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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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

No. 280. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th November 1862, No. 7,396:—

Read the following letter from the Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 25th October 1862, No. 225.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Madras Government dated the 19th August last, No. 1,754, sanctioning the appointment of a Tahsíldár of the fifth Class for the Shervaroy Hills, I have the honor to inform you that I have from this date appointed Mr. H. D. M. Jones, the second English Clerk in my Kacheri to the office in question, and to request the Board will be good enough to confirm the nomination.

2. The enclosed Service Register will show that Mr. Jones' service extends over a period of 4½ years, during 1½ year of which he was at the head of my English Correspondence Department. The recorded opinion of my predecessor, Mr. Brett, will show that Mr. Jones' qualifications were highly thought of by that Officer, and from what I have seen of Mr. Jones since I joined the District, I consider him to be fully qualified for the office, to which I have now appointed him.

3. I beg to bring to the notice of the Board that the Order of Government above referred to does not touch upon the question of establishment for the Tahsíldár on the Hills. I have however entertained from this date the establishment referred to in paragraph 3 of my letter to the Board dated the 16th July last, No. 161, and trust that the same may be sanctioned.

4. I take this opportunity to request the Board will be good enough to let me know whether Shervaroy Hills should be treated as a separate Táluq, or, as hitherto, a part and parcel of the Salem Táluq. If I am right in supposing that the new Tahsíldár on the Shervaroy Hills is required to perform all the revenue work on the Hills including collections, I do not see why the Hills should not be treated as a separate Táluq. The Tahsíldár could send down the collections from time to time to the Hoozoor Treasury, and I think the establishment I have entertained is quite sufficient for all the duties, supposing that the Hills are made a separate Táluq.

Deputy Collector, Mr. Boalth, when in charge of the Shervaroys drew his full travelling allowance all the year round at 3 Rupees per diem, or Rupees 90 per mensem.

This allowance was drawn in consideration of the constant travelling to and from the Shervaroys, and also in consideration of the want of office accommodation; I beg to propose that the sum of Rupees 35 per mensem be now allowed as Office rent on the Shervaroys.

This sum to be met monthly by a Contingent Bill.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Extract from the Service Register kept in the Salem Collector's Office.

1. The Board observe that the appointment sanctioned by Government in their Proceedings dated 19th August 1862, No. 1,754, Revenue Department, was that of "a Tahsíldár as Sub-"Magistrate for the Shervaroy Hills on a salary of Rupees 150 per mensem." who "will also be "invested with the powers of a District Moonsiff."

2. They do not understand that it was intended to create a separate Táluq out of the Shervaroy charge, and they are of opinion that the preferable arrangement would be to retain it as hitherto, included in the Salem Táluq, the Officer on the Hills being styled Naib or Deputy Tahsíldár in charge of the Shervaroys, and being entrusted with such revenue duties there as he can perform without detriment to his Magisterial and Judicial charge. The accounts of the Shervaroy charge would thus remain embodied in those of the Salem Táluq.

3. The establishment proposed by the Collector in his letter of 16th July last, and which he has entertained in anticipation of sanction, is as follows:—

	RS.
1 Clerk...	20
1 Do.	16
2 Peons at 7 Rupees each	14
Total...	50

4. The standard establishment for a Sub-Magistrate of the First Class is:

	Rs.
1 Gumáshta...	15
1 Do.	12
1 Dufterbund	7
1 Mussaljee...	5
2 Peons at 5 Rupees each...	10
Total...	49

5. The Board see no reason to object to the modification made by the Collector for the Hill Office, but have reduced the pay of the second Clerk to Rupees 15, instead of Rupees 16 as proposed by the Collector, to make the total charge correspond with the standard.

6. It does not appear that any saving in the Deputy Collector's establishment will result from the recent arrangements which merely effected a transfer from one District to another, and did not reduce the total number of Deputies.

7. Thus the only funds available to meet the proposed charge are apparently these:

	Rs.	
Pay of the Hill Amín	17	per mensem.
Pay of the Gumáshta allowed to Mr. Boalth by the Judicial Department...	10	
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leaving the sum of Rupees 23 to be provided from savings in other items.

8. The Collector will be requested to state how he would propose to meet this charge and the opinion of the Acting Accountant General will also be sought on the point. The necessary provision will be made by the Board in the Budget for 1863-64.

9. As a temporary arrangement the Board do not object to the inclusion of the Office rent in the Bill of Contingent charges, nor for the particular locality does Rupees 35 per mensem appear an unduly high rent; but the Board are of opinion that it would be the wisest economy to build a Kacheri, and they request the Collector to procure a plan and estimate from the District Engineer, and to have the cost included in the Budget for 1863-64.

10. As to the nomination made by the Collector to the new Office, the Board consider that for the particular locality, and the peculiar work, an East Indian is better qualified physically than a native, and they accordingly confirm Mr. Jones in the appointment.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed.) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 281. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1862, No. 2,469.

1. The Government agree with the Board of Revenue in the remarks made by them in the first two paragraphs of these Proceedings. It is unnecessary to increase the number of Táluqs. The new Officer appointed for the Shevaroy Hills will therefore be styled Deputy Tahsíldár and Sub-Magistrate.

	Rs.
1 Clerk.....	20
1 Do.	15
2 Peons at 7 Rupees each.....	14
Total..	49

2. The establishment proposed by the Board for the Deputy Tahsíldár at a cost of Rupees 49 per mensem is approved.

3. The arrangement made in paragraph 9 for providing Office accommodation to the Deputy Tahsíldár as a temporary measure is approved. Orders will be issued from the Public Works Department for the adoption of early measures for building an Office.

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

No. 281. Pt. 2469.

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Fort St. George
29 June 1928

J. D.

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3 " " Asst Genl
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No. 7,396.

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Confirming the nomination of Mr. Jones to the Tahsildarship on the Shervaroy Hills, and making certain modifications in the Establishment proposed, &c.

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