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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
6th July 1863.*

No. 95. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, dated 23rd March 1863, No. 720:—

Communicating a Resolution of the Supreme Government } (Vide Public Works Proceedings, 23rd March
relative to the jummah of the lands already taken up and } 1863, Nos. 400, 401.)
hereafter required for public purposes.

No. 96. ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1863, No. 1,193.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue for information and guidance.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, dated 12th February 1863, No. 314a:—

Proceedings of the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council, Public Works Department, No. 138, Fort William, 12th January 1863.

Remission of revenue for land taken up by the Trunk Road in the Vizagapatam District.

No. 2,847, dated 28th August 1862.

Read the following letter from Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Chief Engineer, Madras, to Secretary to Government, Madras, Public Works Department.

General.

1. I have the honor to forward herewith the two letters
From District Engineer Vizagapatam, noted in the margin, from the District Engineer, Vizagapatam,
dated 2nd May 1862, No. 128.
Dated 26th July 1862, No. 469.
and to request that the sum of Rupees 1,165-12-9, required by him for payment to the Collector, on account of remission due to Zemindars and proprietors whose lands were taken up for the Trunk Road No. 6, for Faslî 1271 (1862-63), may be authorized from the Reserve Fund of the current year, the District Engineer reporting that he cannot meet the demand for this sum from the General Funds of his District.

2. A like sum of Rupees 1,165-12-9, which was due for remission of the past official year, was included in the Memorandum of sums payable from the unexpended balance of the last year sanctioned in Proceedings of Government, No. 2,000, dated the 22nd August 1862.

3. With reference to the District Engineer's enquiry in paragraph 3 of his letter of the 26th July 1862, as to whether provision for the above payment should be made in his annual Budget, I would recommend that authority be granted for the entry of the same in the Budget, for repairs as an annual charge, in addition to maintenance allowance for the Trunk Road No. 6, as it appears to be payable yearly to the Zemindars and proprietors of land for remission due to them.

No. 2,194, dated 15th September 1862.

ORDER THEREON.—The Governor in Council sanctions the disbursement from the Reserve Fund of the current year of the sum of Rupees 1,165-12-9, being the amount of certain lands occupied by the Trunk Road No. 6 in the Vizagapatam District.

2. The Chief Engineer's suggestion in paragraph 3 of the letter above recorded is approved.

RESOLUTION.—It appears from the above Proceedings that a remission of revenue, amounting to Rupees 1,165-12-9, for land taken up by a road in the Vizagapatam District, has been ordered by the Madras Government to be paid from the Public Works to the Revenue Department, and to be charged in the Public Works Accounts as Repairs, and it is presumed that this process is to be repeated every year.

2. What the procedure may be in regard to other roads and other districts in Madras is not stated, but there is reason to think that such charges are not uncommonly made in Madras. Now, if this way of dealing with the matter were correct, there appears to the Governor General in Council to be no reason why it should be applied to the case of roads only; the Military Department should evidently pay in the same way for the remission of revenue made on Cantonment lands throughout the country, and a similar practise should obtain in every other Department.

3. It seems evident that this mode of considering the question is not a sound one. The Government takes revenue from all land cultivated under certain conditions; if from any cause a portion of land is withdrawn from the category of lands that pay revenue, it ceases to be assessed, and the revenue is reduced. The case of the land taken up by the road in the Vizaga-

patam District appears to the Governor General in Council to be such a case as is described above, and should be dealt with accordingly. To make such a reduction of revenue appear in the public accounts as charge for repairs, would seem to be a manifest error, and cause of confusion.

ORDERED, that copy of the entries of the Madras Proceedings above quoted, with the foregoing observations, be forwarded to the Financial Department for further consideration, and for such orders as may be thought necessary.

Financial Department, Fort William, the 12th February 1863.

RESOLUTION.

The Honorable the President in Council concurs in the views of the Public Works Department, and directs that the *jumma* of lands taken up for public purposes shall cease to be borne on the rent rolls, so that provision for it in the Budget, in the manner proposed by the Madras Government, is not necessary.

A copy to the Public Works Department.

- „ to the other Departments.
- „ to the several Local Governments and Administrations.
- „ to the Auditor General of India.
- „ to the Military Finance Department.
- „ to the several Deputy Auditors and Accountants General.
- „ to the several Civil Pay Masters.

(A true Extract.)

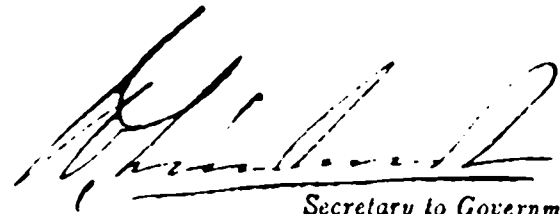
(Signed) THOMAS PEACHEY,
Principal Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd March 1863, No. 720.

1. Communicated to the Chief Engineer and the Deputy Chief Engineers of Circles for information and guidance.

2. The Board of Revenue will be requested through the Revenue Department to instruct the Collectors to adopt the course authorized by the Government of India relative to the *jumma* of the lands already taken up and hereafter required for public purposes.

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer.

- „ Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle.
- „ Do. do. Southern Circle.
- „ Do. do. Central Circle.
- „ Revenue Department.
- „ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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