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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
2nd April 1862.*

No. 17. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd March 1862, No. 1,435:—

Read the following letter from A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 13th February 1862, No. 15.

SIR,

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, under date the 7th January last, No. 65, communicating the Government Proceedings of the 24th December 1861, No. 2,415, I have the honor to inform you that no report has ever been made to the Board on the subject of Kalasamudram* tank, the previous correspondence having been only with the District Engineer, regarding the propriety of improving it, but as the Board has now called for a report on this matter, I beg to submit for their information, copy of my letter to the District Engineer in reply to one from that Officer, requiring detailed information on the point referred to in paragraph 2 of the above Government Proceedings.

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to Captain E. HEMERY, District Engineer of Cuddapah, dated 13th February 1862, No. 85.

SIR,

In reply to your letter of 9th December 1861, No. 661, enclosing an original letter from the Deputy Chief Engineer herewith returned, and requesting certain information regarding the reduction of assessment to be made on 20 acres of waste land, under the Kalasamudram tank, which the Acting Sub-Collector proposed to reduce one-half, but which I considered was too great a reduction, I have the honor to report that the Acting Sub-Collector informs me that upwards of 10, out of the 20 acres, have been cultivated this Fasli without remission (being probably the best of the land), and that the remaining (less than 10) acres are cut up by channels, and will require levelling; he now considers that one-quarter remission of the assessment on A. 9, C. 24, V. 11 will be quite sufficient inducement to the Ryots to cultivate, in which opinion I concur.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN, Collector.

In Cons. 4th January 1862, No. 32.

1. Ordered to be submitted to Government, with reference to their Proceedings, dated 24th December 1861, No. 2,415, Public Works Department.

2. The Board gather from the Chief Engineer's letter to Government that of the Nanja Ayakut of the 49 acres under the Kalasamudram tank 21 acres lay waste, of which the Ryots offered to take up 13 acres provided the assessment were reduced "from about 20 Rupees an acre to about 10 Rupees."

3. The Government referred the question to the Board for disposal, and they accordingly called on the Collector for a report on the matter, which had not before in any way been brought before them.

4. By way of reply Mr. Wedderburn forwards copy of a letter addressed by him to the District Engineer, showing that of the 21 acres of waste, 10 acres have been taken up without any remission, and that a remission of one-quarter of the assessment on an extent of Acres 9-24-11 will afford all necessary inducement to the Ryots.

5. The Board consider the manner in which the Collector has replied to their call for a report, to be most unsatisfactory. He has not even informed them of the existing rate of assessment on the land, but assuming it at Rupees 20 per acre from the Chief Engineer's letter, they see no reason to suppose that land damaged by inundation, long left waste, and needing to be levelled before it can be tilled, will be under-assessed at Rupees 15 per acre, which they consider an extremely high rate of assessment for ordinary Nanja. The Collector will be called on to supply the omissions in his report.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, Secretary.

No. 18.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd April 1862, No. 722.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

No. 1,435.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 3rd March 1862.

Read the following letter from A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 18th February 1862,

No. 15:—

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, under date the 7th January last, No. 63, communicating the Government Proceedings of the 24th December 1861, No. 2,415,

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to Captain E. HEMERY, District Engineer of Cuddapah, dated 13th February 1862, No. 85.

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(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN, Collector.

In Cons. 4th January 1862, No. 32. to their Proceedings, dated 24th December 1861, No. 2,415, Public Works Department.

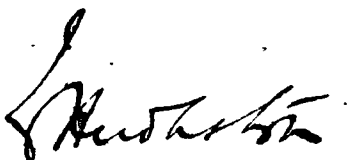
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(True Copies and Extract.)



Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to A. Wedderburn, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah.

Exd. J. Wright.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 3rd March 1862.
Despatched, 15th Dec
Received, 11th Dec

Handwritten signature

No. 1,435.

Submitting with remarks a letter from the
Collector of Cuddapah forwarding certain in-
formation regarding the reduction of assess-
ment to be made on certain waste land under
the Kalsamudram Tank.

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