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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th June 1864.*

No. 151. Read the following letter from Captain R. H. BEDDOME, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to J.D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp Ootacamund, 3rd May 1864, No. 908 :—

SIR,

1. With reference to the Government Order No. 653 of the 18th of April, I have the honor to submit a copy of a letter from the Assistant Conservator of the Mudumallay Forests, giving full information on the proposed alterations requested in the Mudumally Establishment.

2. Kistnappah, the Manager of the Mudumallay Forest, is a most hard working, useful servant, and is certainly underpaid, I would therefore strongly recommend that his pay be increased as proposed by Major Morgan. His duties are those of an Overseer, and he might in future be styled a 3rd Class Overseer.

3. I also submit a Tabular Statement showing the present and proposed Establishments, as requested in paragraph 4 of the Government Order alluded to.

From Major H. R. MORGAN, in charge of Mudumallay Forest, to Captain R. H. BEDDOME, Officiating Conservator of Forests, dated Ootacamund, 2nd May 1864, No. 2.

SIR,

1. With reference to Order of Government No. 653 of 18th ultimo, I have the honor to offer further explanations on the subjects therein adverted to.

2. Paragraph 2. As we shall always have our Timber Depôt at Ootacamund the Timber Yard Writer is invariably required for the following reasons, viz., to receive wood from the Depôts in the Forest, &c., to measure the logs, to grant receipts to bandymen about 100 in number; to enter them in the books with their cubical contents; to despatch timber to Public works, such as Wellington Barracks, Lawrence Asylum, Gaols, &c., to sell timber to the public; to prepare bills for the amount of the same, to enter them in the Bill book, to keep a Ledger book showing the amount of work done by each bandyman against the advances made to them monthly; to submit reports weekly, and to deliver accounts at the Office daily and monthly. It would be impossible to have the above transactions conducted without a Writer.

2. The two Peons one of whom gives assistance to the Superintendent of Contractor's Carts to prevent the bandymen from hiring out their bullocks on the Seegur Ghât, and to see them regularly at work, and another is to be stationed above the Ghât to apprehend such bandymen who having taken advances to cart nothing but timber for Government, constantly cart rice, &c., for others. This cannot be discovered unless a Peon is kept for the very purpose. There is no addition to the Budget Estimate, only two Peons instead of Assistant to Superintendent of Contractor's Carts.

3. Paragraph 3. Provision has been made in my Budgets in every official year for the "Travelling Allowance" of the Karkana Manager, amounting to Rupees 120 per annum, and passed by the Government under the head of "Other Charges." It is disbursed every month on the receipt of advances from the Collector. The Manager has to travel about the forest, the roads of which are more than 50 miles, and cannot visit the various works on foot. In the sanctioned scale a sum of Rupees 30 only is provided for on account of his pay.

4. Paragraph 4. I have tried many Forest Managers, but of some five Kistnappah alone has remained for any time performing the work efficiently for the last six years, during which period his pay has not been increased from the original pay of 30 Rupees per mensem, which I think is inadequate for the trouble he takes in discharging the arduous and onerous duties entrusted to him; should this man have a better chance of increase of pay elsewhere, say from the Coffee Plantations, it would be very difficult for me to procure another man that could discharge the duty as he has done it. He has not only to look after the felling of timber, but also sawing, Elephants, work, Bullocks, work, Buffaloes, work, road work; issuing provision to workmen, such as Carpenters, Black Smiths, Coolies, &c., and in fact is my sole Overseer. In addition to his other numerous duties he has charge of a Teak Plantation.

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5. With reference to the latter part of paragraph 4 of the Order under reply, I beg to state the Budget Estimate for 1864-65 was prepared and submitted to the Central Office on 26th October 1863, when we were not in a position to commence a Teak Plantation, on which ground increase of pay to the Karkana Manager is sought for, and his request for the same was not set forth until a week previous to date of my former letter, consequently the above proposal was not provided for in the Budget for 1864-65.

6. Under these circumstances I trust that Government will be pleased to sanction the proposals I have solicited and shown in a Tabular Statement as directed in their G. O. under reply.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. H. BEDDOME, Captain,
Officiating Conservator of Forests.

No. 152.

ORDER THEREON, 13th June 1864, No. 1,009.

Forests.

1. In this letter the Officiating Conservator of Forests furnishes the explanation called for in the Order of Government, 18th April last, No. 653, respecting certain proposals made by him in connection with the Mudumallay Forest Establishment.

