

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
10th April 1865.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 131. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th February 1865, No. 1,164.
Read the following letter from V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLE-
STON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 21st January 1865, No. 20.

1. I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board that, since the beginning of the official year 1864-65, and up to the end of December 1864, 1,163 Rupees and 1 Anna has been collected in this District as fees for stamping weights and measures, and carried to the credit of the Imperial Revenue, as per Notification of the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, dated 1st April 1864, No. 102, and 240 Rupees have been expended on account of Establishment and Contingencies, leaving a profit to the Imperial Revenue of 923 Rupees and 1 Anna.

2. There are two Establishments sanctioned for this District, one working at Madura, the other at Tirumungalum; they are fully employed, and there is no probability of my being able to move them from either of those places for some time to come.

3. I have received an application from the Head Assistant Magistrate at Ramnad, applying for an establishment for stamping weights and measures in that Town and Division, where such an establishment is urgently required for the good of all. I know of my own experience that the weights and measures there are exceedingly various and incorrect, and, therefore, beg the Board will apply to Government to sanction the employment of an establishment at that place for stamping weights and measures, at a monthly cost of 15½ Rupees, viz:—

	RS.	A.	P.
One Blacksmith	7	0	0
One Gumastah	8	0	0
One Saderwarid	0	8	0

Total Rupees 15 8 0

4. A like establishment is also required at Dindigul at the same cost, where the weights and measures are in like confusion.

5. I believe the sanction of the Supreme Government will be required for their entertainment. I think the fees for stamping weights and measures are more of a municipal or local nature than imperial, and hope the Board will bring the matter to the notice of Government, and, if possible, have the item transferred from imperial to local management, which would save much inconvenience in having to make reference to the Imperial Government in such a petty though really important subject.

1. Ordered that the foregoing letter be submitted to Government, with the Board's recommendation that sanction be granted for the two establishments applied for, at a temporary cost of 15½ Rupees each per month. The Collector considers these establishments to be very necessary for employment at Ramnad and Dindigul for the purpose of stamping weights and measures. The work will more than repay its cost, as the fees collected in the eight months of the current official year amount to Rupees 1,163-1-0, and the proposed cost is trifling.

2. The experiment of stamping weights and measures was first tried in the Madura District, and has proved successful. As the collection of fees is large, the request of the Collector for the additional establishment appears reasonable. In the Tabular Statement lately submitted to Government, the Board proposed two Stamping Establishments for each District, at a monthly cost of 20 Rupees each, and they request that the two additional establishments now applied for may be included in the Statement, the cost being 40 Rupees.

3. With reference to the concluding part of the Collector's letter, the Board observe that the question of crediting the stamping fees to Imperial revenues has been finally decided by the Government of India.

No. 132. Official Memorandum from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 18th March 1865, No. 302.

1. In reply to the Memorandum from the Secretary to Government, dated 14th March 1865, the undersigned has the honor to state, that the two Stamping Establishments applied for

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at a temporary cost of Rupees 15½ each per month are required until the sanction of the Supreme Government is obtained to the proposals contained in the Tabular Statement which was submitted to Government with the Board's Proceedings dated 29th August 1864. The two additional establishments referred to are required permanently, and it was therefore requested in paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 27th February 1865, that the cost should be included at 20 Rupees for each establishment in the Tabular Statement above alluded to. Thus the proposed cost for the Madura District, on account of Stamping Establishments, will be 80 Rupees a month, while for all other Districts it will be only 40 Rupees a month.

2. The submission of the Tabular Statement to the Government of India is delayed in the Government Office pending the information called for from the Board. This will be submitted shortly, the replies due from the Collectors having been received.

(By Order.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary.

No. 133.

ORDER THEREON, 10th April 1865, No. 775.

Miscellaneous.

G. O. 26th July 1864, No. 1,325.
" 3rd October " " 1,821.

1. In the Tabular Statement of Establishments for stamping weights and measures lately submitted to, and approved by, Government, the Board of Revenue proposed two permanent itinerant Establishments at a monthly cost of Rupees 20 each for each District.

2. With the first of the foregoing papers, the Board submit a letter from the Collector of Madura, stating that the two Establishments allowed for his District cannot for some time be moved from Madura and Tirumungalam, where they are fully employed; and that two additional Establishments are much required at Ramnad and Dindigal. These two additional Establishments are to be employed at first temporarily, and are afterwards to be continued on a permanent footing; the monthly cost for each in the former case being Rupees 15,* and in the latter Rupees 20. The Board support the application on the ground that the fees collected in the District are large.

* Exclusive of Saderwid.

3. According to this proposal, the monthly cost on account of Stamping Establishments for Madura will be Rupees 80, while for all other Districts it will be only Rupees 40.

4. The Government cannot, without further explanation, sanction such an exceptional course in favor of the Madura District alone. They do not see the necessity for the permanent employment of the additional Establishments now in question, as the work for which their services are applied for, viz., stamping weights and measures at Ramnad and Dindigal, must be only a temporary one.

5. In reference to the Board's observation that the fees collected in Madura are large, the Government have to remark that the statement submitted with their Proceedings of 23rd June† 1864, No. 3,856, shewed the expenditure in that District to have largely exceeded the income. An explanation on the point was called for, which has yet to be furnished.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

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under date the 10th April 1865.*

*Read the following
papers:-*

Pro: of the Bd of Revenue-

*Submitting letter
from the Collr of Madura, &
recommending that sanction
be granted for the stamping
establs proposed for Sindi-
gal and Ramnad, at a tem-
porary cost of Rs. 15-8-0-*

Off. Memo.

*From the Secy to the Bd
of Revenue-*

*stating that the two
stamping establs applied for
at a temporary cost of 15½ Rs.
each per month for Madura
are required until the
sanction of the Supreme Govt
is obtained for the stamping
establs proposed for the
several districts:-*

*(Here enters 27th Febry
1865, No. 1164)-*

*(Here enters 18th March
1865, No. 302)-*

*1. In the Tabular
Statement of Establishments
for stamping weights and
measures lately submitted
to*

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Pro: of the Govt for April

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Pro: of the Charles Govt
of 1st April 1865

To J. J. M. 242 May 65
L. 1167

Pro: No. 19-20
3-10-64

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Beginning further are
the various specimens to be
sent to the Govt and the
Govt will send them
to the weight and measure
in the same.

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