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20th June 1865.

No. 422. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th June 1865, No. 3,085.

Read the following letter from T. A. N. CHASE, Esq., Sub-Collector in charge of the Godavery District, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Narsapur, 21st March 1865, No. 44 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward Statements Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, regarding the compensation for lands taken up for public purposes by channels, embankments, &c., in this District.

2. Statement No. 1. shews the amount of compensation due to the Inámdars and Proprietors for Fusly 1273 for lands occupied by channels, &c., as entered in the sanction of Government, dated 23rd February 1864, No. 325. The amount payable on that account annually to Proprietors for Zirayati lands has been permanently remitted from their Peishcush for Fusly 1274, as specified in Statements A, and B. and paragraph 12 of that Order.

3. Statement No. 2 shews the extent of land* occupied by channels, &c., before the close of Fusly 1269; its assessment; and the amount of compensation due up to Fusly 1273. Those were not included in the above-mentioned sanction, as stated in paragraph 8 of Mr. Morris's letter, No. 297, dated 21st September 1863, recorded in the Board's Proceedings, No. 7,630 of 4th September 1863.

* A. 648 C. 79

4. Statement No. 3 exhibits the quantity of land† taken up from Fusly 1,270 to 1373; its assessment; and the amount of compensation payable up to Fusly 1273. I request sanction for the disbursement of Rupees 35,087-1-4; ‡ the amount of compensation as entered in the Statements Nos. 1, 2, and 3; and for deducting from the Peishcush the amount of annual assessment, being Rupees 319-9-7, on the Proprietary lands, as specified in the Statements Nos. 2 and 3.

† A. 663, O. 73.

		Rs.	A.	P.
2 Statement No. 1...	—	15,457	6	10
Do. 2...	—	15,422	2	10
Do. 3...	—	4,207	7	8
Total...	—	35,087	1	4

5. Statement No. 4 exhibits the total extent of land due to the Inámdars, and its assessment as entered in the Statements Nos. 1, 2, and 3; the land given in exchange; and the land still due; and its assessment, being Rupees 3,881-15-1. I request sanction for the sum of Rupees 77,638-13-8 to pay to the Inámdars in full all their claims, it being twenty years' purchase money at Rupees 3,881-15-1 a year. There are still some more lands taken up by channels from Fusly 1270 to 1273, and which have not been included in the Statement No. 3, owing to the non-receipt of the detailed accounts from the Talooks. As soon as they are received a separate Statement will be submitted.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement (No. 1) shewing the amount of compensation due to Inámdars, &c., for Fusly 1273 for lands taken up for channels and other Public Works.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

ABSTRACT.—Abstract (No. 2) shewing the lands occupied by channels and embankments in the Godavery District up to Fusly 1269.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

ABSTRACT.—Statement (No. 3) shewing the amount of compensation for lands occupied by channels in the Godavery District from Fusly 1270 to 1273.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

ABSTRACT.—Statement (No. 4) shewing the total extent of land due to Inámdars, and its assessment as entered in Statements Nos. 1, 2, and 3; the land given in exchange, and the land still due, and its assessment up to Fusly 1273.

1. With this letter the Sub-Collector in charge of the Godavery District submits certain Statements* connected with the question of compensation due to Inámdars and others, on account of lands taken up for public purposes.

* Numbered 1, 2, 3, and 4.

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2. The last correspondence on this subject was received in the Order of Government, dated 23rd February 1864, No. 325, which authorized the disbursement of Rupees 1,19,916-8-6, on account of compensation payable up to Fusly 1272.

3. Mr. Chase's present letter refers to compensation due up to the end of Fusly 1273: (1) for the lands entered in the former Statements as still remain to be exchanged; (2), for lands omitted to be entered in those Statements (*Vide* paragraph 7 of Government Order, dated 23rd February 1864,) but which was taken up prior to Fusly 1269; and, (3) for lands taken up between Fuslies 1270 and 1273. The Sub-Collector in charge further adverts to the question of the best mode of terminating, once for all, these annual payments.

4. First as to compensation payable for past years.

5. Statement No. 1 is based upon Statements A, B, and C, forwarded with Board's Proceedings, dated 4th December 1863, and which are summarized in the Statement subjoined to paragraph 3 of Government Order, of 23rd February 1864. The extent which then remained to be settled by exchange, and the assessment thereon, will be found in the subjoined Statement. The amount payable for Fusly 1273 is at the same rate as for previous years; but a deduction of Rupees 418-14-6 is made in consequence of certain useless channels having been cultivated during the Fusly so that the actual amount payable is Rupees 15,457-6-10.

