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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 1st June 1863.

No. 7. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th March 1863, No. 1,437:—

Read again letters from the Collector of Salem, dated 12th and 23rd June 1862, Nos. 132 and 147, and Board's letter to the Collector, dated 10th July 1862, No. 4,441.

Read also the following letter from the same Officer, dated 31st January 1863, No. 12.

(Letter dated 12th June 1862, No. 132.)

1. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Board's Proceedings dated the 27th March last, No. 2,024, I have the honor to enclose a copy of the statement which accompanied Mr. Knox's letter dated the 16th January 1860, No. 19, and to offer the following remarks.

2. The state of things is not now the same as when Mr. Knox wrote his letter of the 16th January 1860. The rail has since been opened through the District. Several lines of road have therefore become less important.

3. Out of the seven mentioned by Mr. Knox I would recommend endowments to only three Choultries. These are situated on the high road from Bangalore to Salem and are marked Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in the Statement. Traffic and travellers from Bangalore to Salem, Coimbatore and Trichinopoly wishing to take the rail have to go either to Tripatore, which is 56 miles (from Oossoor) out of the high road to Salem, or to Morapur which is 28 miles (from Palcode) out of the high road. A new road from Palcode to Morapur the Railway station has just been opened, and it is therefore expected that travellers and traffic will increase on the line through Royacottah and Palcode to the rail at Morapur. Independent of this there is great traffic between Oossoor and Dharmapuri, and between Denkencotta and Dharmapuri through Royacottah and Palcode.

4. I therefore recommend that for the Chuttrums at Oossoor and Royacottah an endowment of 60 Rupees each, and for the Chuttrum at Palcode Rupees 48, be granted. The Chuttrum at Palcode being smaller in size affords less accommodation than the first two.

5. With regard to the other four Chuttrums I cannot recommend any endowment for the following reasons.

6. No. 4 is the one situated at Vaniembadi. Traffic and travellers to Bangalore and other places at present get down at Tripatur; and when the Bangalore branch line is opened, they would get down at Jolarumputti. Only passengers going to different villages near Vaniembadi, and the traffic intended for Vaniembadi, stop at the Vaniembadi station. The Chuttrum at this place is therefore but very little used. Besides the Chuttrum there is a very small one, and affords no accommodation to other than Bramins and Sudras. The Chuttrum is built in a small lane, and has no place for travellers' bandies.

7. No. 5. The Chuttrum at Eramuttur. This is a small Choultry, and is situated on the high road from Tripatur to Salem *via* Dharmapuri. All the traffic from Tripatur and other places on that side take the rail. The traffic from Kistnagherri and other important places in that direction pass through Muttur to the Shamulputti station, and the traffic from Dharmapuri and other important places there have a direct road to the Railway. Both the Chuttrums at Muttur and Dharmapuri are endowed. Eramuttur is situated between these two places, and is a place of no importance. Neither passengers nor traffic pass through it, and the small Choultry there is therefore quite useless. The Choultry was built some fifty years ago by one Narasiah, and as none of his family were forthcoming it appears the Choultry was about twenty years ago repaired by the Government at a cost of Rupees 400. It is now in a very dilapidated condition, and I would therefore recommend that it be sold by public auction unless the Police wish to have it repaired and used for a Station house. I have addressed the Superintendent of Police on the subject, and will communicate to you the result.

8. No. 6. The Chuttrum at Namkul. It is situated on the high road from Salem to Trichinopoly. Namkul is a very important place. The Mootadar to whom the Chuttrum belongs is a man of wealth, and it may, as Mr. Knox recommended be left to the liberality of the Mootadar, who now spends 2,000 Rupees every year in feeding the travellers who halt in the Chuttrum, besides the Establishment which costs 132 Rupees per annum.

9. No. 7. The Chuttrum at Senkageri. This Chuttrum is situated on the high road from Salem to Coimbatore. The rail being now opened throughout, and Senkageri being situated at a distance of two miles from the station, no travellers can be expected to resort to this Chuttrum. I cannot therefore recommend any endowment to this Chuttrum particularly when there is already a Chuttrum at the same place which has an endowment of Rupees 60 per annum.

10. I find that in Mr. Knox's statement the Chuttrum in the Town of Salem, built about five years ago by one Appavoo Chetti, is omitted. I have added this Chuttrum to the list, but I do not recommend any endowment to it. It is situated in the Town of Salem and affords accommodation to Bramins and Sudras only. Appavoo Chetti is a wealthy man and the Chuttrum may therefore be left to his liberality, unless he makes the necessary additions to the Chuttrum to admit of all classes of people finding a place in it. Appavoo Chetti maintains an Establishment for the Chuttrum at a cost of Rupees 90 per annum, besides feeding the travellers, the annual cost of which amounts to Rupees 1,000.

11. A new column has been opened in the Statement, in which the relative distances at which the Chuttrums are situated are shown.

