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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1048 Press Mis.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 17th June 1864.

No. 226. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd June 1864, No. 3,393.

Read the following letters :—

From the Officiating Collector of Trichinopoly, dated 6th May 1864, No. 76.

With reference to your Official Memorandum of the 29th ultimo, I have the honor to state that as no additional establishment is necessary for the official year 1864-65, the estimate was not forwarded.

From the Collector of Nellore, dated Krishnapatnam, 9th May 1864, No. 123.

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Official Memorandum under date the 4th ultimo, No. 275, and to submit herewith the estimate of additional establishments for the official year 1864-65.

2. In explanation of the necessity of a total charge of Rupees 792 on account of additional establishment for the year 1864-65, I beg to state that a sum of Rupees 132 has been annually sanctioned for this District on account of wages of Sweepers, to clean the Salt Cutcherries; and as no provision has been made for Sweepers in the recent changes made in the Salt Department, the Deputy Collector in charge of the Salt Department considers it necessary, and I concur with him, to continue their services at a cost of Rupees 192 per annum.

3. It will be seen that an estimated charge of Rupees 192 has been made for two Shroffs; and on this subject I beg to state that the Deputy Collector in charge of the Salt Department has brought to my notice that much inconvenience is experienced from the want of either a Shroff or Clerk in the Sunnapuguntа salt division where the sales are said to be on the increase, whilst the services of a Shroff are also required at Devarampad, which has been incorporated in the recent re-arrangement with the Padarti division, without any provision being made for conducting the sales there.

4. The next charge is Rupees 360 on account of two Clerks for the Deputy Collector in charge of the Salt Department, who states that besides the supervision of the Sea Custom Department, he used to correspond with six Salt Superintendents, who by the recent revision have been increased to twelve, thus necessarily increasing his office work, to conduct which his present establishment is unequal, and under these circumstances, I beg to recommend the employment of two Clerks as applied for by him.

5. The last item of charge in the estimate is, for two temporary Peons for four months from December to March. Their services are required to prevent smuggling and destroy spontaneous salt near certain villages on the western borders of the Coromandel where the salt is produced; and the Peons will be under the orders of the Salt Superintendent of Sunnapugunta, to carry out these duties.

Enclosure No. 1.

Abstract.—Statement showing the actual charges incurred from May 1863 to April 1864, on account of additional establishment in the Nellore District.

Enclosure No. 2.

Abstract.—Estimate of charges proposed to be incurred on account of additional establishment in 1864-65 in Nellore District.

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1. The foregoing are the only letters relating to additional establishments required for 1864-65, on which the Board have to report to Government in continuation of their Proceedings dated 10th May 1864.

2. The Collector of Trichinopoly reports that no additional establishment is necessary for his District.

3. The Collector of Nellore submits an estimate for the items noted in the margin, at a cost of Rupees 792, but the Board are unable to recommend any of them for the sanction of Government, as the revised scale of establishment lately sanctioned by Government provides all that is needed for the Salt Department. When the new scale was framed, it was not contemplated that any extra establishment should in future be allowed for the Salt Department.

SALT.

	Rs.
12 Sweepers	192
2 Additional Shroffs at 8 Rupees each per month	192
2 Clerks at 15 Rupees each per month	360
2 Peons for four months at 6 Rupees each	48
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4. As regards the Sweepers, Mr. Dykes states that they are required to clean the Salt Cutcherries, as no provision was made for them in the recent changes made in the Salt Department; but from paragraph 7 of Mr. Pelly's letter to Government, dated 13th January 1863, No. 1,438, it will be seen that an additional Vetty on 5 Rupees a month was purposely allowed in his scheme for Nellore for sweeping and lighting, and for general work at the salt stations. The Salt Deputy Collector witl have the work done by these servants. In paragraph 30 of their Order dated 21st March 1863, No. 559, the Government distinctly stated that except at Madras, where there is a large office, they did not see the need of a Sweeper, and it was with reference to this order that Mr. Pelly increased the number of Vettyans for Divisions and stations, as reported in paragraph 9 of his letter to Government dated 14th April 1863. The attention of Mr. Dykes will be drawn to that letter.

5. The additional Shroffs and Clerks applied for by the Collector cannot be allowed. The new scale provides no Shroffs for stations where the sales are not very large: and as regards Clerks, the Salt Deputy Collector must conduct his duties with the establishment provided for him which is sufficiently liberal.

6. As regards the temporary Peons required for preventing smuggling and destroying spontaneous salt, the Board observe that the former work belongs to the Police, and that the latter is a contingent charge, which should be incurred as such whenever necessary and charged in the Contingent Bill submitted for audit to the Board.

7. The Collector submits a Statement of actual charges incurred in the Salt Department in 1863-64, though he does not allude to it in his letter. The amount is given as Rupees 138, being the pay of Sweepers employed at certain Salt stations. The Statement however shows that the actual charge incurred from May 1863 to January 1864, is Rupees 103-8-0, and that the amount estimated for disbursement in February, March, and April 1864, is Rupees 34-8-0. The Board do not understand why the pay of the Sweepers from February 1864 still remains undisbursed if they were employed. Their services cannot be continued after 30th April 1864; but the Board recommend that the entire sum of Rupees 138 be sanctioned.

No. 227. ORDER THEREON, 17th June 1864, No. 1,018.

Separate Revenue, No. 15.
Salt.

1. The Government concur with the Board of Revenue in disallowing the temporary establishment proposed by the Colector of Nellore for 1864-65.

2. Sanction is granted for Rupees (138) one hundred and thirty-eight, the amount of charges actually incurred in 1863-64.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 1048.
15.

The Govt concur with the Board of Revenue in disallowing the temporary establishment proposed by the Collector of Nellore for 1864/65.

2 Sanction is granted for Rs. 138 one hundred & thirty eight the amount of charges actually incurred in 1863/64.

Fort St George
17th June 1864.

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Pro. 2d/19th January/63 N. 229 to 232
---- 2d March/63 N. 225
---- 29th April/63 N. 277 to 279
---- 2d December/63 N. 43444
6 N. 1221 of 1864

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 3rd June 1864.

Rec'd 7th
Rec'd 8th
Ex. 9th Rep

No. 3,393.

Board's Pro. 9th May/65 C. N. 1213

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Submitting with remarks letters from the Collectors of Trichinopoly and Nellore, on the subject of additional Establishments required for the official year 1864-65.

N. 226 & 227.

With an order

C. Vellore/22 R.