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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from C. Pelly, Esq., Member of the Board of Revenue, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 27th March 1860, No. 232:—

After I had submitted my Report* to Government for the re-arrangement of the Táluqs of Nellore District, I learnt that the Acting Collector, Mr. Dykes, took exception to the proposition alluded to in paragraph 6 of uniting the ninety-six villages of the Dúpád Táluq, in the Kurnool District, with the Táluq of Udayagiri which he thought would be a very inconvenient arrangement. I have since been in communication with Mr. Dykes on the subject, and I have now the honor to submit another arrangement for the Táluqs of that Collectorate, founded on that gentleman's strong recommendation. My former letter may, therefore, if you please, be cancelled and this substituted in its place.

* *Dated 20th January* 1860, *No.* 169.

Note.—There are only ninety-six villages, it seems, see Memorandum No. 4, in letter from Collector, Kurnool, dated 2nd November 1859.

2. The detached villages of the Dúpád Táluq were alluded to in my Report on the Kurnool Táluqs. They are scattered, it seems, among the villages chiefly of the Venkatagiri Zamíndári, though the Map is not very accurately drawn. They should, I think, be transferred from the Kurnool to the Nellore District, but there is considerable difficulty in conveniently embodying them with any of the Government Táluqs of Nellore, and after due consideration, I beg to submit Mr. Dykes' recommendation, that these ninety-six villages be formed into a separate Revenue Táluq, the Tahsíldár of which would have Magisterial jurisdiction also of a large part of the Venkatagiri Zamíndári adjacent. The revenue of these villages is not given by Mr. Dykes, but it appears to amount to only Rs. 42,488 and the population to 44,855, as given by the Collector of Kurnool. This is indeed a very small revenue Táluq and so is the Udayagiri Táluq immediately adjoining, the revenue of which, with the portion of Kaligiri Táluq, which it is proposed to annex to it, is only 78,822 Rupees. But the intervening Zamíndári presents a more economical and at the same time satisfactory arrangement. But the Tahsíldár will have a large Magisterial charge, which may extend over the whole of the Calastri Zamíndári, which may then be included as part of the Táluq, as shown by my blue dotted line; or the Magisterial charge may be divided between Udayagiri and Kanigiri as shown by Mr. Dykes' vermilian line, which will be determined hereafter.

To Government, dated 29th December 1859, *No.* 144, *paragraphs* 11 *&* 12.

See Statement No. 4, in letter from Collector, Kurnool, dated 2nd November 1859.

3. Mr. Dykes, with a view of enlarging the Udayagiri Táluq proposes to extend its border eastward, and to include part of the Kaligiri Táluq, which he says will be a much more convenient arrangement than embodying that Táluq wholly with Kávali. This has been done,

From Acting Collector, 9th March 1860, *No.* 31, *paragraph* 8.

4. The District at present consists of seventeen Táluqs, and in these are not included the ninety-six villages of Dúpád, which have never yet been transferred as ordered by Government.† Mr. Elton, the late Collector proposed ten new Táluqs, and in this arrangement many Táluqs were sub-divided, I am decidedly of opinion that eight Táluqs would be a very fair allowance for the District, were it not for the incon-

† *Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 10th May* 1856.

veniently situated villages of Dúpád; but with these in addition, I beg to propose that the following nine Tàluqs form the future arrangement of the District:—

No.	Táluqs.	Of what Táluqs composed.	Area.	Population.	Revenue.	Remarks.
1	Gudúr	Kóta and Sarvapalli	588	72,999	1,67,258	
2	Rápúr	Gundavól, Saidápúr and Tummalatapúr.	590	48,786	99,530	
3	Nellore	Sangam ½ East, Talamanchi and Nellore	610	136,300	3,50,183	
4	Révúr	Révúr and Sangam ½ West	518	57,702	1,44,972	
5	Udayagiri	Udayagiri 534, part of Kaligiri 180 and all Calastri Zamíndári 478	*1,192	77,287	78,822	* Govt. 714, Zamíndári 478 — 1,192
6	Kávali	Kávali and part of Kaligiri	646	47,778	1,10,477	
7	Kundukúr	Dévagúdur, Baddepúdi and Súndi Zamíndári villages	†771	94,830	1,89,444	† 254 miles in Súndi Zamíndári.
8	Ongole	Chendalúr, Inamana, Mellúr and Ongole.	600	1,47,652	2,38,736	
9	Kanigiri	Dúpád villages and detached Zamíndári villages	‡709	79,955	42,488	‡ Government area 340, Zamíndári 369 — 709
	Venkatagiri. Polur	Zemíndári	442	28,525		
	Kayur		456¼	68,824		
	Podili		631	41,777		
	Darsi		588	56,008		
			8,341½	958,423	14,21,910	

