

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	5	Press
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Dated	4 — 1 — 1860.	

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
for the month of January 1860.*

No. 12. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th December 1859, No. 5258.

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinneveli; to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated 17th November 1859, No. 486.

I have the honor to forward, for the consideration and orders of the Board, copy of a letter from the Master Attendant at Tuticorin, dated the 14th instant, reporting upon the advisability of employing European divers for examining the Pearl banks, and to request that the Ceylon Government may be solicited to allow the services of the European divers employed by them, when they may be required at Tuticorin.

2. I do not mean that the Jadi Talaven should be in any way excluded from the examination of the banks, as the success of all operations must depend mainly on him; but an examination of the banks by European divers may give us some additional information regarding their present condition.

3. Copies of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated the 5th instant, Nos. 4522 and 4523, respecting the building of the boats for guarding the Pearl banks off the coast of Tinneveli, have been forwarded to the Master Attendant at Tuticorin.

Submitted for the orders of Government, with the recommendation of the Board of Revenue that, as suggested by the Master Attendant at Tuticorin and the Collector of Tinneveli, endeavours be made to obtain the services of the Ceylon European divers for examining the Tinneveli Pearl banks when they can be spared by the Ceylon Government.

2. The order of Government, No. 1546, dated 14th November 1859, sanctioning the funds required for the construction of two guard boats, was duly communicated to the Collector of Tinneveli.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Sub-Secretary.*

Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

No. 13. From J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; to the Secretary to the Government of Ceylon, dated 4th January 1860, No. 5.

I am directed to request that the Government of Ceylon will place at the disposal of this Government if they can conveniently be spared, the services of two European divers for the purpose of examining the Pearl banks near Tuticorin. This Government will of course undertake to pay all the expenses of the men while engaged on this duty.

2. Should it be in the power of the Ceylon Government to accede to this request, I am to solicit information as to the remuneration to be paid to the divers, and also as to the time during which they can be spared.

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No 5

To

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Fort St. George
11th Jan'y 1860

Ac. 20th November/57 Re 14th }
by in a letter to King
11th June 1860 p 54

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No. of Govt 10th January.

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To The Secretary to the Govt
of Bengal.

Dated 1st January 1860.

Pro. of the Pro. of Gov. 27
19th January 1860 (Pro. 184.
in Pro. 31/12/14-123)

Applying for the
services of two Europeans
chosen for examining the
Pearl Banks and no
otherwise.

From Colonel Secretary
Colonel 8/31 January 60
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No 12 & 13.