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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 23rd May 1864.

No. 270. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th November 1863, No. 7,455.

Read the following letter from J. I. MINCHIN, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd October 1863, No. 168:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to report on the Petition of Pacha Bee, No. 2,182 of 1863.

2. After the assumption of the District one Gazy Shah, who had received a certain allowance from the Nawab for distribution to the poor, and for his own support, was transferred to the Yeomiah List, and on his decease, Government in their Order of the 25th August 1856, No. 893, continued a portion of the Yeomiah to his widows, but directed that the allowance of Rupees 48-12-0, paid monthly to the late Gazy Shah for distribution to the poor, should cease.

3. In the year 1842, Mr. Bayley, then Commissioner, found that a portion of the allowance of Rupees 48-12-0 made to Gazy Shah, had been always enjoyed by Zoke Shah, the husband of the Petitioner, and directed that a daily allowance of Annas 3-3 should be paid out of that sum to the said Zoke Shah.

4. This Zoke Shah is a different individual to the Shouke Shah, brother of Gazy Shah, to whose widow also a Yeomiah was granted in the Government Order above quoted.

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6. The case of Zoke Shah was brought to the notice of Government in paragraph 10 of Mr. Scott's letter dated 25th October 1843, this person being the Fakeer there alluded to, as enjoying one-eighth of Gazy Shah's allowance. This fact was again brought to notice in Mr. Phillips' letter to the Board dated 24th May 1848, but no Orders of Government on the subject were ever received.

7. When the Order of Government dated 25th August 1856, No. 893, directing the allowance of Rupees 48-12-0 to be stopped, was received in the Office of the Officiating Agent, the case of Zoke Shah, who was supported out of that allowance, should again have been brought forward, but such does not appear to have been the case; the Order of Government stopping the allowance was by an oversight not acted upon, and the usual payment was continued to be made to Zoke Shah.

8. On the death of Zoke Shah, in January of this year, the case came before me for the first time. So much time had elapsed that it was difficult to obtain any information about it, and the similarity of the names Zoke Shah and Shouke Shah added to the complications which it seemed, at first impossible to unravel.

9. It was clear only that the payment of the allowance to Zoke Shah, from the date of the Government Order dated 25th August 1856, No. 893, had been unauthorized, and I refused therefore to entertain the Petition of his widow Pacha Bee for a continuance of a portion of the same for her support.

10. Upon a further consideration of the case I am of opinion that the Petitioner should not suffer for an error committed in the Office of the Agent. Her husband, the Fakeer Zoke Shah, was equally entitled with Gazy Shah and Shouke Shah to maintenance out of the allowance as reported by the Commissioners, Messrs. Scott and Phillips, and there is no reason why the precedent afforded in the case of Shouke Shah's widow should not be now acted upon.

11. The Petitioner Pacha Bee is destitute and has one widowed daughter: I beg therefore to recommend that an allowance of Rupees 3 monthly be granted to her for life, from the date of her husband's death.

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No. 271. ORDER THEREON, 23rd May 1864, No. 886.

1. The Government have carefully considered the circumstances of the case, but do not find sufficient cause for recommending to the Government of India that the pension proposed by the Board should be assigned to Pacha Bee.

2. Should special sanction be at any time required by the Civil Paymaster for payments made to Zoke Shah, it will be given on application.

3. The following Endorsement will be passed on Petition 2,182 of 1863:—

"The Government have considered Petitioner's request but are unable to comply with it."

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue,
Endorsement to the Petitioner.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Board's Pro:
25 Nov 1863
No. 7455.

It appears that Zoke Shah drew a Pension what he was not entitled to - Why should his widow receive a Pension?
I think the matter had better rest as it is - Did not receive what may have been paid to Zoke Shah - whether all events was a mistake on the part of the Collector

I would let things alone if special sanction be at any time required by CP for payment made to Zoke Shah, it may be given & post on application -

From Mr Scott's Govt dy 30 Oct 1843 - No. 47 - para 10.

1. In these Proceedings the Board recommend a reconsideration of the order of Govt dy 25 Aug. 1856 No. 893 in so far as it affected the allowance paid to the late Zoke Shah, and also that a pension of 3 Rs per mensem should be granted to Pacha Bee widow of the said Zoke Shah from the date of his death in January 1863.

2. Among the allowances discovered in the Kurnool District while that territory was under the rule of the Nabob was a sum of Rs. 1482-13-0 paid to two fakeers, Tofak Ali Shah and Fazy Shah, as Trustees on account of pious travellers. These Trustees were of course expected "to help themselves" out of these funds. The Agent in Kurnool in reporting on various allowances says of these two men "the former of these is "a very old man; the latter "he was formerly one of "the Tahsildars of the

"of the late Nawab &
"subsequently became one
"of his favorite Peerzadehs.
"I understand that this
"charity is much abused
"and it would be impos-
"sible to maintain an
"efficient supervision
"without an establish-
"ment for the purpose.
"One eighth of the allow-
"ance allotted to Gazy
"Shah has always been
"enjoyed by another fa-
"keer, & also he himself
"was in high favor with
"the Nawab I would
"beg to recommend that
"he as well as the fakeer
"above mentioned be
"transferred to the Gen-
"eral List, & be allowed,
"the former (Gazy Shah)
"half the present allow-
"ance received by him
"on account of the Trav-
"ellers, & the latter the
"same sum that he
"is now enjoying, the
"remaining half of
"Gazy Shah's allowance
"& fakeer to Syd. Ro-
"stom ali Shah cannot
"be very long in Syd.
"therefore he to sell

"to let him keep his al-
"lowance for the remain-
"der of his days undis-
"turbed."