2. The proposals were—

First.—That a Timber Writer be employed on Rupees 14 a month.

Second.—That the office of Assistant to the Superintendent of Contractor's Carts on Rupees 12 be abolished, and two Peons entertained in lieu on Rupees 6 each per mensem.

Third.—That the Travelling Batta of the Karkhana Manager, viz., Rupees 120 per annum, hitherto paid out of the Contingent allowance, be hereafter drawn on Bills passed by the Civil Paymaster.

Fourth.—That the pay of this Manager (to be in future styled 3rd Class Overseer) be raised from Rupees 30 to 50 per mensem.

3. Under the circumstances explained, the Government approve these arrangements, and grant authority for their being carried into effect.

4. The charge on account of the Timber Writer, it is observed, is not a fresh one. It is provided for in the sanctioned* scale, but was not incurred† in 1863-64 as being then not necessary.

5. The Officiating Conservator will see that charges similar to that of Batta to the Manager referred to above are not hereafter paid as Office Contingencies.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests,
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant General.
„ the Civil Paymaster.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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The employment of a Timber Yard, writer in the
Mademallay Forest Establishment is most important;
as large quantities of Timber are now supplied from
the Government Depot for the construction of the new
Regiments. The Service of this writer not having been
required, the establishment was not full, and it was
instructed from the Secy of the Forest Establishment to forward
No. 22 with the Statement of Receipts and Charges of the
Forest concerning the same to the Government of
India in L.O. No 278 dated 22nd December 1863, as reported
in my letter No 687 dated 22nd September 1863, recorded
in L.O. dated 7th October 1863. No 1856.

Her Addressee Captain
off-9 Coors of Greys .

Memo of the proposed Establishment for the Mudumalai Forests.

1. The charge of the proposed Establishment is to take effect from the date of sanction.
- 2 & 3. No provision was made in the Budget for 1864-65, but the charge can be met from the savings in the Budget for that year.
4. The charge is permanent.
- 5 & 6. Savings none.
7. The charge is not shown in lump sum.

J. A. Reddome Captain

officiating Commissioner of
Forests.

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and 2nd sanction

1864-12-28/64

from

the 1st of January 1865.

to

the Secretary to Govt.

Madras District

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
under date the 13th June 1864.

Read the following
letter from the Off^r Conservator
of Forests.

Forwarding a Tabular
Statement proposed for the Muddumal-
lay Forest. (Here enter 3rd May 1864, No 908)

In this letter, the
Off^r Conservator of Forests
furnishes the explanation called
for in the Order of Government
18th April last No 653 re-
specting certain proposals
made by him in connection
with the Muddumal-
lay Forest establishment.

2 The proposals were
1st — That a timber writer be
employed on Pt 14 a month
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Have been from the Off^r Conservator
of Forests to the Secretary
Govt. Secy. Dept. of Forests.
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From the Off^r Conservator
of Forests to the
Secretary Govt.
15/1-1862

2nd — That the office of Assistant to the Superintendent of Contractors Carts on R¹/12 be abolished, and 2 Peons entertained in lieu on R¹/6 each per mensem.

3rd — That the travelling Batta of the Harkhana Manager, viz R¹/120 per annum, hitherto paid out of the Contingent allowances, be hereafter drawn on Bills passed by the Civil Paymaster.

4th — That the pay of this Manager (to be in future styled 3^d Class Overseer) be raised from R¹/30 to 30 per mensem.

3. Under the circumstances explained, the Gov^t

Government approve these arrangements and grant authority for their being carried into effect.

4. The charge on account of the Timber writer, it is observed, is not a fresh one. It is provided for in the sanctioned scale, but

14th June/62 N^o 13/12.

15th Dec^r/62 N^o 26/15 para 4. was not incurred in 1863-64 being then as not necessary.

5. The Off^r Conservator will see that charges similar to that of Batta to the Manager referred to above are not hereafter paid as ^{office} contingencies.

[Signature]

Off^r Conserv^r of Forests. Depe^r N^o 10
B^d of Revenue. N^o
Asst. General.
Civil Paymaster.

Revenue 1864 Deft.
Pro: of Govt for June.

N^o 1089.

Pro: of the Madras Govt.

Jy 13th June 1864

Pro No. 275-277
18-4-1864

From the Secretary to Govt
India 11 July 65 Cat 539.

Letter from the Conservator of Forests proposing certain alterations in the Mudumallay Forest establishment, approved.

N^o 151 & 152.