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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 16th January 1864.

No. 194. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th December 1863 :—

Read again letter to Honorable C. PELLY, dated 13th October 1863, No. 15, transferred to Board under date 15th October 1863.

Read also the following letter from G. BANBURY, Esq., Acting Collector of Madras, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Saidapet, 20th November 1863, No. 504.

SIR,

1. Agreeably to the request contained in the Board's Proceedings No. 7,225 of 13th instant, I submit the Tabular Statement showing the strength and rates of pay of the temporary Survey Establishment asked for, and the necessary instruments, the prices of which are probably to be found in the Board's Office.

2. There is, I regret to say, no item available in the Budget, to which we can charge the expenditure to be incurred. It might, I presume, be met from surplus Budget funds elsewhere; and should this Statement for 1863 and 1864, not yet have been finally made up, I would suggest that for next year, the provision may be duly entered before the Budget is submitted to the Supreme Government.

3. I would propose that the charge made for Survey be fixed at 4 Annas per Acre; this would most probably cover all charges, and should it not do so, we could subsequently increase the rates. I am not prepared to say, that the proposals for Casuarina tree planting alone would be sufficient to defray the Survey monthly expenditure; but I would, when opportunity offered, employ the Ameen and his party in the measurement of waste lands, tendered for upon full Tirwah Durkhásts. There are, notwithstanding our endeavours to accelerate disposals, now about 350 of these pending in the District, and we might select numerous cases in which the proposers would be only too ready to pay the stipulated Survey charges.

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1. Ordered to be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that the Acting Collector be authorized to entertain, as a temporary measure, the following Survey Establishment :—

		Rs.
1 Surveyor		40
2 Gumashtas at 15 Rupees		30
6 Measurers at 6 „		36
Total ...		106 monthly.

2. The expediency of converting this temporary Establishment into a permanent one, will be considered with the general question as affecting all Districts.

3. The planting operations to which Mr. Banbury refers as the principal reason for his present application, are of very great importance to the Presidency town, and should be facilitated by all means; but the Board do not consider preliminary Survey necessary before putting the applicants in possession of the land sought, although they fully recognize the expediency of obtaining accurate plans and measurements with the least possible delay.

4. The same remark applies still more forcibly to the cases of the ordinary Durkhast to which he alludes, and of which he states that there are 350 waiting disposal. When the parties are willing to pay the expense of a Survey, their disposition should be encouraged by all means, and no doubt very frequently the disposal of the Durkhast will be greatly facilitated by preliminary Survey, but this is not an essential condition for giving land on Durkhast, and Mr. Banbury must take care that it is not allowed to become an excuse for delay in the Talooks.

5. If sanctioned, the pay of the Establishment from 1st January 1864, to the close of the current official year can be met from the current provision for "Other items," under I Land Revenue in the Budget, and ample provision for the continuance of the charge has been made in the Budget for 1864-65.

6. Sanction for the issue of the necessary instruments from the Public Works Stores is also requested.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th January 1864.

No. 195. ORDER THEREON, 16th January 1864, No. 100.

The Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to whom the foregoing Proceedings will be communicated, is requested to state whether he can undertake the supervision of the proposed Survey party, and to give his opinion upon the Establishment and rates of pay proposed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

To the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
„ Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Board of Revenue.

Dated 9th
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Submitting a letter from the A.G. Coll of Madras & under the circumstances recommending that he may be authorized to entertain, as a temporary measure, the services of Survey Establishment amounting to Rs 106 monthly, & the exercise of the necessary instruments from the Public Stores -
Rs 100 - 16 Janry
With an order

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From the Supt of Rev Survey 27 Janry 64 No 262.

Copy with letter from the Coll of Madras sent to the Govt of India 22nd Feb 1861 -
No 341 -

No. 194 & 195.

No. 100.

The Superintendent Revenue Survey to whom the foregoing Proceedings will be communicated is requested to state whether he can undertake the supervision of the proposed survey party and to give his opinion upon the establishment and rates of pay proposed.

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Fort St George
16th Day 1864

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