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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 124. Read the following Endorsement of the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Simla, the 18th October 1865, No. 2,961 :—

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, dated Simla, the 7th October 1865, No. 2,752.

Read an Endorsement of the Home Department, No. 1,901, dated 28th June 1865, forwarding a letter from the Government of Madras, regarding a scheme for the revision of the salaries of Officers in the Revenue Survey Department.

OBSERVATIONS.—The Governor General in Council observes that the present scale of pay in the Revenue Survey Department is as follows :—

	Staff pay.	Travelling Allowance.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Superintendent	850	150	1,000
Deputy do.	500	75	575
First Assistant Superintendent ...	350	75	425
Second do. do.	250	75	325

2. This constitutes the entire salary of a Civil incumbent in the Revenue Survey, but the Military incumbents receive Staff pay in addition.

3. The Government of Madras considers that the issue of Staff Corps pay, to Military incumbents, in addition to the full Civil pay of the appointments, involves the payment of more than the duties are worth, and the following revised scale of consolidated pay, inclusive of travelling allowance, is accordingly recommended as applicable to Military and Civil incumbents alike, viz. :—

Present complement.		Present pay. For a Civil incumbent.	For a Military Officer: If a Lieut. Colonel.	If a Major.	If a Captain.	If a Lieut.	Proposed consolidated pay for Military or Civil Officer
1	Superintendent ...	1,000	1,827/14	present incumbent a Lieut.-Col.			1,500
4	Deputy Supts. ...	575	.....	1,215/14	949/1	800/12	750
4	First Asst. do. ...	425	.....	.....	.....	650/12	550
5	Second Assistants ...	325	.....	.....	.....	550/12	425

4. Only one of the four Deputy Superintendents is a Civil Officer, the remainder being a Major and two Captains. Of the nine Assistant Superintendents, four are Lieutenants, and the remaining five are Civil Officers.

5. The additional charge for the Civil Officers, would be for—

	RS.
1 Deputy Superintendent...	175
2 First Assistants at 125...	250
3 Second do. at 100...	300
Total...	725

6. The reduction in the pay of Military incumbents would cover this additional expense if it were not to be postponed, but the Government of Madras

recommends that all Military Officers now in the Department should continue on the old or existing rate of Staff salary *plus* Staff Corps pay, not only in their present rank but in the next step they may gain in Military rank.

7. In this way the reduction which is to counterbalance the proposed immediate additional charge for Civil Officers would be deferred for several years, for more years probably than the Survey need continue at its present strength.

8. For it is shewn in the Proceedings of the Government of Madras, that the surveys have been completed in many Districts, and the work of the Survey in the remaining Districts will be materially reduced (and its completion thereby expedited) through the measures directed in the 34th and 35th paragraphs of the Proceedings dated 12th December 1864.

9. The District Survey Establishments, which paragraph 35 would attach to each District, will manifestly consist of cheaper agency than the Deputy Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents of the present Establishment; and so large a staff of these latter Officers will not be required, on the organization of these District Establishments, and on the completion of the principal work of the Survey.

10. Were the Survey Department in the Madras Presidency to continue permanently on its present footing, the proposed revision of salaries would be undoubtedly economical, but the foregoing considerations mark the strictly temporary character of the present constitution of the Department, and preclude any reliance on the saving from the reduction of the emoluments of Military incumbents which is to accrue in some comparatively remote future, before the advent of which the constitution of the Department may have to be changed.

11. For the present, the scheme of revision can only be regarded as one for immediately increasing the pay of the Civil incumbents on the Survey. In this view the Governor General in Council cannot disregard the testimony of the Superintendent of Survey in the 11th paragraph of his letter, dated 16th January 1865, that by the proposed revision of the pay of Civil Officers, some who are not in his opinion particularly deserving would receive a large addition present and prospective.

12. It is inexpedient on these grounds to authorize the proposed revision of salaries. If any of the Civil Officers are particularly deserving of an increase of salary it may be specially recommended in their favor, without adding to the pay of others whom the Superintendent of Survey does not consider particularly deserving.

13. Ordered that a copy of these observations be sent to the Home Department with the original papers received from that Department.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) E. H. LUSHINGTON,
Secretary to the Government of India.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Fort Saint George for information, with reference to letter therefrom No. 1,167, dated the 1st of June last.

(By Order,)

(Signed) A. HOWELL,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th November 1865.

No. 125. ORDER THEREON, 11th November 1865, No. 2,732.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be communicated to the Officiating Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
,, the Revenue Board.
,, the Director of Revenue Settlement.

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grounds stated to authorize
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of any of the Civil officers as
case particularly deserving

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