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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 22nd October 1860.

No. 364. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th October 1860, No. 4,713:—

Read letter dated 2nd October 1860, No. 977, from the Director of Revenue Settlement submitting a further proposal for increasing the superior agency of the settlement operations.

(In Cons. 4th October 1860, No. 4,982.)

1. Resolved that the letter above recorded, be submitted for the consideration and Orders of Government, in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 14th September 1860, No. 4,170.

2. In the paper just quoted the Board reviewed and supported, among other measures, Mr. Newill's application for the appointment of an Assistant to each of the Deputy Directors, on a salary varying from 300 to 500 Rupees per mensem. The proposition now submitted contemplates an augmentation of this aid.

3. The reason assigned for this increase is the necessity of separating the demarcation from the assessment operations, and the placing of the former under special supervision, with the view of correcting those defects which have been brought to notice, and of ensuring a more efficient and systematic performance of the task for the future.

Paragraph 3 of Board's Proceedings, 14th September 1860, *No.* 4,170.

4. Mr. Newill observes that if the Assistant, already applied for, be detached for the demarcation, the assessment operations will be left as before, under the unaided superintendence of a Deputy Director, who will require assistance in carrying on the classification of soils, a work of very great importance. He, therefore, proposes to appoint a second Assistant on the same salary as the first, to have charge of that branch of the department, and to have a probationary Assistant on a salary of 200 Rupees per mensem, to fill up vacancies as they occur, without impairing the efficiency of the party.

5. The financial effect of the proposed additions, will be an increase of cost per mile to the extent of Rupees 3-1-3 on account of the second Assistant, and of Rupees 1-8-8 on account of the probationary Assistant, thus making the aggregate cost* per mile Rupees 63-14, or Rupees 3 nearly in excess of the rate sanctioned by the Government of India, one half of this, however, it is stated, will be counterbalanced by future reductions in the present Establishment.

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6. It may be urged that the increase thus proposed in the supervising agency should be deferred until the results of better superintendence become apparent, as well as the necessity for its extension; but Mr. Newill attaches great importance, and the Board think rightly, to the immediate adoption of the measure now recommended by him.

7. The progress of the survey will materially depend on the demarcation, while the classification of the land is really one of the most important processes in the assessment. Both operations should consequently be under able and trust-worthy supervision. The advantage of probationary Assistants, in a special department like that of the survey, is self evident.

8. For these reasons the Board resolve to recommend Mr. Newill's propositions to the favorable consideration of Government.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 365. ORDER THEREON, 22nd October 1860, No. 1,931.

1. In these Proceedings the Board of Revenue submit with reference to their recent Proceedings of September 14, No. 4,170, a letter from the Director of Revenue Settlement recommending the still more extended employment of European Agency in the Settlement and Survey Departments, and they give their cordial support to Mr. Newill's proposals.

2. The present scheme is closely connected with the separation of the demarcation and classification, on which subject the Board were recently requested to report,* after conferring with Mr. Newill and the Superintendent of the Revenue Survey. The Government understand that the Board are in close communication with these gentlemen on the subject; and they think it better to defer passing any orders on the present paper pending the receipt of the Board's Report; especially as the discussion now going on may lead to some modification of the plan submitted with the present letter.

* *Order* 21*st September* 1860, *No.* 1,673.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

IN CON. 4TH OCTOBER 1860, No. 4,982.

From H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement,
dated Madras, 2nd October 1860, No. 977.

1. Since the submission on 25th June last, of my proposal for the re-organization of the Settlement establishment and the provision of more European or other first-rate supervision, the urgency of the latter step has been further forced on my consideration.

2. The subsequent proposal also contained in paragraphs 25 to 29 of my letter of 6th September last, No. 849, for separating the Demarcation from the Assessment operations in any new districts to be taken up contemplates that the one Assistant proposed for each party should be detached for the Demarcation, leaving the assessment operations as before under the unaided superintendence of a Deputy Director, who, although he will have much more time for this more important branch of his duty, will nevertheless require aid in the personal superintendence of the classification.

3. I have therefore to request the sanction of Government for entertaining another Assistant under each Deputy, on the same footing as the one contained in my proposal of 25th June last, the average pay being 400 Rupees per mensem or Rupees 4,800 per annum. This on the extended* area to be done by the parties as newly organized, will be equivalent to about Rupees 3-1-3 per square mile.

* 1,560 square miles.

4. Besides this Assistant, it is very desirable that there should be a Probationary Assistant in each party to admit of vacancies being filled up, without impairing the efficiency of the parties. The salary may be Rupees 200 a month, which is equivalent to Rupees 1-8-8 per square mile. This with the provision for the Assistant abovementioned, will be about Rupees 4-9-11 per square mile.

5. To meet this, there is the margin allowed in the revised scale which gives 59¼ Rupees per square mile, while the estimate in the general scheme is 100 acres for 10 Rupees or Rupees 64 per square mile, the difference being Rupees 4-12-0 per square mile.

6. As the supervision of the Assistant is gradually introduced, the pay of the Supervisors may be reduced from 150 to 120 Rupees per mensem, exception being made in the case of one or two present incumbents, who have proved useful and efficient servants, and it is probable also that 8 or 10 classifiers may be reduced, and one or two head classifiers without curtailing the out-turn of work for the season, as the classification when disencumbered of the demarcation will progress more rapidly. This will provide about Rupees 280 to Rupees 300 a month.

7. For some time to come, the Supervisors cannot be dispensed with, and if the check and supervision of the Deputy and his Assistants systematically applied prove effectual, the object will be gained without any more radical change, meanwhile, the introduction of the superior supervision will prepare the way for such, if found necessary on trial, of the present experiment.

Exd. W. Thomas.

Revue Dept.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 22nd October 1860

Read the following Pro-
-ceedings of the Board of
Revenue.

Submitting a letter
from the Director of Revue Settt.
in continuation of the Bds. Pro-
-ceedings of 11th Septr. 1860 No. 4170,
with the reasons of their recommend-
-ation why the further proposal
for increasing the Superior Agency
of the Settlement operations should
be acceeded to.

(Recd. enter 15th Octr./60 No. 4713)

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* order 21 Sept. 1860 No. 1072.

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Defer passing orders on the proposal for increasing the European Agency of the Settlement operations.

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