NOTE.—In the area of Government Táluqs is included such parts of Zemíndárí as are mixed up with the Government villages. The table may require some correction when the boundaries are ascertained and more correctly entered on the Map which the Collector will have done.

5. To avoid confusion, I have endeavoured to color the Map, (which originally showed Mr. Elton's ten Táluqs in different colors,) so as to exhibit more clearly the nine Táluqs now recommended. The boundaries of the old seventeen Táluqs may be traced by the dark red lines in the Map.

Marked off also by a blue o—o—*line.*

6. The names given to the Táluqs are the names of the Kasba stations generally. I have selected Rápúr as the Kasba of the combined Táluqs of Saidápúr, Gundavól and Tammalatapúr, because Mr. Dykes recommends it as the most suitable locality for the present, though he mentions the probability of a large Tank being made towards the centre of the new Táluq, which probably hereafter would be the best locality for a Kasba. Révúr is not now, though it was formerly, the Kasba of the Táluq, and the Táluq is well known by that name. The present Kasba is Dévaráyapalli; but Mr. Dykes says it is not a desirable locality and thinks it probable that it will be necessary to change it to Munalúr or Cummapád; under these circumstances it would not be expedient at present to change the name of that Táluq.

Letter 21st March 1860, *No.* 33, *paragraph* 2.

7. The new Kanigiri Táluq takes its name from a village in the north part, but if the arrangement of this separate Táluq is approved of, a better locality more central might perhaps be found.

8. In the new Táluq of Kundukúr is included the Zamíndári of Súndi. The Zamíndári of Venkatagiri lies on the north and south of the District and is not included, with the exception of a few villages, in any Táluq, as may be seem in the Map; it is colored dark green.

9. There are eight Police Divisions now in the District into which the Zamíndáris are divided, two of these will be absorbed and placed under the charge of the Udayagiri and Kanigiri Tahsíldárs; that of Súndi has been embodied with the Táluq of Kundukúr. There remain five more, viz., two for the northern and three for the southern Zamíndári of Venkatagiri. Mr. Dykes suggests some arrangements for the future charge of these Divisions, but as he does not speak with confidence and is disposed to postpone making any recommendation on the subject, until he has conferred with the Inspector General of Mufassal Police, they need not be noticed further in this place.

Letter 9th March 1860, *No.* 31, *paragraphs* 9, 10, 11 *and* 12.

10. But he makes a suggestion (paragraph 12) for placing thirteen villages at the extreme south of the present Kóta and new Gúdúr Táluq under the charge of the Magisterial Officer who may be in charge of the Zamíndári duties in that direction, with permission to these villages to pay their kists into the Salt Treasury at Dúrgarájapattnam. This may be a convenient arrangement and can be considered when the Táluq arrangements are finally carried out.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1860, No. 913.

1. In this letter Mr. Pelly submits revised proposals for the re-arrangement of the Táluqs of the Nellore District; he requests that his former letter of the 20th January may be cancelled, and it will accordingly be struck off the register in the Government Office, and returned to him.

