

# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

*Revenue* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,  
23rd February 1865.*

No. 444. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th February 1865, No. 650.

Read again letter from the Collector of Tanjore, dated 30th April 1864, No. 138, in Board's Proceedings, 13th May 1864, No. 2,910.

Read also the following letter from W. M. CADELL, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vellum, 3rd January 1865. No. 1:—

1. With advertence to the Board's Proceedings of the 13th May last, No. 2,910, I have the honor to state that Mr. Clarke, Member of the Board, has, during his recent visit to this District, inspected the salt works at Chendrapadi, and has expressed his opinion strongly in favor of opening new pans on the north side of the Nandalar river, as proposed in paragraph 7 of my letter, recorded in the said Proceedings. This accordingly forms one of the measures advocated in his general report on the salt works of this District, which is about to be submitted, and with a sight of which I have been favored.

2. My object, however, in now addressing the Board, is to obtain the sanction of the Board and Government for putting in hand at once the works provided for in the enclosed rough estimate\* submitted by the Deputy Collector, Mr.

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being commenced during the present season; if this is to be done, it is absolutely necessary that these works should be undertaken without loss of time. No provision is made in the current year's Budget for these works, but the sum of Rupees 2,000 provided for the formation of a direct road from the pans to Vadi No. 3 at Negapatam can be applied to this purpose, inasmuch as the project has been rendered unnecessary by another plan proposed by Mr. Clarke, and which will have to be carried out next year.

3. If the arrangement proposed as above be acceded to, the necessary plan and estimate will be submitted through the Superintending Engineer for the formal sanction of Government, and the works will be carried out at once by Mr. Ricketts.

4. The general measure recommended by Mr. Clarke, and of which the opening of new pans on the north side of the Nandalar forms a part, provides at the same time for the station of Chandrapadi, as it now exists on the south side of that river, as also that of Kovilput, ten miles south of Chandrapadi, and four miles north of Negapatam, being closed. It is unnecessary, therefore, to carry out the works proposed in paragraph 3 of my letter recorded in the Board's Proceedings above quoted.

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ABSTRACT.—Estimate for constructing a Vady and excavating a trench for new Salt pans proposed at Tranquebar.

Resolved that the above letters be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that the outlay proposed for opening out new Salt pans on the north side of the river Nandalar at Chandrapadi be sanctioned, the funds being provided as proposed by Mr. Cadell. The Board are aware that Mr. Clarke has proposed to make the alterations referred to in this letter in the locality of the pans. These alterations will render the erection of the bridge proposed in the Collector's first letter unnecessary. The following Endorsement will accordingly be passed on the Petition to which reference is made in that letter:—

“Petitioners are informed that it is not in contemplation to continue the manufacture of “Salt at the pans alluded to herein.”

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No. 445.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1865, No. 400.

Separate Revenue, No. 25.  
Salt.

The Governor in Council approves of the immediate commencement of the proposed platform. The necessary funds will be provided in the Department Public Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,  
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 2,910.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 13th May 1864.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Tanjore, dated 30th April 1864, No. 138:—

1. I have the honor to submit the following report on the enclosed Board Petition No. 631 of 1864.

2. The village of Chandrapadi is situated on the east side of the salt pans at a distance of about half a mile therefrom, and the communication between the pans and the village is intersected by a salt channel, which during the monsoon and high tides is impassable to foot passengers. There is further no road from the village to the pans, and what these Petitioners, the Salt Mirassidars ask for, is that the channel may be bridged, and that a road may be formed therefrom to the Vadi.

3. The Acting Deputy Collector, Mr. Ricketts, who at my request has inspected the locality, strongly recommends that the Petitioner's request should be complied with. A wooden platform bridge over the channel, with a road therefrom to the Vadi, as proposed by that officer, can, on a rough estimate, be calculated to cost about Rupees 500. No provision has been made for these works in the sanctioned Budget for 1864-65.

4. These works are not essential to the development of the salt trade, as they are unconnected with the communication between the pans and the main road (from Tranquebar to Negapatam) which passes on the west side, while the village is situated on the east side of the pans. The communication last mentioned is in itself perfect, and as the platform is close to the pans, there is likewise no difficulty in transporting and storing the salt.

5. The works now applied for will however remove a great barrier now existing in the way of the Mirassidars and coolies coming from the village to the pans and the platform, and will thereby in no small degree promote the convenience of the manufacturers, and facilitate the manufacture of salt. I have therefore no hesitation in strongly supporting Mr. Ricketts's recommendation.

6. Chendrapadi is itself a large village where the manufacture of red dye and loom work are carried on. It is about two miles south of Tranquebar.

About 140 garces a year. 7. At present only a limited quantity of salt, just enough to meet the demands of the

adjoining French Settlement at Karikal, is made at this station, nor are its existing capabilities such as would admit of the manufacture being much extended; but the capabilities of the station can be considerably increased by opening new pans on the north side of the Nandalur (the existing pans being on the south side thereof), and this measure, if carried out, would doubtless prove a great public convenience, and bring about an increase of revenue, as the whole country lying between Tranquebar and Karikal, for a distance of about twenty or twenty-five miles inland, can then be supplied with salt from this depot, thus relieving the merchants from the trouble and expense of proceeding to Neidavasal, a distance of about twelve miles north, and by circuitous and frequently impassable roads. The salt made at Chandrapadi is further decidedly superior in quality to that made at Neidavasal.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Petition.

1. The Collector will cause an estimate to be framed for the work necessary to afford reasonable facilities of access to the pans from the manufacturers village, and include the cost in his next year's Budget of Salt works. If in the interval funds are available for this work, without interfering with other more necessary expenditure, the Collector will be at liberty to bring forward the work for execution in the current year.

2. The question of extending the Salt pans at Chendrapadi will be disposed of by the 3rd Member, Mr. Clarke, during his approaching inspection of the Tanjore Salt works.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,  
Secretary.

To W. M. Cadell, Esq., Collector of Tanjore.

Exd. J. Wright.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D., with enclosure and copy of Board's Proceedings, 13th May 1864, No. 2,910.

Copy to W. M. Cadell, Esq., Collector of Tanjore.  
MS. copy of Endorsement to Petitioner.

Exd. J. Wright.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

No.

1864. Department

Rev. 1223/65.

Enclosure No. 1. to the Board of Revenue, 3rd January 1865.

Dated 13th May 1864.

No. 2,910.

Desiring that an estimate be framed for the work necessary to afford reasonable facilities of access to the Salt pans from the manufacturers village and to include the cost in the next years Budget, but if in the interval funds are available, to execute the work in the current year; and observing that the question of extending and Chendrapadi Salt pans will be disposed of by the 3rd Member.

1865. Department.  
*Wm. H. Johnson*

No. 423-

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 6th February 1865.  
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**No. 650.**

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Submitting with remarks Estimate of the Collector of Tanjore for constructing a Vady and executing a trench for the new Salt pans proposed at Tranquebar, and passing Endorsement on Petition No. 631 of 1804.

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