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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 20th September 1864.

No. 270. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st September 1864, No. 5,672.

Read the following letter from E. B. FOORD, Esq., Acting Collector of the Kistna District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 23rd December 1863, No. 277:—

1. With reference to your letter of the 14th ultimo, No. 7,275, I have the honor to report for the information of the Board, that the permanent Sunnud was personally delivered by me to the Zemindar on the 18th instant, and a Kabuliat at the same time taken from him, which will be forwarded by Banghy.

2. The Zemindar represents that some revision is needed in the Peishkush fixed on his Estate. His Petition on the subject is herewith enclosed.

3. It appears from a reference to the public accounts in this Cutcherry, that although the average collections of the Petitioner's Vantu, or share in the Nundigama Estate, from the years 1776 to 1784, were estimated by the Circuit Committee at Rupees 25,342, they added Rupees 11,739 to the assets of the whole Estate.

4. The superior Zemindar accordingly collected from the Petitioner's ancestors the proportionate share of the said Rupees 11,739, viz., Rupees 2,126, which Petitioner now prays may be deducted from the Peishkush now fixed on his Estate, that is, that he should be called upon to pay only Rupees 15,374.

5. The Petitioner is evidently in error in asserting, that "the Head Zemindar, Vassereddy "Venkatadry Naidoo, *for his own benefit* increased the Peishkush on the whole Nandigama Estate "to Rupees 11,739," as any increase in the Peishkush was manifestly to his disadvantage.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 & 2.— Petition and Kabuliat.

1. Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government, with reference to their Proceedings, dated 18th July 1863, No. 1,320, Revenue Department. The Kabuliat will be lodged in the Board's records.

2. The Board have carefully considered the Zemindar's claim to a further reduction in his Peishkush, but see no reason to recommend it. They annex Extracts from the Reports of the Circuit Committee in 1737, and of the Special Commission in 1802, which will explain the settlement of the original Nundigama Zemindary in which the Chintalapaty Vantu was included. It will be seen that the Circuit Committee, on very untrustworthy information, estimated the gross revenue at Star Pagodas 39,963, exclusive of Sayer. Two-thirds of this revenue would have given Rupees 93,253 as the Peishkush. The Special Commission in 1802 recommended that the Peishkush should be fixed at Rupees 1,05,000, which was adopted by Government, and the proportionate share of this Peishkush was charged on the Chintalapaty Vantu by the Zemindar of Nundigama.

3. The arrangment was a perfectly equitable one, and there seems no reason to suppose that the Special Commissioner's settlement was oppressive, for up to the death of Jugganadha Babu, the Vasareddy Zemindar, of whose Estates the Nundigama Zemindary formed part, which event occurred in 1825, and for many years after the Estates paid the Government revenue without difficulty. The Board therefore see no reason to think that the Peishkush now charged on the recently created Chintalapaty Zemindary, viz., Rupees 17,500, is disproportioned to the original estimate of its value, or at all needs to be further reduced.

4. The Collector should explain to the Zemindar his mistake in supposing that the increase made at the permanent settlement in 1802, was the arbitrary act of the Nundigama Zemindar for his personal advantage.

No. 271. ORDER THEREON, 20th September 1864, No. 1,715.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

ANNEXURE No. 1.

Extract from Report of the Committee of Circuit on the Rajahmundry Circar, dated 15th February 1787.

Paragraph 26. Nundigama lies north-west of Condapillee about ten coss, and belongs to Vassareddy Vencatadry Naidoo, who is also Zemindar of Chintapilly, on the opposite side of the Kistna in the Guntoor Circar. It consists of three Purgunnas containing one-hundred and twenty-three villages. The produce is principally jonaloo and other dry grains with a little paddy and cotton. The manufactures are only such cloths as are used by the natives. There are two small streams running through this country, which are only sufficient for the watering gardens and for the raising a small quantity of paddy. It was with great difficulty we could obtain these accounts, and were under the necessity of applying to Government for a letter to the Zemindar. From what has since come to our knowledge we cannot place any great dependence on the authenticity of those we have now the honor to forward you. The Zemindar, upon our first application, sent for all the Curnums to Chintapilly, where after detaining them some time under pretence of assembling them in order to be sent to us, they were dismissed to their respective countries, so that it was near three months before he would permit them to attend us.

