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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Read also the following letter from the same Officer, dated 5th September 1863, No. 186.

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2. The ground alluded to by me has nothing to do with the Town of Madura, is distant a quarter of a mile from the out-skirts of the town from which it is separated by irrigation channels, roads, and topes, and is situated in a different village called Anooppanady. Attached to the Town of Madura there is no waste ground except some pieces of ditch ground which is disposed of from time to time, and the proceeds carried to the credit of the Town Fund, which transactions are reported in the annual report on the Town Fund. I am unable to send a plan of the Town as I have no means of getting one made.

3. I could dispose of this waste ground myself on puttah to applicants, and only made a reference, because I considered it would be more advantageous to Government to put it in auction on lots than to give it on puttah, as, from its proximity to the Town, it would fetch a good price for the building of garden residencies, &c. I have already taken possession of the plot for building the Lying-in-Hospital bungalow, as I could not afford to lose the building season, pending the Board's disposal of my reference.

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1. Ordered that the above papers be submitted for the consideration of Government, the land in question having hitherto been reserved for the possible convenience of the Governor of the Presidency in the event of his visiting Madura in camp.

2. The 3rd Member, Mr. Clarke, is averse to the land being disposed of in the manner proposed, but the majority of the Board are not satisfied that sufficient reason exists for retaining it in its present condition.

No. 119. ORDER THEREON, 10th November 1863, No. 2,021.

The Government do not see any use in reserving the land alluded to in these Proceedings. They therefore authorize its sale in the manner proposed by the Collector and at an upset price of 25 times the yearly assessment, *plus* cost of survey and boundary marks. The lots marked I. and G. to be reserved as proposed, and the Nattamagar to be allowed to take land elsewhere in lieu of his Service Inám.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 4,872.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th August 1863.

Read the following letter from V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 8th July 1863, No. 134:—

1. With reference to the enclosed sketch, I have the honor to report that it represents a spot of waste ground on the Ramnad road, about three-fourths of a mile out of the town of Madura, which has hitherto been retained waste for the Governor to pitch his camp on, if he should visit Madura, because a former Governor, Sir T. Munro, I believe once pitched his camp on it, but as I believe there is no need for its retention for the above purpose, and as building ground is required, I beg to make the following proposal respecting it.

2. The whole of the land at the Fysul was assessed at Rupees 1-4-5 per acre, but it has not been cultivated.

3. The whole extent is about 14½ acres, of which 1¾ acres, assessed at Rupees 2-7-7 per acre per annum is Nattamgar's Maniem, which he has never been allowed to make use of in any way; his Service Inam land is shown in the plan lying east of the village of Kondakutty Poliem, and west of the dotted line. As the Nattamgar was never allowed to use the land, it became converted into a thoroughfare to the river, and was used for taking mud to repair the road, &c.

4. I consider it would be advisable to make another arrangement altogether as respects this Service Inam land, and propose to make a straight road through it from the river to the Ramnad road as shown in the plan, and to divide the land lying between the road and the village into small building lots, which would be eagerly bought up if sold in public auction at an upset price of 25 times the yearly assessment, *plus* cost of Survey.

5. The lots A and B were deep holes, which I have had filled up by the convicts, they are thus land regained and made valuable; lot F is a small piece which I would give over to the owner of the ground adjoining to straighten his ground, he would take it at the regular rate of assessment.

6. The remaining portion of the Service Inam land I propose adding on to lots G and I.

7. The Nattamgar of the village has hitherto enjoyed no profit from the Inam land. I beg to propose that in lieu of the above land, that he be given 1¾ acres in another portion of the waste under notice or that he be allowed the Government tax, equal to Rupees 2-7-7 per annum, on other cultivated land in the village, or that, in accordance with the proposal now before Government for remunerating village servants, Rupees 2-7-7 be deducted from his Puttah at the Jamabundy in payment of his services as Nattamgar, and this plan I beg to urge in preference to the two first proposals, and would strongly advise against giving him any portion of the waste which Government could dispose of to great advantage; this ground being almost the only piece of waste about Madura, would in auction fetch a very high price for building garden houses on.

