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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 22nd May 1862.

No. 409. Read the following letter from C. BERNARD, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, 31st March 1862, No. 2,316:—

SIR,

I am directed to forward to you a copy of two letters, marginally noted, from the Officiating Civil Paymaster Madras, and to request, with reference to the question raised by that Officer, that you will have the goodness to report for the information of his Excellency the Governor General in Council how the practice arose of allowing service in Zamíndári Estates under the Court of Wards at Madras to reckon as service towards superannuation pension.

No. 81, dated 14th February 1862.
„ 98, dated 24th „ „

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No. 410. From J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated 22nd May 1862, No. 1,132:—

SIR,

1. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Under Secretary C. Bernard's letter of 31st March 1862, No. 2,316, enquiring how the practice arose of allowing service in Zamíndári Estates under the Court of Wards at Madras to reckon as service towards superannuation pension.

2. In reply, I am directed to state that the practice originated in the Order of Government dated 28th August 1856, No. 202, Public Department, copy of which (as appears from the papers forwarded with your letter under reply) has been laid before the Government of India by the Civil Paymaster. It was therein pointed out that employment under the Court of Wards is the same as under Government, the Collector who is always the Agent of the Court being at liberty to employ any public servant he pleases upon the responsible duties of management.

3. The case of the Estates of Minors is a trust voluntarily assumed by Government, and for its due fulfilment it is desirable that Collectors should not be restricted in their choice of agents, to persons not in the service of the State. This however would be the result if employment in private Estates under the Court of Wards were not allowed to reckon towards pension, for it cannot be expected that persons in the employ of Government would readily sacrifice their past services, and the pension to which they look forward for support in their old age. Collectors would thus be debarred from procuring the assistance of the very men whose training, experience and known character render them peculiarly valuable agents.

4. It must be recollected that there is much uncertainty in employment in the Estates of Minors, for when the management of the Court of Wards terminates, the persons employed by them are entirely at the mercy of the proprietor. These disadvantages may be counterbalanced by higher pay than is ordinarily given by Government, but the incitement to good conduct which the prospect of a pension undoubtedly affords would be lost.

5. It may be said that the Madras system involves the anomaly of the State rewarding services rendered not to it but to private individuals, but the expense cannot be great, and it must be borne in mind that Government levy a commission of 1½ per cent. for the management of the Estates of Minors, besides charging them with all expenses incurred in their administration.

6. I am to add that pensions are not granted to persons whose whole course of service has been in Estates under the Court of Wards. It is only where a person already in Government employ is selected for such duties that his services in such Estates are allowed to reckon towards pension.

General Department. No. 81

From

W. J. Raynor, Esquire
Offg. Civil Pay-Master,

To

C. H. Lushington, Esquire
Financial Secretary to the
Government of India
Fort William.

Sir,

I have the honor to solicit instructions as to whether service in Zemindary Estates under the Court of Wards, reckons towards Superannuation Pension.

2. Such service is admitted in this Presidency under an order of the Madras Government No. 202 dated 28th August 1856, copy of which is annexed for the information of the Supreme Government.

Civil Pay-Master's Office,
Fort Saint George.
14th February 1862.

I have the honor to be, &c.
(Signed) W. J. Raynor
Offg. Civil Pay-Master

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Public Department Separate

No. 202

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation.
Dated 28th August 1856.
Read the following letters.

From the Collector of Madura, Here enter 27th May 1856
From the Civil Auditor —"— —"— 1st August —"—

In

1.- In the above letter, the Collector of Madura applies for the grant of a Superannuation Pension to Vencatasiwara Iyer, Revenue Royasum in Madacolum Taluk in his District.- This individual is reported to have served under the Government for upwards of 35 years, of which only 24 years are admissible under the rules, the remaining period viz: 11 years having been passed in a situation the salary of which was 3½ Rs.- He had also served in the Shevagunga Zemindary under the Court of Wards, for a period of 2 years and 7 months.- This latter period, the Collector has excluded from the term of the applicants service apparently under the impression that it does not confer a claim to a pension from the Govt.-

2. But the Right Honorable the Governor in Council observes that employment under the Court of Wards is the same as under Government.- The Collector being always the Agent of the Court of Wards is at liberty to employ any public Servant he pleases upon the responsible duties of management.- Accordingly in all cases in which a Public Servant, already on the permanent Estabtishment, may have been employed by the Collector, as Agent under the Court of Wards, the period during which he has been so employed will be allowed to count as service entitling him to Pension.-

3. Resolved therefore that a Pension of Rs (9) nine per mensem, being one third of his average salary for the last five years of his service, inclusive of that under the Court of Wards be granted to Vencatasiwara Iyer and that a Certificate be issued making the same payable from the 1st May 1855 the date entered in the Register.-

Age.	Period of Service.	Average salary for the last five years of service.	Abstract of the grounds of application
Yrs. Mos. Ds	Yrs. Mos. Ds	Rs. As. P.	
58-4--	26-7-17.	26-1-1.	Infirmities of old age.