Note.—This is the Chintalapaty Vantu. W. H.

Letchmeputty Naidoo, a cousin of the present Zemindar, possesses twenty-two villages of the Nandigama Purgunna, and pays six thousand Pagodas tribute to his relation.

General Abstract of Government Collections, &c, in the Zemindar of Nandigama.

	Number of villages.	Number of inhabitants.	Number of looms.	Jerayaty villages average of eight years.	Mockasa villages average of eight years.	Merassey villages average of eight years.	Agraharam villages average of eight years.	Total.	Deduction of of village Saderwary average of eight years.	Net amount of revenue.
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N. B.—The Village Saderwary in this Zemindary is not included in Government collections, the amount on an average of eight years to M. Ps. 4,348-2-4.

(Signed) HUGH MAXWELL,
Secretary.

ANNEXURE No. 2

Extract from the Report to Government of the Special Commissioners, dated 27th September 1802.

Nundigama—See Statement No. 24.

Paragraph 46. At the time when the Committee of Circuit obtained the accounts of this Zemindary Vassareddy, the Zemindar was scarcely subject to our Government, generally residing at Chintapilly in the Guntoor Circar then subject to Hydrabad; and the Committee not only found great difficulty in obtaining any accounts, but seemed to consider those actually furnished to have been fabricated. The gross revenue was thereby estimated at M. Pagodas 36,635. The Collector estimates it at M. Pagodas 47,755 (a) founded on accounts given by a claimant to the Zemindary, whose information cannot be supposed to be impartial, as it appears that he hoped to obtain the country by out-bidding his relation. Mr. Read however observes that it is supported by the opinions of the best informed natives.

(a) 24th April 1801, paragraph 30. In Cons. 15th September 1802.

47. We think it more prudent to adopt the medium of the two accounts; and recommend that the Jumma may be fixed at 30,000 Star Pagodas, being Pagodas 3,063 less than two-thirds of the highest estimate, but Star Pagodas 3,134 above the present Jumma after deducting the Sayer resumed. We have also the satisfaction to observe that it is 800 Pagodas below the sum, which in conversation with the Collector, Vassareddy appears to have been willing (b) to consent to pay; which we consider to be at the same time a proof of moderation and a security for the regular discharge of the revenue founded on the punctuality which he has always observed in his engagements.

(b) Paragraph 35.

No. 2A.

Extract from the Statement showing the value of the Zemindaries in the 4th Division at former periods, the permanent Jummah proposed by the Collector and by the Special Commission.

Number of villages.	Names of the Zemindaries and Zemindars.	Gross value by the Committee of Circuit including Sayer.	Gross value, the result of the Collector's investigation.	Deduct Sayer as estimated by the Committee of Circuit.	Gross revenue deducting Sayer.	Two-thirds of Column 4, the gross revenue deducting Sayer.	Proposed permanent Jummah including Rozina by the Commission.	Present Jummah including Sayer.	Permanent settlement proposed by the Collector exclusive of pension.	Pension to the relation of the Zemindars not included in the Jummah payable out of their own income, but through the Collector for the sake of regularity.
		1	2	3	4	5	6.	7	8	9
		Star Pags.	Star Pags.	Star Pags.	Star Pags.	Star Pags.	Star Pags.	Star Pags.	Star Pags.	Star Pags.
123	Nundigama Vassareddy Vencatadry Naidoo.	A 40,298	B 52,526	A 330 B 1,980	A 39,968 B 50,546	A 26,646 B 33,698	30,000	26,866	33,000	1,200

Enclosures in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue to the Secretary to Government R.D. dated 1st September 1864 No. 5672

Rec. on 23rd Sept 64

Extracts from the Report of the Circuit Committee in 1787 & of the Special Commission in 1802.

No. 5,672.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

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

Copy to G. Thornhill, Esq., Collector of the Kistna District.

Exd. J. Wright.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Submitting with remarks letter from the Collector of the Kistna District reporting the delivery of the Permanent Sunnud to the Zemindar of Chintalapaty Vantu and to the taking of a Kabuliat from him.

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