Items.	Taken up.	Extent.			Assessment.		
		Acres.			Rs.	A.	P.
Inams in Government villages.....	Before 1265.	273	17	7	994	8	9
	" 1269.	1,082	24	13	3,146	0	5
		1,356	2	3	4,140	2	2
Inams in proprietary villages.....	Before 1265.	540	32	10	2,006	7	10
	" 1269.	1,029	10	6	4,243	9	11
		1,569	42	16	6,249	16	11
Jeroyati land in pr.....	Before 1265.	359	36	5	2,254	0	4
	" 1269.	1,126	15	8	4,851		7
		1,486	11	13	7,105	15	1
Add Inams in Dowlishweram.....		105	30	15	386	2	4
Grand Total...		3,977	15	5	15,876	5	4

6. Statement No. 2 comprizes compensation amounting to Rupees 15,422-2-10, due up to Fusly 1273 on acres 649-79, bearing an assessment of Rupees 1,789-5-1, which extent has been occupied at various times between Fuslies 1253 and 1269. This land has not been entered in any previous statement, because, as explained by Mr. Morris in 1863, the accounts had not been received from the Talooks.

	Acres.		Rs.	A.	P.
Dry...	508	85	1,404	16	11
Wat...	141	04	385	6	2
	649	79	1,789	5	1

From Collector to Board, 21st September 1863, No. 297.

7. Statement No. 3 includes the compensation due from Fusly 1270 to Fusly 1273 on lands occupied between those years. Acres 563-7-3, assessed at Rupees 1,747-3-2, have been taken up, and the compensation due for the four years in question amounts to Rupees 4,207-7-8. This Statement, however, does not include the whole of the land taken up during this period; for it appears from the last paragraph of Mr. Chase's letter, that there still remains, unreported on, a further extent of Inam, the omission of which from the present Statement arises from the non-receipt of the detailed accounts from the Talooks.

8. The Board must observe, that the excuse given is not a satisfactory one. More than a year before the present Report was submitted, the Government had issued* stringent orders recording the dissatisfaction with which they

* 23rd February 1864, No. 323.

regarded the course hitherto pursued in the Godavery District in respect to these claims, and desiring a final disposal of them at the earliest possible date. The Board regret to find that so little attention has been paid to the wishes of Government.

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9. The total amount of compensation for past years, or up to the end of Fusly 1273, is as follows:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Statement No. 1	15,547	6	10
" " 2	15,422	2	10
" " 3	4,207	7	8
Total...	35,087	1	4

and for the disbursement of this sum to the parties interested, the sanction of Government is now solicited.

10. The Board considered it desirable, as the sum provided in last year's Budget would otherwise not be available, to authorize the Sub-Collector in charge to disburse the amount above-mentioned in anticipation of sanction, and the telegram† marginally given was accordingly despatched to the District before the close of the last official year. They trust that this proceeding will meet the approval of Government.

† 27th April 1865, No. 2,135.

Debit to Public Works Remittances, under the column Unadjusted, Rupees thirty-five thousand and one hundred as compensation for lands taken up for Public Works, and credit the same in deposit account, pending the orders of the Collector. Referring also to Board's Proceedings, dated 20th April 1865, No. 1,969, whatever portion of the sum of Rupees 1,19,916, sanctioned by Government on 23rd February 1864 remains unpaid, it should be at once drawn and charged in the accounts in the manner above mentioned.

11. The Board now proceed to consider Mr. Chase's proposal as regards terminating these annual payments.

12. The Sub-Collector in charge has taken advantage of all four modes suggested in paragraph 12, Government Order, 23rd February 1864, No. 325, and where he has been unable to assign either Jeroyati, or waste land, in lieu, he proposes remission of Peishcush, and the purchase of individual right by a lump payment.

13. The Board, however, have been unable to reconcile Mr. Chase's figures with the actual state of the case, and they are, therefore, obliged to refer the matter again to the District for fuller explanation.

14. *Remission of Peishcush.*—Mr. Chase does not give the amount, which, as stated in paragraph 2 of his letter, with reference to Statement No. 1, has been permanently remitted from the Peishcush of Proprietors on account of Jeroyati lands taken up in their villages. From the Abstract in paragraph 5 of these Proceedings, the Board, however, observe that the assessment on such lands amounts, to Rupees 7,105-15-11. The Sub-Collector in charge will state whether this is correct.

