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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 621-622 Press ~~Mis.~~

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Dated 24-4- 1860.

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Read the following letters :—

No. 33. From Captain F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent Revenue Survey, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 20th March 1860, No. 220.

As the subject of the Madras Town Survey is under consideration, this may perhaps be thought a fitting opportunity for me to request sanction for a small Extra Establishment to enable me to carry out the Orders of Government, for testing and examining the work already performed in such localities as may be thought best by the Collector.

2. Of the amount allotted each month for the pay of the Establishment there now remain unexpended Rupees 2,250.

3. This sum has accumulated from fines, stoppages and occasional temporary reductions in the Establishment.

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| 1 | Head Surveyor ... ... ... | Rs. | 50 |
| 2 | Computers ... ... ... | | 35 |
| 1 | Draughtsman ... ... ... | | 30 |
| 6 | Measurers ... ... ... | | 37 |
| | | | 152 |

4. I would, therefore, propose appropriating it to the employment of the small Establishment required, which will be composed as marginally noted.

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No. 34. From Captain F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent Revenue Survey, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 31st March 1860, No. 268.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Memorandum of the 29th instant, No. 140 and in reply to inform you that the period during which the small Extra Establishment for the examination of the work of the Madras Town Survey will be required is uncertain, depending as it does on the degree of error brought to light.

1 Head Surveyor
2 Computers.
1 Draughtsman.
6 Measures.
Rupees 152.

2. As I have no reason, however, to believe that any very grave errors do exist, I beg to propose that the Extra Establishment be sanctioned for six months in the first instance, and that it be retained on the expiration of that time should its continuance be found advisable.

3. That the work performed during six years can be tested by one Surveyor of moderate attainments within the above named time is hardly to be expected; but I shall be better able to form an opinion on the subject after some progress in the examination has been made.

4. Till the Town Survey was placed under my superintendence, it appears that a Peon of the Collector's Establishment used to be in attendance on each of the Surveyors in charge of a Division. The necessity of some such person's presence in the crowded streets of the Presidency to assist the Surveyors when at work has been brought to my notice by Mr. Plumbe, who is at present employed in Black Town. With the permission of Government, I would entertain two more Peons at Rupees 6 each per mensem, to give the Surveyors the aid they require.

5. It will have been observed in the Statement of Mr. Cunliffe and quoted in my letter of the 20th instant, No. 219, paragraph 4, that no provision for contingent charges has yet been made.

6. To meet these charges, which do not appear to have ever been great, I am of opinion, that a monthly allowance of Rupees 20 (i. e., Rupees 10 for each party) will suffice, and beg that sanction be granted to expend that sum for the purpose.

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No. 35. ORDER THEREON, 24th April 1860, No. 621.

Paragraph 1. In these letters the Superintendent of Revenue Survey applies for an extra Establishment for six months for the purpose of testing and examining the work of the Madras Town Survey already performed, with the view of rectifying such inaccuracies as may be found to exist.

2. In his first letter Captain Priestley proposes to appropriate for the employment of this Establishment the sum accumulated from fines, stoppages and temporary reductions in the Town Survey Establishment. This course is irregular, and cannot be sanctioned; the accumulations amounting to Rupees 2,250, should be at once credited to the State.

3. The Honorable the Governor in Council, however, permits the Superintendent to entertain the proposed Establishment for six months, at the monthly charge of Rupees (152) One hundred and fifty-two. At the end of the above period the Superintendent will report the result of the enquiry.

| | Rs. |
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| 1 *Head Surveyor* ... ... ... ... ... ... | 50 |
| 2 *Computers*... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 35 |
| 1 *Draughtsman*... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 30 |
| 6 *Measurers*... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 37 |
| *Total*... | 152 |

4. Sanction is also granted for the empoyment of two Lashkars on a salary of (6) Six Rupees each per mensem, instead of two Peons as proposed by Captain Priestley, for the purpose stated in paragraph 4 of that Officer's letter of 31st March 1860, No. 268.

5. These sanctions will be reported to the Government of India for confirmation.

6. The Government further authorize the disbursement to Captain Priestley of a sum of Rupees (20) Twenty as a permanent advance to meet the Contingent charges of the Madras Town Survey. A bill of expenditure, with the proper vouchers, will be sent to the Civil Auditor every month for audit; and when it is passed, the amount will be drawn by Captain Priestley to replace the sum expended out of the permanent advance.

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

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Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

No. 36. From J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to the Secretary to the Government of India; dated 24th April 1860, No. 622.

Paragraph 1. A Survey of the Madras Collectorate was resolved on by the Government so far back as 1826; but it was not until 1854 that it was systematically commenced. Since that year three divisions of the Town have been taken in hand and completed, viz. Saint Thomé, Nangambákam and Triplicane. At first the work was carried on wholly under the Collector; but this being found unsatisfactory, the superintendence was in 1855 vested in the Deputy Chief Engineer of the Centre Circle, as the best arrangement then practicable. The attention which that Officer was able to give to the work being very slight, the Government in October* 1859, placed the Survey under the Director of Revenue Settlement and Superintendent of Survey, as a part of the General Revenue Survey of this Presidency.

* *Proceedings of Government, 22nd to 31st October* 1859, *Nos.* 82, 83.

