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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 11th July 1863.

No. 200. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th July 1863 :—

Read the following letter from R. E. MASTER, Esq., Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 7th July 1863, No. 817 '62.

SIR,

1. In my letters of the 22nd September 1862, No. 1,241 and 5th January 1863, No. 2, submitting to Government with the Board's Proceedings of the 23rd October 1862, No. 7,045 and 7th January 1863, No. 75, I requested instructions as to the disposal of the Kistna settlement party at the close of the recess taken after the completion of field work in the Kistna District. No orders having been passed on those letters, I was at length induced with a view to diminish the large expenditure that was being incurred without returns, to reduce the establishments in anticipation of the sanction of Government. The nature and extent of the reductions made were stated in my quarterly report to Government, dated 19th ultimo, No. 750, copy of which has been furnished to the Board, and consisted in the amalgamation of the field branches of the Kistna and Kurnool parties, their united strength being brought down to that sanctioned for one party, the European Assistants and Office establishments of both being for the present retained.

2. I have now the honor to report that the field work in the Kurnool District was completed at the end of March last, and that the double recess to which the establishments were entitled owing to none having been taken last year, will terminate at the end of this month, when the amalgamated Kurnool and Kistna party will be ready to proceed to a new District. I request that the orders of Government as to the destination of the party may be obtained and communicated to me as early as possible, in order that the necessary instructions may be issued beforehand to the Deputy Director.

3. As regards the locality to be selected the Board will find that in paragraph 4 of my letter of the 30th April 1862, I recommended that the Kistna party should move into the Markapur and Cumbum Talooks of Kurnool, which formerly belonged to the Cuddapah District, and should afterwards take up the other Talooks of Cuddapah in regular order. If it is intended that the Cuddapah District shall be taken up by this Department, I cannot do better than repeat my recommendation except that instead of commencing with the Markapur and Cumbum Talooks of Kurnool, I would propose to enter on the Oodatoor, Cuddapah, and Sidhout Talooks of Cuddapah, the three Talooks, through which I understand the course of the Irrigation Company's Canal will lie. By this means the arrangements to be made for the introduction of a separate water-rate along the entire course of the Company's works, as directed in paragraph 4 of the Order of Government, dated 16th ultimo, No. 1,056, will be facilitated.

4. Under the Order of Government, dated 7th December 1860, No. 2,334, the operations of demarcation and classification are carried on separately, the latter process being deferred till the completion of the Survey. In the Kurnool District a special exception was made in view to the early introduction of the new settlement, with reference to the operations of the Irrigation Company, and the country was simultaneously demarcated and classified under the combined system. The party now requiring employment is a combined party made up to the full strength sanctioned in the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, communicated with the Order of Government, dated 14th March 1862, No. 573. I request to be informed whether in taking up the new District which may be assigned to it, the party should work on the combined or on the separate system. The Board will recollect that this question was discussed in the papers noted in the margin, and awaits the orders of Government.

Officiating Director to Board, 22nd September 1862, No. 1,241, paragraph 6.
Board's Proceedings, 23rd October 1862, No. 7,045.
Do. 19th Nov. do. No. 7,602.
Do. 7th January 1863, No. 75.

5. There will be great advantage in taking up a District immediately adjoining that of Kurnool, in which the Deputy Director's presence will be required for the introduction of the

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settlement as soon as the orders of Government are passed, and no great distance from the Kistna District in which also settlement operations are in progress.

1. Ordered to be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that, unless Government are prepared to issue final orders as to the future of the Department, and the strength and system to be hereafter adopted, Mr. Master be instructed to take up at once that portion of the Cuddapah District which will be affected by the operations of the Irrigation Company. Whether the combined or separate system of demarcation and classification shall be adopted, or whether the point shall be left to the Officiating Director to decide in communication with Major Priestley, is a question that has already been submitted to Government in the Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd October and 19th November 1862, Nos. 7,915 and 7,602 and 7th January 1863, No. 75, which are still under consideration.

2. The Board presume that a Survey party will be available to take up the demarcated tract in proper time.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 201. ORDER THEREON, 11th July 1863, No. 1,252.

The Board are requested to ascertain and report when a Survey party will be available to follow up the demarcation of the Kurnool Settlement party, and if none will be available in proper time, to consult with the Acting Director of Revenue Settlement and submit their opinion as to whether the other Settlement operations, classification, &c., should be undertaken before demarcation.

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

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Secretary.

To
J. D. Sim Esq.
Secretary to Government.
Revenue Department.

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Submitting with the Board's opinion a letter from the Offg Director of Revenue & Statistics requesting instructions as to the disposal of the Kistna settlement party at the close of the season, and recommending that they be employed in the Godavery district.

N: 1253 - H Bishop
Offg Secretary

N: 1252.

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Forwd 12th Dec.
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