15. Again in paragraph 4 of his letter, Mr. Chase gives the amount of annual assessment on the proprietary lands specified in Statements 2 and 3 at the sum of Rupees 319-9-7. But the total assessment on these lands, as entered in the Statements themselves (see margin) amounts to Rupees 854-6-9. Omitting the sums marked (a), the total would be as given by Mr. Chase; but the reason for such omission is not apparent, and should be explained.

16. *Purchase by a lump payment.*—The method in which Mr. Chase arrives at the sum of Rupees 3,881-5-1 as the assessment of the land still unprovided for by exchange, is explained in paragraph 5 of his letter. It is supposed to represent the annual value of the balance of land occupied after deducting the Jeroyati and waste given in exchange. But the Board are unable, from the Statement forwarded, to discover how the Sub-Collector in charge has calculated the extent of "land occupied" as given in Statement No. 4. The extent occupied as per Statement No. 1 is said to be Acres 2,404 Guntas 59; but referring to the Abstract of that Statement as given, in paragraph 5 supra, it would appear that the total land occupied after deducting the extent,† on account of which (being Jeroyati land in proprietary Estates) a due proportion of Peishcush has been permanently remitted, is Acres 2,491-3-8, with an assessment of Rupees 8,770-5-4.

17. Again, the land occupied, as per Statement No. 2, is said to be Acres 52-77, assessed at Rupees 170-11-7. But referring to that Statement, it is observed that this extent is comprised in the Talooks of Ramachendrapur, Amlapur, and Cocanada, belonging to the Collector's Division, and that Inam lands in the Sub-division Talooks of Nurapur, Undi, and Tunuku are left unnoticed, though of very large extent. In the same way, the land occupied as per Statement No. 3 is put at Acres 217-62, assessed at Rupees 672-6-3;

Acres.	G.	C.	Rs.	A.	P.
2,404	59		8,977	15	8
1,956	11	13	7,105	15	11
2,491	3	8	8,770	5	4

Acres.	Guntas.	Rs.	A.	P.
48	13	1,323	5	0

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whereas Statement No. 3 shows a considerable extent of Inam land both in Government and proprietary villages in the Sub and Deputy Collector's Divisions, which has been occupied over and above that entered in Statement No. 4.

18. It is obvious from the foregoing remarks, that Statement No. 4 does not, as it professes, shew the "total extent of land due to Inam-dars and its assessment as entered in Statements Nos. 1, 2, and 3;" nor, deducting the land given in exchange, and amounting in both Jeroyati and waste to Acres 1,523-85, assessed at Rupees 5,482-11-9, does it shew "the land still due and its assessment up to Fusly 1273."

19. Mr. Chase's recommendation, that a sum of Rupees 77,639 should be disbursed in full of all claims for land still remaining to be exchanged, being at the rate of twenty years purchase of the annual assessment, cannot therefore be submitted for the sanction of Government, as it does not really represent the total purchase money at the rate specified of the land still due. It does not, moreover, appear on what grounds this particular rate has been proposed; whether, in short, it is that at which land usually sells in the Godavery District. The Collector can easily discover what value is put upon land whether assessed or tax free, and should regulate his propositions accordingly. He will lose no time in making the necessary inquiries.

20. The Board request that the Collector will, without delay, furnish the information required by these Proceedings. The report under review is most meagre, as well as incorrect.

No. 423.

ORDER THEREON, 20th June 1865, No. 1,376.

Miscellaneous.

1. The papers will be transferred to the Public Works Department, in view to sanction being given for the charge of Rupees 35,087-1-4, which amount it is observed has already, in anticipation of sanction, been debited as unadjusted against the Public Works remittance in last official year, and credited to Deposit under instructions from the Board by the Collector pending the orders for its disbursement now sought.

2. The Government expect to receive at an early date the necessary application to enable them once for all to adjust these annual payments by a corresponding remission of annual demand, grant of equivalent land or purchase out-right.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 8th June 1865.

Superintendent

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No. 3,085.

Passing orders on letter from the Sub-Collector in charge of the Godavery District regarding the compensation to be paid for lands taken up for public purposes in the District up to Faali 273, and requesting the sanction of Government for the disbursement of Rupees 35,087-1-4 on that account.

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With an order

111 Sub-Collector Godavery District

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