3. No distinct order appear to have been passed on this recommendation: Judging from the pencil notes recorded on the original letter the members of Govt appear to have been in favor of leaving things as they then were.

* E. M. C. 3 Feb 1844 No. 93.

4. The above named Fateh Ali Shah died on the 22nd Feb 1849. Mr Scott in reporting this event recommended that the sum drawn by him (Rs. 1482-13-0) should be reduced a sum only being sanctioned therefore and assigned for the repair & future maintenance of Chowltries throughout the District.

* 27 April 1849

subsequent Resolutions
thereon, Mr Phillips, Secretary to Govt N.W.P. transmitted a letter from Agent N.W.P. dated 14 April 1848 × with Enclosures

5. The Board in reviewing the case observed that the division of the allowance proposed by Mr Scott in 1843 was as follows.

To Fakr Ali during life	889	11 0
Gazy Shah	259	7 10½
Another Fakeer (name not given)	74	2 3
To be resumed	259	7 10½
Total	1482	13 0

and that though no such Order had, as far as they knew, been sanctioned by Govt, Mr Scott's letter of 27 April 1843 stated that Fakr Ali Shah was at the time of his death in receipt of Rs. 889-11-0 per annum. They therefore asked whether Gazy Shah and the other Fakeer were alive & if so what allowances they drew from the Fund.

6. The Agent replied * that both Gazy Shah & the other Fakeer whose

× Agent N.W.P. Board 14 April 1848.

θ To Govt 18 May 1848.

* 24 May 1848.

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* 3 July 1848. No. 340.

* 27 July 1848. No. 810.

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Comd to B. of Rev. 7 Sept 1848. 20978.

name was Zouk Shah were alive & drawing the sums which they were in receipt of when Mr Scott addressed Govt.

7. This Correspondence was forwarded by the Board to Govt with the recommendation that the allowance of 73-2-0 per mensem paid to the late Tofah Ali should be resumed & in lieu thereof an allowance of 30 Rs per mensem be granted for the establishment of a Langurkhana for the relief of the destitute.

8. Such a recommendation was accordingly made * to the Govt of India and received the sanction of that authority.

9. Gazy Shah died on the 21st October 1853 and in reporting on the various inams which had been in the enjoyment of this man and a Brother

of his, alias deceased, name Zoke Shah, the Collector mentioned that "Gazy Shah received "for distribution to the "poor the sum of Rs. "48-12-0 a month, half "of which he expended "on himself and fami- "ly." His allowance was ordered to be stop- ped, the widows of the deceased being pro- vided for by the tem- porary continuance of the Jeomah enjoyed by their late deceased hus- band.

10. From the Collector's letter recorded in the Proceedings now un- der review it appears that the monthly sum of Rs. 48-12-0 thus ordered to be resumed was the share of the ori- ginal allowance drawn by Gazy Shah and the Fakeer referred to in the preceding paragraphs. Notwith- standing the order of this Fakeer, Zoke Shah

* 22 April 1856. No. 29.

* G.O. 25 August 1856. No. 893.

see para 6. above

518-15-9	Gazy Shah
74-2-3	Zoke Shah
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(a different man from the brother of Gazy Shah who now also called Zoke Shah) con- tinued to draw his allowance of Canara 3-3 per diem or 74 Rs. old per annum until his decease in January 1863, and then only did it come to notice that there was an order under which it should have been stopped altogether. Had the circumstances of the case been known in 1856, his share would doubtless have been exempted from re- emption during his life. The Board recom- mend that the order of 25 August 1856 be reconsidered in so far as it affects the allowance paid to the late Zoke Shah. There can be no ob- jection if it is thought neces- sary - but at this time of day is it necessary that formal sanction

should be accorded for payment made in former years.

11. The Board's other recommendation is that a life allowance of Rs 3 per mensem be granted to Pacha Bee widow of the late Zoke Shah, with effect from the date of his decease. The Collector's reasons for proposing this are given in para 10 of his letter d/ 22 Oct 1863. I do not quite see the force of them. He seems to be under the impression that the widow of Shouke Shah referred to by him got a pension. Had she obtained one I do not see that she would have any thing to do with this case. But the order of 25th August 1856 merely allowed the continuance of a yomiah & had no connection with this particular charitable allowance. However there is this similarity that both are dead. Will the Government sanction the allowance for Pacha?

Yes. pro formâ or the Civil Auditor must retrench.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

R A Dalyell

Sub-Secretary.

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

Copy to J. I. Minchin, Esq., Collector of Kurnool.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Proc. of Govt for May

No. 1279/64.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 25th November 1863.

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Rec'd 16th May 1864.

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No. 7,455.

Submitting the report of the Collector of Kurnool on Petition No. 2,182 of 1863 seeking the continuance of a certain allowance to Petitioner.

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No 886. 28th May

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The following endorsement will be passed in Petition 2182 of 1863.

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Govt 18th May 64