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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 22nd August 1863.

No. 227. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th August 1863 :—

Read the following letter from the Honorable R. S. ELLIS, C. B., Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Bungarummahpet, 7th August 1863, No. 312.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to report that the Salt Superintendent of the Madras Cotar has represented to me the difficulty that is experienced in procuring, at the present rate of hire, the services of boatmen for the conveyance of Salt sold at Covelong for export, to the ships despatched to that place. The present rate of hire is 1-11-9 per Garce, and the rate asked by the boatmen is 3 Rupees, being the rate charged at Madras.

Items.	The regulated amount.			Saving.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Cart hire	1	12	0			
Hire for lading	0	12	0	0	1	0
Mat for Carts	0	1	6			
Mats to be placed under the triangular scale	0	0	9	0	0	6
Do. for boats...	0	0	9			
Hire for weighment	0	2	2			
Value of baskets	0	0	3			
Boat hire	1	11	9			
Saderwarid charges including the pay of Establishment	0	7	4			
For wastage	0	5	2	0	0	2
For covering the heaps	0	3	8			
Kuddiwarum	12	6	8			
	18	0	0			
				0	1	8

2. I concur with the Superintendent in thinking that the rate claimed by the boatmen is unnecessarily high, and that if the rate is raised from Rupees 1-11-9 to 2 Rupees, the increase will be sufficient. This latter rate of 2 Rupees was paid from 1835 to 1853, in which year it was reduced in order to bring the whole cost of transhipment of Salt to Rupees 18 per Garce as shown marginally. There proves to be a saving of Rupee 0-1-8 on other items which composed the regulated charge of 18 Rupees. The increased cost of shipment of Salt will therefore only be Rupee 0-2-7 per Garce if the boatmen are paid at the rate of 2 Rupees per Garce.

3. The rates of wages have risen considerably elsewhere, and I do not think the present rate of Rupees 1-11-9 sufficient to ensure the attendance of boatmen. As any failure in this respect will cause serious inconvenience to shippers, I would solicit the Board's sanction to the proposed increase, and that I may receive early instructions on the subject.

4. The increased expenditure on this account may be estimated at Rupees 110 this year, and can be met from the provision made in the Budget under heading, charges for provision of Salt, "cost of export."

Submitted for the sanction of Government. The Board are about to make an investigation into the sales of Salt for export, in view to deciding whether the present price charged, Rupees 15 per 100 Indian Maunds, is sufficiently remunerative on the average.

No. 228. ORDER THEREON, 22nd August 1863, No. 1,547.

The recommendation of the Collector is sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

4. The increased expenditure on this account may be estimated at Rupees 110 this year and can be met from the provision made in the Budget under Heading.- charges for Provision of Salt, "Cost of export."

Madras Division,
Collector's office,
Bangarumtmahpet,
7th August 1863.

I have &c
(Signed) R. L. Ellis.

Submitted for the sanction of Government. The Board are about to make an investigation into the sales of salt for export, in view to deciding whether the present price charged Rupees 15 per 100 Indian Maunds is sufficiently remunerative on the average.

(A true Copy and Extract)

W Dalyell
Sub Secretary.

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

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Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 18th August 1803
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Submitting letter from the Collector of Madras representing the difficulty experienced in procuring at the present rate of hire the Services of Boatmen for the conveyance of Salt sold at Covelong for Export to the Ships dispatched to that place.

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With an order

No. 1547.

The recommendation of the Coll. is sanctioned

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