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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 10-12-~~19~~-1863

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No. 166. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st December 1863. No. 7,566 :—

Read the following letter from J. I. MINCHIN, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd October 1863, No. 170.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to report on the case of Syed Hoossain Meeah, whose Petition to His Excellency the Governor, forwarded to me for inquiry, are herewith returned.

2. The Petitioner, owner of certain Inám land in the village of Kalloor, was deprived of one and a quarter acres of the same in the year 1856, the land being taken possession of by the Public Works Department for the construction of the bridge over the Hindry river.

3. Land in exchange was granted to the Petitioner in the year 1857, but not an equivalent for that of which he had been deprived, and on his bringing this fact to my notice, the case was referred by me to the Deputy Collector for inquiry, who directed the Petitioner to point out other suitable land, sanction for the grant of which should then be obtained.

4. The Petitioner pointed out the land on the 6th May last; particulars were submitted for sanction on the 16th idem, and Government sanctioned the grant on the 27th July, which has been since placed in his possession.

5. The Petitioner now claims compensation, amounting to Rupees 360, for the loss entailed on him for the period that he was deprived of the land without receiving an equivalent.

6. At the time when the Petitioner was first deprived of his Inám land, it was the unfortunate custom to take possession of any land wanted for Government purposes, of Puttah lands without compensation of Inám lands with nominal compensation, and generally great delay.

7. It was only after seeing the justice exhibited towards all owners of land required for the Irrigation Company, that the Petitioner moved in this matter, and demanded and obtained the proper equivalent in land, for that of which he had been deprived.

8. The compensation in land granted to him in the first instance was so inadequate, that it cannot be denied that the Petitioner was deprived for six years of the use of one Acre and five Koontahs of valuable land, the loss on which is calculated by the Deputy Collector Ragoonadha Row at Rupees 118, at the rate of Rupees 16 per Acre yearly.

9. If the Government would consent to re-open this question, after such a lapse of time, I am unaware from what item of the Budget this payment could be met. It must be remembered that for a length of time the Petitioner acquiesced in the treatment to which under an unfortunate system he was subjected, and that no time was lost in granting him a full equivalent for the land of which he had been deprived, when the matter was brought fairly to notice.

1. Ordered that Mr. Minchin's letter be submitted to Government with reference to their Endorsement, dated 9th September 1863, on the Petition No. 2,229 from Syed Hossain Meeah.

2. Under the circumstances reported by the Collector, the Board recommend that Petitioner be paid Rupees 118 as compensation for the period (a little more than seven years) during which he was deprived of the use of certain lands which belonged to him and were taken up for the bridge over the Hindry river.

3. The above charge may, the Board believe, be met from the general savings in the Budget of the District for 1863-64.

No. 167. ORDER THEREON, 10th December 1863, No. 2,247.
Sanctioned as proposed by the Board.
(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Accountant General.
„ Civil Paymaster.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 7,566.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. I. Minchin, Esq., Collector of Kurnool.

Exd. J. Wright.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 1st December 1863.

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No. 7,566.

Submitting letter from the Collector of Kurnool reporting upon a petition claiming compensation for the loss entailed on him for the period that he was deprived of certain land without receiving an equivalent, and recommending that the Petitioner be paid Rupees 118 as compensation for the same.

Dr. 2247.

J.P. Sanctioned as proposed by the Board.

10th Decr 63.

Letter to Mr. Secy Rice Copy & Abstr. sent 7th Dec 1863

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