(Sd) G. N. Taylor

Ordered that paras 1 & 2 of the foregoing Resolution be furnished to the Board of Revenue for communication to all Collectors for their information and guidance.-

(Signed) G. N. Taylor
Actg. Dy. Secy. to Govt.-

To The Civil Auditor

(True Copy)
(Signed) W. Donald
Head Asst. to Civil Pay-Master

Civil Pay-Master's Office
Fort Saint George.
No. 98 the 24th February 1862.-

From
W. J. Raynor, Esquire,
Offg Civil Pay-Master,
Madras.

To
C. H. Lushington, Esquire,
Financial Secy. to the Govt of India,
Fort William.

Sir

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 81 of the 14th Instant, I have the honor to annex copies of further papers as per margin, under which employment in attached Fc Estates and as a Servant paid from the Devastánum Revenue while under Government management, is reckoned as service towards pension.-

- From Civil Auditor to Government (Madras) dy 6th Janry 1857 No. 2302
- Order thereon dy 27th Janry 1857 No. 17 S. R. Dept.
- From Civil Auditor to Government (Madras) dy 15th April 1850 No. 9
- Order thereon dy 9th August 1850 No. 194 R. Dept.

* The produce or rent of Pagoda Inam lands, placed by Government under the management of men appointed by them for that special duty.-

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) W. J. Raynor
Offg Civil Pay Master.

General Department

Pension Department

No. 2302.

Report of the Civil Auditor on the order of Government of the 18th December last, S. Public Department, referring to him an application on behalf of Goondapah, the Head Seristadar on the Establishment of the Collector of Tanjore for the purpose of verifying his alleged service.-

The Civil Auditor has the honor to report, that the authorized official allowance of Goondapah, the Head Seristadar on the Establishment of the Collector of Tanjore for the last five years of his service is Rupees 360 per mensem; and that his service under the Government embraces a period of 31 years, 10 months and 25 days viz: from 16th November 1820 to 31st July 1825 and from 1st May 1826 to 19th April 1827, and from 8th February 1830 to 30th April 1856 up to which date only Returns from Officers have been received.-

* or Rupees 580-580-68 calculated up to 31st December 1856 32 yrs 6 mos 25 days.-

2. The service of Goondapah from 1st August 1825 to 30th April 1826, making a period of 9 months is inadmissible in the service towards a pension, as his salary was defrayed out of fines and other stoppages from the salaries of Public Servants. But the service from 20th April 1827 to 7th February 1830, making a period of 2 years + 9 months and 19 days, during which time, as stated, Goondapah's salary was paid from the Devastanum Fund, may be considered eligible as service entitling to pension, as the Government would appear from previous cases of a similar kind to regard such service as admissible in the period reckoning for a pension.- Vide para. 2 of Civil Auditor's letter dated 15th April 1850, regarding the application for a pension in behalf of Dasapyah, and Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 9th August 1850 No. 194 Separate Public Department.- para: 2 of Civil Auditor's letter of 18th February 1853, regarding the application for a pension in behalf of Venkat Row, and Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 20th March 1853, No. 57 Separate Public Department and para: 2 of Civil Auditor's letter of 23d February 1853, regarding the application for a pension in

Copies of the Reports in the two latter cases are not sent as they are similar to that in regard to Dasapyah.-
(Mr) W.D.

in behalf of Streenevasa Row and Extract Minute of Consultation dated 4th March 1853, No. 62, Separate Public Department. Should the Government be pleased to include the above period of 2 years 9 months and 19 days in the service entitling Goondapah to a pension, his service reckoned up to 31st December 1856, will then amount to 36 years, 3 months and 14 days.

Civil Auditor's Office.
Fort Saint George.
6th January 1857.

(Signed) F. Lushington
Civil Auditor.

To The Chief Secretary to Government.

No. 17 S. P. D.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation.
Dated 21st January 1857.

Read the following papers.

From the Acting Collector of Tanjore submits an application for a superannuation pension to Goondapah Head Sheristadar of his District — Here enter 12th December 1856.

From —— Do. —— Do. —— Do. —— " —— 18th —— "

From the Civil Auditor

Report on the Service of Goondapah — " — 6th Janry 1857

Extract Minutes of Consultation in the Financial Department — " — 22nd — Do.

Resolved that a Superannuation Pension of Rupees 290-0-0 (Two Hundred and ninety) per mensem

Age.	Period of Service.	Average Salary for the last five years of service	Abstract of grounds of application.
yrs Ms Dys	yrs mos days	Rs. As. P.	
54-2-0	35-3-14	580-6-8	Impaired vision.

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be granted to Goondapah, and that a Certificate be issued making the same payable through the Taluk Treasury at Combaconum from the 1st January 1857, the date from which he ceased to be employed.

(Sd.) D. F. Carmichael
Dy. Secy. to Govt.