8. There is a great scarcity of houses for Europeans at Madura, and it is difficult to find a site on which to build; the waste under notice is about the only building site available, and it is in a line with the other European residencies at Madura.

9. I propose taking up lot I on the usual assessment, and forming it into a compound containing about 4 acres, and building on it a Bungalow with part of the Lying-in-Hospital money, which would be a good way of investing part of said funds; the rent of the house would yield an interest on the sum so laid out of probably 6 or 7 per cent.; the Puttah for the compound to be made out in the name of the Collector for the time being on behalf of the Charity.

10. An Office for the Superintending Engineer will be required hereafter. As a site for it, I would reserve lot G, and this situation would suit the Superintending Engineer, he informs me.

11. The remaining lots H, K and L shown in the plan, I recommend being put up to public auction at 25 times the amount of the yearly settlement, *plus* any cost of survey and demarcation, deducting from any one of them, should the Board determine to give it to him, 1¾ acres as the Nattamgar's Maniem.

12. I beg therefore the orders of the Board to dispose of—

First.—The Nattamgar's Service Inam in any one of the modes proposed.

Second.—To retain lots I and G on account of Engineer's Office compound, and Bungalow compound on the usual assessment.

Third.—To sell lots A, B, C, D, E, H, K and L at an upset price of 25 years' assessment, *plus* any extra cost of survey and demarcation, but as the lands are assessed waste, not claimed by any one or entered in any Puttah; if the sale is permitted, I beg it may be allowed to take place after one month's notice.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Sketch.

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1. The Collector is requested to state whether there is any previous correspondence with the Board or Government on his records connected with this plot of ground; if so for what reasons previous application, to occupy it have been rejected.

2. He will submit a sketch of the whole town showing the position of the plot, and of any other open ground included in the town limits.

(A true Copy and Extract)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To V. H. Levinge, Esq., Collector of Madura.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Requesting further information regarding the spot of waste ground on the Rammad road.

No. 4,872.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

No

1863. Department.

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Dated 5th August 1863.

Exd. Peter.

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No. 6,598.

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W. Hudleston
Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.
Copy to V. H. Levinge, Esq., Collector of Madura.

Exd. J. Wright.

Revenue dept.

No 2021

Proceedings of the Madras Govt
under date 10 Nov 1863.

Read the following
proceedings of
the Board of Revenue

Submitting for
consideration papers
on the subject of selling
by public auction for
building purposes,
a piece of waste ground
on the Ramnad road,
Madura District.

Letter dated 14th
October 1863.
No
6,598

Ack Govt Lr

Rev = 1863. Department.

Pro: of Govt for consr.

No. 2510.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 14th October 1863.

Dept 17.
Rec 19th
Desp 10th Nov

No. 6,598.

Ack Govt 2021. 10 Nov

Submitting for consideration papers on the subject of selling for building purposes, a piece of waste ground on the Ramnad road, Madura District.

To the Secretary to Govt Revenue Dept
forwarded by the Collector Madura
with letter dated 15th October 1863
No 1118

I do not see any
good in reserving this la
and as sites are want
it might be sold - bu
I think a great part
local municipal purp
should be reserved - The
proceeds will of course go in
the Govt treasury.

The Nattamyan
might have land elsewhe
The sites I & G mig
be reserved as proposed

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I boundary marks.
of Survey - The lots
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be reserved as pro-
-posed, and the Ratta-
-nagar to be allowed
to take land elsewhere
in lieu of his former
Grant.-

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Mr Cupples Collr Bijapur with copy of Govt Order
Acd 1st Inst

16-9-1862

Revenue 1862 Sept.
Pro: of Govt for Nov.

No 2021.

Pro: of the Madras Govt
Dt 18th November 1862.

Sale of a piece of
waste land on the
Ramnad Road, in
Madura, authorized.

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