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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th September 1865.*

No. 513.

Read the following :—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th June 1864.

Read the following letters :—

From G. THORNHILL, Esq., Collector of the Kistna District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 25th May 1864, No. 87.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward a comparative Statement of the prices of the different necessities of life in this District, for the last twelve years, with the view to obtaining the aid of the Board in procuring some assistance from the Government for the lower paid grades of Government servants.

2. The price of every article of consumption has so increased as to render it a matter of great difficulty for the lower paid servants to maintain themselves and their families respectably.

3. The agricultural classes and traders, of course, derive great benefits from the increased price of commodities, and even the servants of these classes and daily laborers reap a portion of the profits, as they either receive their wages partly in grain, or if paid in money, get higher wages than before. It is those who have fixed salaries alone who suffer.

4. The introduction of the new Establishment in 1860, to a certain extent, improved the position of Government servants, by removing the lowest range of salaries, and considerably increasing the pay of the upper grades; but the salaries of the middle class of servants remain much the same as before, and the prices of most of the necessities of life have advanced during the four years that have since elapsed from 25 to 50 per cent.

5. I am aware that this District is not exceptional, that it is even better off than some others, but the hardships of many are very great; and I trust the Board will kindly take the matter into their consideration, and urge upon Government the necessity of some relief.

6. The simplest form in which relief could be applied would, I am inclined to believe, be a graduated per-centage on all salaries below a fixed sum, say 100 Rupees a month, granted as compensation so long as the price of rice continued below a given rate.

7. The scale I would propose would be on all salaries—

Below 20 Rupees	50 per cent.
Between 20 and 50	25 „
Do 50 and 100	15 „

From H. G. SMITH, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Muddenpully, 28th May 1864, No. 72.

SIR,

With reference to the Board's Petition* No. 1,393, in which the Officers of the Cuddapah District generally have asked for an increase of salary (in consequence of the high prices now prevailing) at the same rates as the salary of the same Officers in Bombay has been

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increased, I have to state that I consider the request very reasonable, and highly desirable for the reasons assigned in the Petition.

Ordered that the above papers be submitted for the favorable consideration of Government, with the Board's opinion that the facts of the case are very fairly stated, and that the position of all Government servants drawing less than Rupees 25 monthly, demands the interference of Government on their behalf.

No. 514. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th September 1864, No. 6,400.

Read the following letter from J. FRASER, Esq., Officiating Collector of the Godavery District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 8th August 1864, No. 202.

Sir,

1. Certain Gumashtas and Peons in the Sub-division have presented Petitions, through the Sub-Collector, praying that their present salaries may be raised in consequence of the present enhanced price of all necessaries of life.

2. All the Gumashtas and Peons in the District solicit the same increase of salary as the Petitioners ask for.

3. I understand that the Collector of the Kistna District has sent to the Board, supported by his favorable and special recommendation, Petitions of a similar nature presented to him by Gumashtas and Peons in his District.

4. I have therefore the honor to submit, for the consideration of the Board, the Petitions (with English translations) which I have received.

Ordered to be submitted for the consideration of Government, in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, No. 3,521, dated 8th June 1864, on the same subject, now before Government.

No. 515.

ORDER THEREON, 26th September 1865, No. 2,311.

Miscellaneous.

1. Resolved that the above papers be referred to the Honorable Mr. Pelly for consideration, whether any further increase is needed in the pay of any of the classes of servants in the Revenue Department drawing not more than Rupees 10 monthly, reference being had to the receipts and expenses of the corresponding ranks in the Native Army and Police.

2. Any proposals that Mr. Pelly may desire to make should be submitted, so that orders may be passed on them before the final disposal of the revision of the Revenue Establishments

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Honorable C. Pelly,
the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Revenue Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 26th September 1865.

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Referring to the
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