

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 210	Press ~~Mis.~~
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Dated	3 - 2 - 1865.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department.
3rd February 1865.

No: 67. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st December 1864.
Read again letter from the Collector of Nellore, dated 1st June 1864, No. 159, in Board's
Proceedings, 22nd August 1864, No. 5,401.

Read also the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to
W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Nellore,
20th October 1864, No. 338:—

SIR,

Ordinary rates of assessment on well lands clear of any public source of supply	Rs. 46,539
Deduct at the rates referred to by the Board.	
Amount at Rupees 3 per acre, where the assessment is Rupees 3 or above	10,416
Amount according to existing rates, where the assessment ranges between 3 and 1 Rupee	9,759
Amount at 1 Rupee where the assess- ment is 1 Rupee or below	240
	<u>20,415</u>
Remainder...	26,124

1. In reply to the Board's Proceedings, dated 22nd August last, No. 5,401, I have the honor to state that the amount of remission at the rate referred to by the Board would be Rupees 26,124, as shewn in the margin.

2. It is, therefore, in excess of what I proposed, but has the advantage of recognizing it may be presumed, the relative fertility of the soil. And I trust that the Board will be pleased to recommend that the rates be so reduced on the well lands in occupation clear of any pub-

lic source of supply, and in time for the reduction to be carried out this year.

1. Ordered that the above papers be submitted for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. It will be observed that there are about 9,000 Acres of well land in Nellore solely dependant on these private sources of irrigation. The assessment on the land at present is Rupees 46,539, or rather more than Rupees 5 per Acre. The effect of assessing it at the highest rate for Poonjah, in the several villages with a minimum of Rupee 1 per acre, will be to reduce the assessment to Rupees 20,415.

3. The Board consider that this principle, which has been approved by Government, is just, and their only doubt is whether it is expedient to introduce this somewhat crude system of relief at a time when a general revision of the assessment is in course of being made, in which all well land will be assessed with reference to its intrinsic qualities as dry land, so that a second revision would have to be made in these cases.

No. 63. ORDER THEREON, 3rd February 1865, No. 210.

Land Revenue.

1. The arrangement suggested may, as the Board observe, be crude, but it has the merit of simplicity. It would be hard too to require the Ryots to continue paying the higher rate merely because a new settlement was impending.

2. The proposed reduction will therefore be carried out at once. The Ryots will of course be warned that the rates are liable to revision in common with the other assessments of the District.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 5,401.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 22nd August 1864.

Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, dated 1st June 1864, No. 159:—

* No. 1,700, page 1,767 of the file of Board's Proceedings for the month of March 1864.

1. In their Proceedings of the 19th March the Board, I observe, have moved Government to place the holders of old well lands on a footing

with those fortunate enough to come under the new rules; and I beg that the Board will be pleased to include this District in their recommendation.

2. Taking the return submitted with my letter of the 9th October last, No. 319, the Board will observe, we have in round numbers 9,000 acres so held clear of any public source

of supply. The revenue on this is 46,539 Rupees, or rather more than 5 Rupees an acre; and to reduce it to the rate proposed by the Board of Rupees 3 would involve a remission of 19,000 Rupees.

	46,539
9,180 x 3 =	27,540
Difference...	18,999

3. Where tanks are repaired by private capital we charge, under recent orders, Rupees 2½ the acre; and though in the case of the wells under report, we have no repairs, still the expense of irrigating is so much greater, it seems doubtful how far it would be advisable to charge Rupees 2 Annas 8 for the land under the tank, and Rupees 3 where the water is lifted.

4. And taking these points into consideration in continuation of my letter of the 9th October, I beg respectfully to recommend a reduction in the assessment on the well lands, in occupation clear of any public source of supply, and that one unvarying rate should be imposed in all such

Acres.	Rupees.
9,180 x 2½ =	22,950
Present assessment	46,539
Difference..	23,589

cases of Rupees 2 Annas 8 per acre, which would involve a total remission of Rupees 23,589, and be productive of the advantages and based on the considerations set forth in paragraph 12 of the Proceedings referred to.

5. I also take this opportunity to beg the favor of early orders on my letter of October last, with reference especially to paragraph 4 as regards lands at present unoccupied.

1. The Board observe that the measure sanctioned by Government for the Bellary well lands is to reduce the assessment to the highest Punjab rate of the village in which the land is situated, provided that one Rupee per acre be the minimum, and to relinquish all claim to any second crop assessment.

2. The Collector will please to report what he approximately estimates would be the financial result of applying the same rule to these Nellore lands.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To J. W. B. Dykes, Esq., Collector of Nellore.

Copy to R. E. Master, Esq., Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement.

Exd. J. Wright.

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*Proceedings of the
 Board of Revenue*

*Dated 21st
 Dec^r 21st December 1802.
 Res^d. 23rd.*

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*Submitting with remarks
 letter from the Collector of
 the same giving a request
 by the Board an approval
 & note estimate of the sum
 & will result of applying to
 the same District the
 measure sanctioned by Govt
 for the Bellary Well lands.*

For Order.

*The reduction - or ex-
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 in some cases, with the
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 can now with the
 the assessment of the
 district - and it could
 be heard on the same
 days that they should be
 revised & pay because
 a new settlement is just
 being before. J.A.*

of Dec 1802

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 3rd ^{July} ~~January~~ 1865.

Read the following Proceeding
of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting with remarks letter
from the Collector of Bellary giving as re-
quested by the Board, an approximate
estimate of the financial result of ap-
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suggested by Govt. for the Bellary Well
lands-

(Here enter 21st December 1864)

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Revenue Department.
No of 4000 for 1868

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT,
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reduction of duties found
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