2. The Nellore District now contains seventeen Government Táluqs, besides large Zamíndári tracts. The average land revenne of the Government Táluqs is only 81,000 Rupees; and the average area 270 square miles; the Táluqs are therefore generally very small. A satisfactory re-arrangement of them, however, is not easy, by reason of the Zamíndári tracts mingling with the Government Táluqs. The District is long and narrow, stretching north and south along the Sea-coast for about 160 miles, with a pretty uniform breadth of about 60 miles. The large Zamíndári of Venkatagiri, having an area on the whole of about 2,100 square miles, is divided into three parts, of which one occupies the north-west of the District and a second the extreme south; while the third, less extensive than either of these, occupies a position in the west centre. This last adjoins the Pamúr Pargana of the Calastri Zamíndári, the main body of which extensive property lies far to the south in the North Arcot District. There is also the Zamíndári of Súndi, of comparatively small extent.

3. Another complication is that ninety-seven villages hitherto belonging to the Dúpád Táluq of the Kurnool District, are intermingled with the villages of the third of the above-mentioned portions of the Venkatagiri Zamíndári, which constitutes what is called the Gógalapalli Police Division. Those villages are separated, some of them many miles, from the Táluq to which they have hitherto belonged; but are so surrounded by Zamíndári villages that they cannot be conveniently annexed to any Government Táluq of Nellore. Several years ago, the Government ordered that these villages should be transferred to the Nellore District;* but in consequence of that difficulty the Order has never taken effect.

* *Order dated* 10*th May* 1856, *No.* 482.

4. The arrangement now proposed by Mr. Pelly, after repeated communication with the Collector, and with the concurrence of that gentleman, appears the best that the circumstances admit. It is proposed to distribute the present seventeen Táluqs into eight, varying in size from 482 to 610 square miles; and in land revenue from 79,000 to 3,50,000 Rupees. This plan involves the partition of only two of the present Táluqs; viz., Sangam, which is to be almost equally divided between the new Táluqs of Nellore and Révúr; and Kanigiri of which the most westerly villages are to go to Udayagiri, while the great bulk of the Táluq is added to Kavali.

5. The ninety-seven Dúpad villages above referred to are to be formed into a separate Táluq making nine in all. This last Táluq will have a very small revenue, only about 43,000 Rupees; but the villages are much scattered, and, as already said, there is no Government Táluq to which they could be conveniently united. To make up for the small area and revenue of this Táluq it is proposed to add to it the Magisterial jurisdiction of the Gógalapalli Police Division of the Venkatagiri Zamíndári; the Kasba being still Kanigiri which, with reference to paragraph 7 of Mr. Pelly's letter, the Government consider to be well situated as respects the whole united charge. In like manner the Pamúr Pargana, which also has hitherto formed a separate Police Division, is proposed to be added to Udayagiri Táluq, which is likewise small by itself and yet incapable of being conveniently added to any other Táluq. A few outlying villages

of Pamúr are to be added to Cávali Táluq, as respects Police and Magisterial jurisdiction. A fourth small detached piece of Venkatagiri, running up from the coast to the town of Ongole, is to be added in the same manner to the Táluq of that name; and the entire Zamíndári of Súndi is to be similarly added to the Táluq of Kundukur.

6. The Government approve and sanction the arrangements above detailed. The Táluqs will then be as follows:—

Táluqs.	Kasbas.	Area in square miles.			
		Government Táluqs.	Zamíndári.	Total.	Land Revenue of Govt. Táluqs.
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9 Kanigiri.	Kanigiri ...	340	369	709	42,488
	Total.....	5,123	1,101	6,224	14,21,910

Some of the Kasbas however have not yet been finally settled, (paragraph 6) and Mr. Pelly will report again on that subject.

7. As respects the Zamíndári Police Divisions not included in the foregoing arrangements, and at present being five in number, the Government defer passing Orders till they shall have before them the Report which Mr. Pelly proposes to submit, after conferring with the Commissioner of Mufassal Police.

Paragraph 9.

(True Extract.)

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

To C. Pelly, Esq.
To the Board of Revenue.
,, Inám Commissioner.
,, Commissioner of Mufassal Police.
,, Chief Engineer.

Exd. Wm. Thomas.

Rev. Dept.

No. 913

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 2nd June 1860.

Read the following letter
from C. Pelly Esqre Member
of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting another proposition for the re-arrangement of the Talugs of the Nellore District based on the strong recommendation of the Collector.

(Here enter 27th March 1860 No. 232.)

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