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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 905 Press Mis.

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Dated 1-6- 1860.

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No. 8. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 7th May 1860, No. 440.

In their Orders of 17th November last, No. 1,564, the Government granted discretionary authority to the Officers at the head of the Godavery and Krishna Survey parties, to spend a sum not exceeding Rupees 300 a month in hiring Coolies when a sufficient number of village Vettiyáns were not forthcoming, and in batta to such Vettiyáns as might be employed. In the scheme for the enlargement of these parties it was proposed to increase this sum to Rupees 450 per mensem ; but as in the Orders of Government approving of it, the Collectors of these Districts were not authorized to make advances at the increased rate, the Survey Officers have not yet drawn them at this rate. The Superintendent of Revenue Survey further represents that in consequence of the pre-audit system, the daily payments made to the Coolies and Vettiyáns out of the advances received by the Survey Officers are not recovered from the Collector's Treasury until a greater portion of the month subsequent to that in which they have been made has elapsed, they are frequently seriously inconvenienced from the want of the necessary funds to meet current expenses. Captain Priestley recommends that the Collectors of the Godavery and Krishna Districts may be authorized to advance to the heads of the Survey parties there, an amount equal to two months expenditure instead of one, sanctioned for the payment of Cooli labor, viz., Rupees 900, so that there may be always sufficient funds available in the hands of the Survey Officers.

Dated 28th December 1859, No. 1,779.

Letter dated 27th March, No. 246.

2. He also recommends that these Officers should be permitted to draw from the Collector's Treasury on their receipts and responsibility immediately after the close of each month, the amount of the pay of the extra Measurers employed under them, the sums so drawn being adjusted on the receipt of the audited abstract. The delay that occurs in disbursing the salaries of the Measurers under the present system is represented as causing discontent and hardship, as the men have been accustomed to work for daily hire and find it very inconvenient, not to say impossible, to remain for lengthened periods without their pay.

3. I beg to recommend the above proposals to the favorable consideration of Government.

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 1st June 1860, No. 905.

1. Under the circumstances stated in paragraph 1 of this letter the Government authorize the Collectors of the Godavery and Krishna Districts to place in the hands of the Heads of the Survey parties in those Districts a sum of Rupees Six hundred as a permanent advance to meet the payments for Cooli labor. Bills will be sent to the Civil Auditor for the actual expenditure of each month ; and on the Bill being passed, the amount will be drawn and the outlay from the advance will be replaced.

2. This Order cancels that of the 17th November 1859, No. 1,564, authorizing an advance of Rupees 300 a month to each of the Survey Superintendents above mentioned.

3. The heads of the Survey Department in the same Districts are also authorized to draw from the Collector's Treasury on their own receipt and responsibility, immediately after the close of each month, the amount of the pay of the extra Measurers employed under them during the month, the sums so drawn being adjusted on the receipt of the audited abstract.

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

Rev. Dept.

No. 1905

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 1st June 1860.

Read the following

Letter from the Director of

Revenue Settlement &c.

Recommending that the Collrs of the Godavery and Kristna Districts be authorized to advance to the Heads of the Survey parties there an Amount equal to 2 months expenditure on account of one Mile Linnel for the payment by Cooly labor, and that those Officers be permitted to draw from the Collrs Treasury the Amount of the pay of the extra Measurers employed under them, the sums being adjusted on the receipt of the Mile Abstract.

(Here enter 7th May 1860 No. 440)

Under the circumstances stated in para 1 of this letter the Government authorize the Collectors of the Godavery and Kristna Districts to place in the hands of the Heads of the survey parties in those Districts a sum of Rupees six hundred as a permanent advance to meet the payment for

for Kuli labor. Bills will be sent to the Civil Auditor for the actual expenditure of each month; and on the Bill being passed, the amount will be drawn and the outlay from the advance will be replaced.

3. The Heads of the Survey department in the same Districts are also authorized to draw from the Collector's Treasury on their own receipt and responsibility immediately after the close of each month the amount of the pay of the extra measurers employed during the month, under them the sums so drawn being adjusted on the receipt of the audited abstract.

2 This order cancels that of the 17th November 1859 at 4564, authorizing an advance of Rupees 300 a month to each of the Survey Supts above mentioned.

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Collectors of the
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of the heads of the survey
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