

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 732

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
28th April 1863.*

No. 259. Read the following letter from J. L. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Acting Accountant General, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort Saint George, 15th April 1863, No. 463:—

SIR,

1. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Order of Government No. 591, dated 27th ultimo, Revenue Department, calling for my opinion on the suggestion of the Board of Revenue to exclude from the annual Estimate, the Establishment entertained for surveying Waste Lands, and to pay the necessary charges as an advance to be recovered eventually from the party who may apply for the land, I have the honor to state that, the great objection, as to the suggestion of the Board, is, the great delay which must necessarily take place in the adjustment of these advances, inasmuch as the Waste Lands on account of which they are to be made, may not be sold for a number of years to come; in such cases, the advances must, as a matter of course, remain adjusted.

2. To keep any advance unadjusted for an indefinite period, is opposed to the instructions of the Auditor General of India, which require advances in no case to be allowed to remain unadjusted for more than three months, without special report and enquiry.

3. I would, therefore, suggest that the charges on account of Waste Lands be, in the first instance, borne by the State, in the same manner as those incurred on account of the Salt and Abkarry Departments are, and that the proceeds from the sale of these lands, including the charges previously incurred thereon, be credited to Government *per contra*, as is the case with the Revenues from the above two sources.

4. To meet the above charges for surveying Waste Lands, provision to the extent of Rupees 28,500 has been made in the Budget for 1863-64: and in their Proceedings, No. 331, dated 13th February 1863, Revenue Department, Government have properly remarked that "this expense will ultimately be recovered from the purchasers, and the item is therefore a recoverable advance, not a Land Revenue charge," although it must, in the first instance, for the reasons above assigned, be borne by Government as a revenue charge.

No. 260. ORDER THEREON, 28th April 1863, No. 732.

The suggestion made by the Acting Accountant General in paragraph 3 of this letter, is approved.

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

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"charge", although it must, in the first instance, for the reasons
above assigned, be borne by Government as a removal charge.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,
J. A. Thompson
Acting Accountant General

to
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The Acting Assistant General
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from the General Board, the
Establishment and General
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entirely from the funds
afford for the land.

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The suggestions made
by the Acting Assistant General
of the Secretary to Government
as approved.

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