(Letter dated 23rd June 1862, No. 147.)

With reference to paragraph 7 of my letter to the Board dated the 12th instant, No. 133, I have the honor to state that the Superintendent of Police does not want the Choultry at Eramuttur for the Police station house or out-post. I would therefore recommend that the Choultry be sold.

Read also the following letter from the same Officer, dated 31st January 1863, No. 12.

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated the 10th July 1862, No. 4,411, returning the Statement submitted with my letter of the 12th June last, No. 132, to fill up certain omissions, I have the honor to return the Statement with the omissions filled up, and also to submit the rough plans of the Chuttrums at Usur, Royacottah, and Palcode as called for in the letter under reply.

2. The Chuttrum at Royacottah affords sufficient accommodation for all classes of people. The Chuttrums at Palcode and Usur have only accommodation for Brahmins and Soodras. The owner of the Palcode Chuttrum has already commenced to make the necessary additions, and will complete the same very shortly.

3. I beg to recommend that the Inam for the Chuttrum at Royacottah may at once be granted, and that for the two other Chuttrums may be granted on the condition that the owners will within six months complete the necessary additions.

Enclosure No. 1.

Abstract.—Plan of Usur Chuttrum.

Enclosure No. 2.

Abstract.—Plan of Palcode Chuttrum.

Enclosure No. 3.

Abstract.—Plan of the Royacottah Chuttrum.

Enclosure No. 4.

Abstract.—Statement showing the useful Chuttrums requiring endowments in the District of Salem.

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1. Ordered that the above correspondence be submitted for the consideration and orders of Government, with reference to paragraph 5 of the Proceedings of the Board, dated 27th March 1862, No. 2,024.

2. With his letter of the 16th January 1860, No. 19, Mr. Knox, late Collector of Salem, forwarded a Statement of seven Chuttrums which he thought fairly entitled to endowments of land from Government; but as this Statement was mislaid in the Board's Office, the Collector

was called upon in the above quoted Proceedings to forward a duplicate copy, revising it if necessary, with reference to the principle, of the grant being regulated up to the maximum of 60 Rupees, according to the importance of the building and the number of travellers accommodated by it, and furnishing additional information as to the relative distances of the Chuttrums thus proposed to be endowed. In complying with this requisition, the present Collector adds an eighth Chuttrum to Mr. Knox's list, viz., that built in 1859 in the town of Salem by Appavoo Chetty, which affords accommodation to Brahmins and Soodras only.

3. Mr. Arbuthnott has confined his recommendation of an endowment to three only out of these eight Chuttrums; these are numbered I, 2 and 3 in the Statement, and are situated on the high road from Bangalore, *via* Morapoor, to Salem, at Oossoor, at Royacottah, and at Palcode. The distance between Oossoor and Royacottah is 21 miles, between Royacottah and Palcode 17 miles, and between Palcode and Morapoor, which is situated in the line of Railway, the distance cannot be less than 25 miles by the new road stated to have been recently opened. For the reasons stated in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Collector's letter of the 12th June, and in the column of remarks in the Statement accompanying, the Board of Revenue support the Collector's recommendation to endow these Chuttrums with waste land, of the value of 60 Rupees per annum for those at Oossoor and Royacottah, and 45 Rupees for that at Palcode. From the Collector's letter of the 31st January last, it is however observed that of these three Chuttrums, that at Royacottah alone affords sufficient accommodation for all classes, the other two having accommodation for Brahmins and Soodras only, though the proprietor of the Palcode Chuttrum has already commenced additions. Under these circumstances, the Board support the Collector's further recommendation that the endowment applied for be immediately granted to the Royacottah Chuttrum, and that those for Palcode and Oossoor be made on the condition of the owners making such additions within six months as will accommodate all classes.

4. Mr. Arbuthnott has restricted his recommendation to these three Chuttrums in consequence of the extension of the Railway having considerably lessened the necessity of providing such accommodation for the travelling public, and the Board agree with him in opinion that the remaining five Chuttrums* included in the original Statement do not need any assistance from Government.

* Number in Statement.
4. Vaniembadi.
5. Eramuttur.
6. Namcul.
7. Senkagherri.
8. Salem.

5. The Collector states in his letter of the 23rd June, that the Eramuttur Choultry said to be in a very dilapidated condition, is not required by the Police; and the Board accordingly support his proposal to sell the building by public auction, as it is no longer required for the accommodation of travellers. The sanction of Government is solicited for this course.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 8. Order thereon, 1st June 1863, No. 932.

1. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Order of Government, dated 7th June 1858, No. 765, in which they promised to "entertain any application for endowments for Chuttrums now without them, and the utility of which is proved by the local authorities," the Board of Revenue submit a letter from the Acting Collector of Salem applying for endowments for three Chuttrums in that District. The names of the places at which the Chuttrums are situated and other particulars connected with them are shown below:—

Road on which the Chuttrums are situated.	Names of the places at which the Chuttrums are situated.	Relative distance of one from the other.	Assessment of the extent of Waste Land proposed to be given.
			Rs.
From Bangalore viâ Morapur to Salem.	Oossoor..	...	60
	Royacottah.	21	60
	Palcode...	17	45

2. The Board point out that of these Chuttrums that at Royacottah alone affords sufficient accommodation for all classes, the other two having accommodation for Brahmins and Soodras only, though the proprietor of the Palcode Chuttrum has already commenced additions, and they therefore recommend that the proposed grant of land be immediately given to the Royacottah Chuttrum, and that the endowments for the Palcode and Oossoor Chuttrums be made on the condition of the owners making the required additions within six months.

3. None of these Chuttrums appear to have been built with the previous permission of the Board as required by their Circular Orders noted in the margin. The Government will, however, waive this objection as the present application is submitted with reference to the Order of 7th June 1858, which held out hopes of endowments being granted to Chuttrums already erected if they are only proved to be useful. But the Government do not see the propriety of accepting the conditional recommendation made by the Board in behalf of the Oossoor and Palcode Chuttrums. The required additional accommodation must be actually provided, and as the Circular of the Board dated 25th May 1848 clearly prescribes the applications, on the *completion* of the buildings should be accompanied by a "plan of the Choultry showing the extent "and nature of the accommodation allotted to the several classes of travellers," before the sanction of the Government of India is solicited for the endowments. The Chuttrum at Royacottah affords accommodation for all classes, and there appears to be no endowed Chuttrum within ten miles of it on either side. The necessary application will be submitted to the Government of India at once.

19th January 1832.
8th August 1836.

4. Mr. Knox explained in the Statement submitted by the Board that at the time the Choultry at Oossoor was built the Government *offered* an endowment to it, and a report was submitted by the Collector. The Board will ascertain if any such offer was made, and, in submitting their renewed application in favor of the Chuttrum after the necessary additions have been made, will report why the endowment was not given at the time.

5. The Collector states that the Chuttrum at Palcode is smaller than that at Oossoor, and therefore recommends the smaller endowment of the value of 45 Rupees for the former. The Board endorse this recommendation, but the Government observe from the plans that the former is decidedly the larger of the two.

6. Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board, sanction is granted for the sale by public auction of the Eramuttur Choultry.

7. The Collector of Salem and the Board of Revenue from their remarks on the Choultries at Vaniembady and Senkagherri, appear to be under the impression that encouragement is unnecessary for Chuttrums situated near Railway stations. Such may be the case in regard to Chuttrums on lines of road superseded by the Railway, but Chuttrums at or near the stations along the line of Railway should receive every encouragement. At present Native travellers must often be put to great inconvenience owing to the want of accommodation at such places and their distance from villages where accommodatian is procurable. The Chuttrums at Vaniembady and Senkagherri, alluded to in the papers before Government, are not entitled to endowments according to the rules; otherwise Government would be willing to recommend suitable grants for them from the circumstance of their situation near the Railway stations.

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

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No. 9. From J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to the Secretary to the Government of India, dated 1st June 1863, No. 933.

SIR,

1. I am directed to submit for the favorable consideration of the Government of India an application for the grant of Waste Land, bearing an annual assessment of Rupees 60, in endowment of a Choultry erected about 18 years ago by one Aroonachella Charry at Royacottah, in the Salem District, on the high road from Bangalore to Salem. The Choultry is reported to have cost 4,000 Rupees.

2. The building does not correspond with the plan prescribed by the existing rules as it was built long before the plan was circulated, but it affords sufficient accommodation to all classes. The traffic along the road is great and likely to increase.

3. The rule requiring the previous sanction of the Board for the erection of Choultries was not observed in the present case, but as the Government, in noticing the condition of the several Choultries in this Presidency in 1858, promised to entertain applications for endowments for buildings proved to be useful, they would overlook this omission and desire me to recommend that the application may be complied with.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th March 1863, with one plan.

4. The papers bearing on the subject as noted in the margin are forwarded for inspection, together with the plan of the building, which I am to request may be returned.

5. I am directed to submit, for the consideration of the Supreme Government, the propriety of vesting this Government with power to make grants of this nature of their own authority. The rules under which the grants are made are precise—are certainly not too liberal—and are strictly adhered to, and it seems absurd to deny to the Government the paltry power of granting 60 Acres of Waste Land for a public purpose, without a previous reference to the Governor General in Council, who must be guided in his decision by their recommendation. The Government submit that no useful object would be lost and some unnecessary correspondence saved by the adoption of the course now proposed.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
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To
From Govt. of India
Dated 29 June/63
No. 1650
Pro. Ret. of Revenue dated 11th [illegible] 1863 No. 17

Referring ordered on Board's Proceedings submitting an application for endowments for certain Choultries in Salem District.

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