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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 31st August 1863.

No. 307. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Mofussil Police, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Kotagherry, 15th August 1863, No. 2,162:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward a copy of a letter addressed by the Collector of Tinnevelly to the Superintendent of Police, relative to an increase that appears to be required to the fixed Establishment of Salt Guards in that District as originally estimated.

2. The increase is trifling in amount, and from local circumstances necessary, I therefore request the sanction of Government. The expense can be met for the present year from a provision made for temporary guards that have not been found necessary.

From J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to Lieutenant C. A. PORTEOUS, Acting Superintendent of Police, Tinnevelly, dated Tenkausy, 20th July 1863, No. 731.

SIR,

1. Adverting to our conversation regarding the number of the Constabulary to be maintained at each Salt Station, both to guard the Treasury and for general preventive duty, and to the number of 45 Constables proposed by Mr. Robinson, I have the honor to state that, as there are seven Salt Stations in this District and as you consider that one Deputy and six Privates are the smallest number that can be assigned to each Station to carry on efficiently the duties detailed in my letter of 13th April last, to the late Superintendent of Police, Captain Gompertz, in which opinion I entirely concur, I request that 49 instead of 45 Constables may be assigned for permanent Salt duties, being at the rate of one Deputy and six Privates for each Salt Station.

2. The above will be the permanent Establishment; should any extra preventive party be at any time temporarily required, it would be applied for.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) C. A. PORTEOUS, Lieut.,
Acting Supt. of Police, Tinnevelly District.

No. 308. ORDER THEREON, 31st August 1863, No. 1,586.

* Letter dated 29th April 1863, No. 743.

			Rs.
Head Constables,	3 at 22	Rupees ...	66
Deputy do.	3 at 12	do. ...	36
Constables,	39 at 7	do. ...	273
		Total 45. Cost per month	375
			12
		Cost per year ...	4,500

1. The Tabular Statement of Salt Establishments recently* submitted to the Government of India, but which has not yet received their sanction, provides a preventive Establishment consisting of 45 men as per margin for the Tinnevelly District.

2. The Inspector General of Mofussil Police in the letter recorded above supports a proposal of the Collector that the strength of the guard be raised to 49 men, at the rate of one Deputy Constable and six Constables for each of the seven Salt Stations.

3. The Government are unwilling to exceed the amount already fixed upon as suitable for the wants of the District in this particular item, but they have no objection to a re-distribution of the salaries assigned to individuals, and consider that if *Deputy* Constables only are now required, the saving under *Head* Constables may be appropriated to strengthen the Establishment. The addition thus made and the reduction in the number of Salt Treasuries as proposed in the Inspector General's Circular, dated 28th February 1863, must make the preventive Establishment in the Salt Department of the District efficient enough.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General Mofussil Police.
„ Judicial Department.
„ Board of Revenue.
„ Honorable Mr. Pelly.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Revenue Department.

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Under date the 31st August 1863

Read the following letter from W. Robinson Esquire Inspector-General of Mofussil Police.

Requests the sanction of Govt. for the increase that appears to be required to the fixed establishment of Salt Guards in the Tinnevelly District as originally estimated.

(Here enter 15th August 63 No 2162)

Letter dated 29th April 1863 Page 3

Head Constables. 3@22 = 66 Rs
Do. Do. 3@12 = 36
Constables 39@7 = 273.
Total 45 Constables 375
12
Cost per year 4500

1. The Tabular Statement of Salt Establishments recently submitted to the Govt. of India, but which has not yet received their sanction, provides a Preventive establishment consisting as per margin of 115 men for the Tinnevelly District. ~~The establishment has not yet had sufficient trial~~ 2 ~~not~~ yet. The Inspector General

of Mofussil Police, in the letter recorded above as supports ~~the~~ proposal of the Collector that the strength of the guard be raised to 49 men at the rate of 1 Deputy Constable and 6 Constables for each of the seven Salt Malions. The Govt are ~~not disposed to sanction any additional cost, but they will be prepared to give favorable consideration to any proposal which may be made to reduce the three Head Constables to the grade of Deputy Constables, and appropriate the saving thereby occasioned~~ unwilling to exceed the amount already fixed upon as suitable for the wants of the District in this particular item, but they have no objection to a redistribution of the salaries assigned to individuals, and consider that if Deputy Constables only are now required, the saving under Head Constables may be appropriated to strengthen the establishment. The addition thus made, and the reduction in the number of Salt Treasuries as proposed in the Inspector General's Circular dated 28th February 1865 must make the Preventive Establishment in the Salt Department of the District efficient enough.

5 Copies Inspector General Mr. Police Dept Vet Capts

5 " Judicial Department ✓

14 " Board of Revenue ✓

6 — Honorable Mr. Petty ✓

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Pro: of the Madras Govt
Dt 31st August 1863.

Recommendation
of the Inspector General
of Mofussil Police to
increase the strength of
Salt-guards in the
Tinnevelly District not
acceded to.—

No 307 & 308