

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
27th February 1865.*

No. 488. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th February 1865, No. 854:—

Read the following letter from J. I. MINCHIN, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 9th January 1865, No. 3:—

1. I have the honor to forward Statements of Wet land under the Cumbum tank, which I am of opinion the public interests require should be changed to Dry, and their irrigation forbidden.

2. These fields vary in height from three inches to one foot above the level of the irrigating channel, and it has been the practice to flood them by raising dams of earth in the channel sufficient to throw back the water over the fields in question, of course at the same time inundating the neighbouring land.

3. This practice is most injurious to the safety of the channels, which are constantly breached in consequence of being unable to stand the pressure thus brought to bear on them, and great waste of water, and additional cost in repairing the channels is the result.

4. I beg, therefore, to recommend that the practice of erecting dams in the channel to flood fields be strictly forbidden, and that the lands in the enclosed Statements, which cannot be otherwise irrigated except by artificial appliances, be changed to dry, a water rate of Rupees 3 per acre being charged in addition to the dry rate, where the cultivator may choose to raise irrigated crops, by watering his field by means of baskets or picottas.

5. The loss of revenue entailed by the change, amounts to Rupees 485-8-0, but some of this would be made up by the water rate of Rupees 3 per acre to be charged for irrigation by picottas, which would be generally carried out, if the present dangerous system of flooding be prohibited. There is no doubt that a yearly saving would be effected in consequence in the channel repairs, and that the general cultivation under the tank would be rendered more secure.

6. The Statement of the fields irrigated at present in this injurious manner has been prepared by the Supervisor, Mr. Bance, in charge of the Cumbum Range, in accordance with instructions conveyed to him when I was at Cumbum in March last.

STATEMENT of Wet lands proposed to be classified as Dry, being of too high a level for irrigation, &c.—(Concluded.)

Number.	Names.	WET AND GARDEN LANDS AS ENTERED IN PYMASH ACCOUNTS.						NOW RECOMMENDED FOR DRY CULTIVATION.		COMPARISON BETWEEN THE PRESENT AND PAST ASSESSMENT.	
		Name of the field.	Number of the field.	Extent.	Rate.	Assessment.	Rate.	Assessment.	Increase.	Decrease.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
21	Calungy...	Nadipunpoo...	1,778	1 17 11	14 12 3	20 14 1	0 12 3	1 1 7	...	19 12 6	
22	C. Lutchmigadu Chinnaly Ramadu, &c...	Mahal Stalum...	1,783	0 11 12	2 14 5	0 13 5	0 12 3	0 3 7	...	0 9 10	
23	Minaboyee	Dovanuttamady	1,789	0 23 14	11 7 9	6 13 10	0 12 3	0 7 4	...	6 6 6	
24	C. Chirravadoo...	Do.	1,789	0 26 2	11 7 9	7 8 4	0 12 3	0 8 3	...	7 0 1	
25	Boda Momadkhan	Poonasamady...	1,792	1 0 5	4 6 0	4 7 4	0 12 3	0 12 4	...	3 11 0	
26	Gora Casim	Do.	1,792	1 0 5	4 6 0	4 7 1	0 12 3	0 12 4	...	3 10 9	
27	Yacoob Saib	Do.	1,792	1 0 7	4 6 0	4 8 0	0 12 3	0 12 5	...	3 11 7	
28	Annum Vencata...	Varamady	1,787	0 10 0	14 12 3	3 11 1	0 12 3	0 3 1	...	3 8 0	
29	Nooloooyee	Do.	1,788	0 20 0	14 12 3	7 6 1	0 12 3	0 6 1	...	7 0 0	
30	Ranisetty Vengooloo	Toolaramitta...	520	0 38 8	5 7 6	5 3 8	0 12 3	0 11 9	...	4 7 11	
31	B. Datiah K. Soobiah	Do.	520	1 1 0	5 7 6	5 9 1	0 12 3	0 12 6	...	4 12 7	
32	Bisany Venkata Datiah...	Bagayaty.....	519	1 1 0	5 7 6	5 9 10	0 12 3	0 12 6	...	4 13 4	
33	Gajoolapully Chitambarum	Do. Stalum	535	0 33 12	4 10 9	4 2 6	0 12 3	0 10 4	...	3 8 2	
		Total...	...	36 5 7	...	425 4 3	...	27 10 7	...	397 9 8	

(Signed) J. I. MINCHIN, Collector.

KURNOL,
9th January 1865.

Exd. S. T. Augustin:

To the Board of Revenue.

1. Submitted for the sanction of Government.
2. The Board are of opinion that under the circumstances Rupees 3 per Acre should be the rate charged.

No. 489.

ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1865, No. 423.

The Government are not satisfied of the necessity of the prohibition proposed.

(True Extract.)

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

.. Note. It seems true that
 these men are entitled
 to some compensation -
 the value of their lands
 must be greatly reduced.

Certainly, if the Govt.
 can satisfy himself
 that the fields now lost
 are, indeed, as dry as the
 original part of the
 dry agent under the
 channel. But, if from the
 absence of proper outlets
 superabundant or other
 sufficient check, the bottom
 of the fields can be shown
 to have raised the dam,
 without the consent
 of the neighboring cultivators,
 & the Govt. pay them any
 amount not less than
 having their set in channel.
 was an irregularity W.M.
 20.2.05.

Probably the damming up of
 the channel will be far better
 an old practice. I do not
 think it is in accordance with
 the law. If so the more
 compensation -
 £ 100-0-0 per acre
 as the a high water level
 for present dry land.

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(True Copies and Extract)

W. H. H. H.

Acting Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. I. Minchin, Esq., Collector of Kyrnool.

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

Exd. J. Wright.

5-12-08

No. 123

The pt. are
not satisfied
of the necessity
of the
proposed
proposed.

L. W. S.

27th July 1865

To the Board of Revenue

No. 288 & 289

22 July 1865

Revenue 1865. Department
Pro: of Govt for Feb

No. 456

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

Dated 11th February 1865.
Sd/-
Secy. 1865

No. 851

Submitting for sanction statements of Wet
land in the Kurnool District proposed to be
classified as dry and their irrigation forbidden,
and recommending that Rupees 3 per acre be
the rate charged.

No. 23 27 July
With an Order