2. The latter Officer in his letters, dated 20th and 31st ultimo (copies of which accompany) has applied for an extra Establishment for the purpose of testing and examining the work already performed with the view of rectifying such inaccuracies as may be found to exist. The Government have permitted the Superintendent to entertain this Establishment for six months at the proposed monthly charge of Rupees 152, and have requested to be furnished at the end of that period with a report of the results of its operations. Under the explanation given in paragraph 4 of Captain Priestley's letter of the 31st March, sanction has also been granted for the employment of two Lashkars on a salary of 6 Rupees each per mensem for the purpose there stated.

| | Rs. | A. | P. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 *Head Surveyor*..... | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 *Computers*..... | 35 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 *Draughtsman*..... | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 *Measurers*..... | 37 | 0 | 0 |
| *Total*... | 152 | 0 | 0 |

3. I am directed to report this proceeding for the confirmation of the Government of India.

No. 621. P.D.

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Dated 24th April 1860.

Read the following letters from the Superintendent Revenue Survey—

Solicits sanction for a small extra Establishment at a charge of Rupees 152 per mensem to test and examine the work of the Madras Town survey—

(Here enter 20th March 1860 No. 220)

Requests that the extra establishment may in the first instance be sanctioned for 6 months; applies for two additional peons 6 Rs each a month to assist the surveyors when at work and for a sum of Rs. 20 per mensem to meet contingent charges.

(Here enter 31st March 1860 No. 268)

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Revenue Survey applies for an extra establishment for six months for the purpose of testing and examining the work of the Madras Town Survey already performed with the view of rectifying such inaccuracies

as may be found to exist.

2. ~~The Supt. in his~~ Capt. Priestley in his first letter proposes to appropriate for the employment of this establishment the sum accumulated from fines, stoppages and ~~temporary~~ reductions in the ~~Madras~~ Tank Survey Establishment. This course is irregular and cannot be sanctioned. The accumulations amounting to Rs. 2250 should be at once credited to the State.

3. The A. the Gr. at Madras however permits the Supt. to entertain the proposed establishment for six months, at the ~~proposed~~ monthly charge of Rs. (152) One hundred and fifty two rupees, ~~subject to be granted at the end of the above period the Superintendent report~~ ~~&c~~

| | Rs. |
|---|---|
| 1 Head Surveyor | 50 |
| 2 Computers | 35 |
| 1 Draughtsman | 30 |
| 6 Measurers | 37 |
| Total | 152 |

~~of the result of the enquiry~~

4. Sanction is also granted for the employment of two Canarese ~~of (6) six~~ Peons each per mensem, instead of two Peons as proposed by Capt. Priestley for the purposes stated in para 4 of that Officer's letter of 31st March 1860 No 268.

5. These sanctions will be reported to the Govt of India for confirmation.

6. The Govt further authorize the disbursement to Capt. Priestley of a sum of Rs. (30) Thirty as a permanent advance to meet the contingencies of the Madras Tank Survey & bill of expenditure with the proper vouchers, will be sent to the Civil Audr every month for audit and when it is passed,

the

the amount will be drawn by Capt. Priestley to replace the sum expended out of the permanent advance -

[signature]

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11 " Director of Revenue Settlement &c
11 " Secretaries of Revenue Surveys &c
1 " Accountant Jurisdiction &c
3 " Civil Auditors &c

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No 622.

To the Secretary to the Govt of India.

Sir,

P. A survey of the Madras Collectorate was resolved on by the Govt so far back as 1826; but it was not until 1854 that it was systematically commenced. Since that year three divisions of the town have been taken in hand and completed, viz. St. Thomé, Pangam Bâkam and Triplicane. The superintendance was vested in the Deputy Chief Engr of the Centre Circle,

* At first the work was carried on wholly under the Collector; but this being found unsatisfactory, an Assistant was appointed for the purpose, and subsequently an Officer

the best arrangement then practicable. The attention which that Officer was able to give to the work being very slight, [illegible]

the Govt. in October 1859, placed the Survey under the Director of Revenue Settlement and Land Records of Survey, as a part of the general Survey of the Presidency.—

2. The latter Officer in his letter dated 20th June 31st ultimo, copies of which accompany, has applied for an extra establishment for the purpose of testing and examining the work already performed with the view of ascertaining the accuracies as may be found to exist. He has recommended the appointment of an establishment for this month at the following monthly charge of Rs 652, and has applied for the same to be sanctioned with the

| | Rs |
|---|---|
| 1 Head Surveyor | 50 |
| 2 Computers | 35 |
| 1 Draughtsman | 30 |
| 6 Measurers | 37 |
| Total | 152 |

+ Proceedings of Govt. 22nd & 31st Octr. 1859 Nos 82. 83.

and of that Officer, together with a report of the results of its operations. Under the explanation given in para 6 of Captn Priestley's letter of the 31st March, sanction has also been granted for the employment of two Surveyors on a salary of 6 Rs each per mensem for the purpose therein stated.

3 I am directed to report this proceeding, which is submitted for the confirmation of the Govt of India.

Fort St George
24th April 1860

Revenue 1860 Sept.
Pros. of Govt. 30th April.

No 622.

To
The Secretary to the
Govt. of India.
Dy 24: April 1860.

From Do Do 31st May 60
C. No 1244 in Com. 30 June
No 202-803.

Reporting the sanction of this Govt. to an Extra Establishment to test and examine the work of the Madras Towns Survey.

No 26.

Revenue 1860 Despatch
Pro: of Govt 30th April 8.

No 621

Pro: of the Madras Govt
Dy. 24th April 1860.

Copy to the Govt Madras
D/24-4-1860 No 622

From Director of Rev Settlement
D/24th April/60 C. No 856. with Copy
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From Director of Rev Settlt D/21st March
C. No 679

Sanctioning an extra Establishment to test and examine the work of the Mundrass Zemin Survey and the employment of 2 additional Surveyors to assist the Surveyors when at work and authorizing the disbursement to Captain Priestley of Rs 20 as a permanent allowance to meet Contingent charges.

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