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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
14th July 1864.

No. 239. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th June 1864, No. 3,683.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Nellore, dated Krishnapatnam, 29th April 1864, No. 111:—

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, with the Board's binder of the 10th ultimo, of the Orders of Government of the 13th November 1861, No. 2,161, Revenue Department.

2. These orders provide for transfers of enfranchised Ináms. I have the honor to request the Board's orders for their division.

3. On general principles, I would oppose division of Ináms. But cases do arise where such powers as required; and I therefore beg the Board will be pleased to lay down rules on the subject.

4. For instance in Nellore we have paid Rupees 165 for Acres 1 and Guntas 4¾ of land to build a reading room on. We are now building the room at a cost probably of 2,000 Rupees. We cannot buy the whole Inám, for it is of large extent; and whilst for the same reason there is a difficulty in getting any other suitable site in the neighbourhood, on the other hand, if we do not buy the whole Inám, any day we may find ourselves very unpleasantly situated. There may be arrears. There often are arrears when there is valuable property not the property of those responsible for the assessment. The course to be pursued in such cases has been pointed out very clearly by the Secretary to Government in the Revenue Department; * and the result would be, if division be not allowed, the Committee would find themselves involved in very considerable difficulties, and it would be very difficult to effect satisfactory arrangements.

* Sell the land.

5. Nothing can be worse than our minute sub-divisions of land; and as a rule, as I have said before, I would steadily oppose any measure tending in that direction. But, where large Ináms lie near towns, and are required for building sites, or special t would be for the convenience of the community to allow it; and to this extent therefore I beg to recommend division of Ináms be allowed, subject, should the Board think fit, to each case of division of Inám being made a special report to themselves, and the measure of course confined to enfranchised Ináms.

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1. Ordered to be submitted for the consideration of Government. The question is as to the course to be pursued when a sub-division of an enfranchised Inám is desired so as to relieve the owner of the sub-division from more than his fair and proper share of the liability to pay the Government quit-rent. An equitable arrangement on fixed principles for this purpose is evidently very desirable to give the owners of such favorably assessed properties the full benefit of the recent liberal policy of Government in regard to these tenures.

2. The Board do not think that such sub-divisions are at all likely to be carried to an objectionable extent, and they would recommend that Collectors be authorized to recognize and register them when the sub-division is not of less extent than a single survey field of the minimum size, and to apportion the quit-rent on the same principle, as is prescribed in the case of Zemindary lands, so that the quit-rent on the sub-division shall bear the same proportion to the charge on the whole Inám, as its assessed value bears to the entire assessment.

3. The same course might be permitted for smaller plots required for building purposes, with the additional condition that the quit-rent chargeable on the sub-division must be redeemed.

No. 240. Order thereon, 14th July 1864, No. 1,236.

Miscellaneous.

The holders of enfranchised Ináms assume the position of ordinary proprietors of land in Ryotwarry Districts, and sub-divisions of Ináms should be treated similarly to sub-divisions of the Ryotwarry holdings.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Acting Inám Commissioner.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 3,683.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. W. B. Dykes, Esq., Collector of Nellore.

Exd. J. Wright.

Rec'd 18th November 1867

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 17th June 1864.

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No. 3,683.

Submitting for consideration, with remarks, a letter from the Collector of Nellore making certain observations regarding the transfer of enfranchised Inams.

No 1236 14th July
Withdrawn

No 230 & 240.
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No. 1236.

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Govt. Wt. George
14th July 1864.

To the Board of Revenue Despatch
" " Inam Commission