

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.**Government of Madras.***Revenue* **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th February 1861.*

No. 383. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th February 1861, No. 704 :—

Read the following letter from V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated 16th January 1861, No. 4.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. 47, dated 5th January, I have the honor to report that I have associated with myself Mr. Fletcher and the Shivaganga Zamindar's Manager for the purpose of working the Income Tax, and that as long as they render me the willing assistance they do now, I do not want the assistance of either Ram Row, the Acting Head Assistant, or any other person in the Zamindari nor any further Establishment.

2. I was wrong in quoting Act XXXVI in my letter of the 21st November 1860, No. 238, to the Board. I alluded to the intended Licensing Act. If that is passed it will be absolutely necessary to have a Deputy Collector in the Zamindari who could then do its Magisterial work, Income Tax work, and License Tax, Jamabandi and attend to the collections to be made under it, and I still think in that case that the arrangements I proposed in my above letter would be the best and most economical. It is absolutely necessary there should be a Magistrate in the Zamindari: at present the Magistrate under whom it is located at Ramnad, which is distant 20 miles from its nearest boundary, and from that point the Zamindari extends to a distance of 60 miles. This arrangement ensures almost a positive denial of any means of redress to many of the people.

3. I enclose copy of a letter from Mr. Hayes on the subject of an Establishment for working the Income Tax in the Ramnad Zamindari. He is really overworked at present, but I do not think he requires the Establishment he seeks; if his work is confined to that Zamindari the one Clerk I recommended will be sufficient. Of course just at first as the returns come in there is a press of work, but as soon as the assessments and abstracts are made nothing more remains but to look after the collections; but what Mr. Hayes says in paragraph 5 about the difficulty of serving the Forms on parties liable, I fully assent to, and of making the necessary demands on parties who have not paid up their instalments. I find that the payers as a rule, will not make their payments, and that it becomes necessary to send round Peons or Gumasthas with a receipt ready made out for the sum due, and my experience is that the amount is at once paid. Peons must be employed to serve the forms and to take notices to those who have not rendered their returns. I recommended that Mr. Hayes should have three Peons for this purpose, and I think that he should have them and that they will not be sufficient—he should have at least four more—but if the Government are not disposed to sanction their entertainment, it will be necessary to employ Batta Peons for that purpose to be paid so much per mile travelled, to be adjusted by Contingent bills. If that is not done the work of collection and issuing notices will be seriously retarded, as in the Zamindaris it is next to impossible to get any Government work out of the Curnums or Cavilgars.

* In Consultation 26th December 1860. † In Consultation 26th November 1860. ‡ 1 Writer..... 3 Peons..... Total...	RS. 35 15 — 50 —	1. Ordered to be submitted to Government, in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 4th December 1860, No. 5,670, disposed of in the Proceedings of Government, dated 24th* idem, No. 2,506, Revenue Department and with the Board's recommendation that the Collector be authorized to employ an Establishment as proposed in his letter of 21st† November 1860, paragraph 14, and as shown in the margin‡ under the Deputy Collector in charge of the Ramnad Zamindari for the purposes of the Income Tax, at a total monthly charge of Rupees 50.
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2. It will be time enough to consider the arrangements required in the Shivaganga Zamindari in connection with the measure for Licensing Trades, when the Draft bill shall have been passed into Law.

3. The Collector should instruct Mr. Hayes to intimate to the Chetties that if they wish to be assessed to the Income Tax by Panchayat, they should make an application accordingly.

(A True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, Sub-Secretary.

No. 334.

ORDER THEREON, 26th February 1861, No. 449.

The Governor in Council is pleased to sanction the entertainment of the Establishment proposed by the Board in the foregoing Proceedings at a monthly charge of Rupees 50-0-0 for the purpose of enabling the Deputy Collector in charge of the Ramnad Zamindari to accomplish the work connected with the Income Tax.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

Revenue Dept.

No. 449

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 26th Febry 1861

*Read the following Proceed-
ings of the Board of Revenue*

*Submitting a letter from
the Collr of Madurai in con-
tinuation of the Board's Progs
dated 11th December 1860 & with
their recommendation that
the Collector be authorized to (Here enter 8th Febry 1861 at 10th p.m.)
employ certain establishment
under the Deputy Collr in charge
of the Ramnad Zamindari
for the purposes of the Income
Tax Act at a total monthly
charge of Rupees 50.*

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sanction the entertainment
of the Establishment pro-
posed by the Board in the
foregoing Proceedings at a
monthly charge of Rs. 50-0-0
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the Deputy Collector in charge
of the Ramnad Zamindari
to accomplish the work con-
nected with the Income Tax.

C. S. M.

[Signature]

- 13 Copies. Board of Revenue, C. S. M. 27
- 3 " Accountant General "
- 3 " Chief Auditor "

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Estab^d for carrying out the
provisions of the Income
Tax Act in the Shingunga
Zamindari.

Revenue 1881-82 and 18
No: of Govt for February

1874-9.

No: of Mr. Allard's Govt.
26-February/61.

No: of Mr. 1881-82 of 1881-82/14
1881/14 1881/18 in No.

Concerning the
proposed Establishment
for the purpose of making
the 1881-82. All in charge of
the 1881-82. Zamindari
to accomplish the work
connected with the Revenue
tax.