

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	672	Press
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Dated	27 - 3 - 1863.	

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

No. 457. Read the following letter from Captain W. H. HESSEY, Acting Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp Perindorai, 20th March 1865, No. 317-18 :—

SIR,

1. In G. O. of 15th November 1864, No. 2,092, it was ordered that the Survey Establishment on the Neilgherry Hills should be placed under the Superintendent of Survey, who would select good Surveyors, and furnish them with full instructions as to their duty in avoiding irregular boundaries.

2. I have the honor to report that by the orders of Colonel Priestley, I visited the Hills at the close of the last month, in order to ascertain what estates were ready for survey, and also to make myself acquainted with the nature of the demarcation.

3. No persons have been employed especially for demarcation work. The whole staff of the Special Assistant consists of one East Indian Writer.

4. It appears from the paragraph quoted at the beginning of this letter that the Surveyors are to be charged with the supervision of the demarcation, and not the Special Assistant to the Collector.

5. In G. O. of 9th December 1862, No. 2,569, two Surveyors on Rupees 150 each, and eight Lascars on 7 Rupees each, were sanctioned for the Neilgherry Survey; no provision was made for Draughtsmen or computers, nor was any arrangement made for demarcation.

6. I have the honor to submit that as there are funds available in the Budget of the Survey Department, it will be more convenient to allow the Surveyors on the Neilgherry Hills to be paid out of these funds, I shall then be able to increase or diminish the strength of the party employed there or to relieve individuals as may be necessary.

7. The Officiating Director of Settlement, informs me that there are funds available for the payment of Demarcators.

8. The men employed on the Hills might be borne on the strength of the nearest Survey and Demarcation parties, or their pay might be drawn by the Surveyor in charge on a separate abstract.

9. I submit a statement of the strength of the Survey and Demarcation detachments with rates of pay proposed.

10. It is very necessary that the Surveyors should be furnished with tents, and it is highly advisable that they should draw batta at the same rates as the men lately employed in the Wynad.

11. One Surveyor is already at work. The arrangements I propose have received the approval of the Superintendent, who was, however, prevented by illness from addressing you before his departure.

12. Mr. Hannyington, the Special Assistant to the Collector, informs me that if Demarcators be sent up immediately, he will in all probability be able to dispose of all outstanding applications for land by the end of July.

13. I respectfully request that I may be favored with orders on the subject at an early date.

No. 458. ORDER THEREON, 27th March 1865, No. 672.

Land Revenue.

1. The Government authorize Captain Hessey to try the plan proposed in paragraph 6 for six months. The Collector will furnish funds for survey and demarcation, and all expenses connected with the surveying, bounding, and mapping of estates will be recovered from the purchasers under the existing sale rules.

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2. The proposed Demarcation Establishment and the purchase of tents for the Surveyors are sanctioned. Captain Hessey will report further as to the necessity of batta, considering the high salaries allowed.
3. The Collector's duty is to decide whether land applied for may be sold. Captain Hessey must provide for the proper configuration of the blocks according to the orders already passed.
4. Captain Hessey is requested to have his letters in future copied in a larger and clearer hand.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Officiating Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Collector of Coimbatore.
„ the Civil Paymaster.
„ the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

To accompany letter No. 317, dated 20th March 1865 to the Secy to Govt. R.D.

Proposed Survey party for the survey of waste lands on the Malgherries.

3 Surveyors at 150 Rs.	300
2 Head Peons at 9 Rs.	18
16 Lascars at 7 "	112
	<u>Rs. 430</u>

Demarcation Party.

1 Demarcator at 35 Rs.	35
2 " " at 30 "	60
6 Peons at 7 "	42
	<u>Rs. 137</u>

Batta for each working day

Surveyor 1 Rupee per diem

Peons & Lascars 1 Anna per diem

Demarcator 8 Annas per diem

The following equipments are necessary

Two small tents for the accommodation of each Surveyor and his Peons. 4

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warm clothing for Peons and Lascars consisting of one

short jacket one pair of Trowsers and one cumbley for each man

The whole party to be under the direction of the Special Assistant to the Collector who will check all accounts of expenditures in clearing jungle Boundary markscarrings of tents &c.

All plotting and computations to be performed in the Central Office

The work to be inspected periodically by an Assistant detached from this party at work in Coimbatore.

A. A. Hessey Esq.
Asst. Secy. to Govt.

Memo

Requests that the beaver may
be permitted to take a copy of the statement
referred to in para 3 of the ofc Supt's letter of 20th
March '65 & recorded in Govt. Proceedings of the 27th
March '65 R^o 672 Rev. Dep^{ty} Sec^y.

Howard
Chief Assistant
Civil Paymaster
in Charge
Govt. Office.

Civil Pay Office,
27 April '65.

To The Sec^y, Rev. Dep^{ty} Sec^y,
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Proposal for the payment
of surveyors and demarcators on the
Vulgherius out of survey and
demarcation fund

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