To The Civil Auditor.

No. 93

To
Sir H. C. Montgomery Baronet
Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

In returning the original communication and its enclosures received with the order of Government in the Public Department No. 262 dated 10th November last, I have the honor to report for the information of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, that Dasapyah, the Deputy Tehsildar of the Codavasel Taluk, on the Establishment of the Collector of Tanjore, appears from the monthly and annual lists of Establishment furnished to this Office to have been first entertained in employ on the 1st January 1824 from which date his name appears as follows: viz:-

	Yrs	Ms	Days
As Post Office Writer from 1st Janry 1824 to 15th April 1825 is	1	3	15.
" Do. Do. " 1st Octr 1825 to 31st Decr 1826	1	3	0.
" English Writer in the Huzzoor Cutcherry from 30th April 1830 to 30th April 1846	16	0	1.
" Deputy Tehsildar in the Codavasel Taluk from 30th April 1848 to 30th April 1849	1	0	1.
Making a total of years	19	6	17.

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2. With reference to the following broken and intermediate periods of alleged service of Dasapyah, which are taken from the detailed Statement of his service given in Mr Bishop's letter of the 1st November, I beg to state, that I am unable to verify them in consequence of Dasapyah's name not appearing in the monthly and annual lists for the periods of his service as Davastanum Sumpretty and as Manager, on the Estatelishment of the late Rj Vertaup Sing Gee at Madiarjenum while that Rinces affairs were under Circar management; and from the names not being given in the monthly lists of Establishment furnished to this Office from the Tanjore Collectorate, for the other periods.

As English Writer from 16th April to 30th Septr 1825 is —"— 5—15
" Davastanum Sumpretty from 10th October 1827 to 31st August 1829 — 1—10—22
" English Writer from 1st September 1829 to 29th April 1830 —"— 7—29
" —Do.— —Do.— from 1st May to 30th November 1846 —"— 7—"
" Manager in the Estatelishment of the late of Rj Vertaup Sing Gee at Madiarjenum from 1st December 1846 to 25th August 1847 —"— 8—25
" Deputy Tehsildar from 1st December 1847 to 29th April 1848 —"— 4—2
" —Do.— —Do.— from 1st May to 31st Octr 1849 —"— 6—"

Total years: 5—3—

3. In consequence of Dasapyah having filled various situations on different rates of pay during the last five years of his service as appears from Mr Bishop's letter which accompanies, and his name not being shewn in the lists furnished to this Office for the periods mentioned in the last paragraph, I regret I am unable to verify the average of his salary for the last five years.

I have &c.
(Signed) A. J. Bruce
Civil Auditor.

Civil Auditor's Office,
Fort Saint George
15th April 1850.

Public Department
No 194

Extract

Read again letters from the Collector of Tanjore and Civil Auditor dated 1st November 1849 and 23d May and 15th April 1850.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Tanjore.

Informing that the portion of the services of Dasapyah Deputy Tehsildar of Codavasel Talook which the Audit Office is unable to verify is supported by Records

Para: 1 Resolved that a Superannuation Pension of Rupees (10) Ten per mensem be granted to Dasapyah subject to confirmation after twelve months, on the

Age	Period of Service	Average salary for the last five years of service	Abstract of the grounds of application
yrs. mos. D. 46 7 0	verified by Mr. Asst. to the Civil Auditor up to 30th April 1849 19-6-17 Do. by the Collector of Tanjore — 5-3-— 24-9-17	As. As. P. 35—0—2½	Loss of vision.

the report of a Medical Committee before whom he will be then required to appear; his appointment in the meantime being only temporarily filled up.-

2. The Collector of Tanjore will be pleased to report the date on which Dasapyah ceased to be employed, to enable this Office to issue the necessary Pension Certificate in his behalf.- He will also, at the expiration of twelve months place himself in communication with the Medical Board, in view to its being ascertained and reported, whether Dasapyah is from protracted ill health, loss of sight or other bodily or mental infirmity permanently disqualified for service and forward to that Board the Certificate of the party for transmission to Government with the report of the Medical Committee on his case.

9th Augt 1850

(A True Extract)
(Signed) J. D. Sim.
Actg. Dy. Secy. to Govt.

To
The Civil Auditor

(True Copies)
(Signed) W. Donald
Hd. Asstt. to Civil Pay Master

(True Copies)

C Bernard
Under Secy to the Govt. of India

Revenue Department

No. 1132.

To

The Secretary to the Govt
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3 Copies
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Fort St. George
22d. May 1862.

Regarding the question of the Agents employed in Zamindaree Estates

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To
The Secretary to the
Government of India
Dated 22d May 1862.

Pro. of the Govt of India in the F. D. of 8 Septr 62
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Com Dept 16 Pg 45-46.

Letter to Government of India explaining how the practice arose of allowing service in Zamindari Estates under the Court of Wards at Madras to reckon as service towards superannuation pension

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