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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
27th April 1866.*

No. 464. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th April 1866, No. 2,260.

Read the following letters :—

From the Collector of Madura, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 31st October 1865, No. 297.

1. Referring to paragraph 4 of the Proceedings of the Board, dated the 17th March 1863, No. 1,578, granting to the Chuttrum at Kalpatti a resumed Inám, I am sorry to report that the value of the Inám, as stated by me, viz., Rupees 70-5-7, is incorrect. I founded my report upon the information furnished me by the Tahsildar of Tirumungalum, as I had no records with me bearing on the subject, the village in which the Inám is situated having been transferred from the District of Tinnevely, the mistake came to my notice by a letter received from the Collector of Tinnevely, bearing date the 4th October, No. 1,218, which gives to the Inám an extent of Seed Cotta 1, M. 11, and M. 34, assessed at Rupees 16-0-9.

2. I called upon the Tahsildar for an explanation, who informs that his report was entirely based upon the Curnum's statement, who in his turn explains that he was appointed only a few years back, and had not with him all the necessary accounts, as the late Curnum had not delivered over to him all the accounts.

3. I have, therefore, now directed that the above correct extent be entered in the accounts; but I beg to submit, for the consideration of the Board, that Rupees 16-0-9 are quite inadequate to maintain the Chuttrum in good order, to keep it clean, and to maintain a light.

4. This is one of the Chuttrums erected under the authority of the Minutes of Consultation, under date the 6th July 1852, granted on the recommendation of the Board in the Public Works Department, dated the 3rd June, No. 388, from which the Board will perceive that the Chuttrum is on an important line of road much frequented by travellers. It appears also that the establishment promised for the Chuttrum was not subsequently sanctioned, so that there was no one to look after the building, until the Board, in their Proceedings of the 17th March 1863 above referred to, granted the Ináms in question.

5. The village of Kilangulam, referred to in paragraph 4 of the foregoing Proceedings, which formed the endowment of a Chuttrum of that name, was resumed under the Orders of Government, dated 13th May 1854, No. 542, (it appears from the Tinnevely Collector's letter to the Board, dated 16th March 1854, No. 76,) in consequence of the revenue of the village having then been less than the quit-rent or Kattaguttah due thereon to Government. This state has since changed, and the village yields more than the quit-rent. I beg therefore to recommend, with reference to the principles enunciated by the Board in paragraph 4 quoted in the beginning of the letter, that the village be restored to the Chuttrum in question on the favorable tenure on which it was continued by the British Government to the Kilangulam Chuttrum.

6. The Kattaguttah of the village, besides certain Dasakavel fees raised on Nunjah cultivation over and above the extent on which the Kattaguttah was fixed, is Rupees 453-15-0. The beriz of Fusly 1273 was Rupees 831-11-0, and of 1274, Rupees 790-11-0.

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7. If the Board see any objection to my recommendation, I would earnestly suggest that sanction be obtained for the grant of an Inám of Rupees 60. There are no other Chuttrums within ten miles enjoying any grant from Government.

From the same Officer, dated 1st March 1866, No. 69.

Having reference to the Board's Official Memoranda, bearing dates the 18th December last and 9th ultimo, Nos. 1,204 and 133, respectively, I have the honor to report that the Collector of Tinnevely informs me that his records contain no authority for the resumption of the wet land in question; but I presume that the Inám, which was also allotted for the Chuttrum referred to in the Order of Government, dated 13th May 1854, No. 542, was resumed, together with the village of Kilangulam, when carrying the above Order into effect.

1. Ordered that the foregoing letters be submitted for the orders of Government, with the Board's recommendation that the village of Kilangulam, originally forming the endowment of a Chuttrum of that name, be restored to the Chuttrum at Kalpatti, or that an endowment of the annual value of 60 Rupees be granted for its support.

2. In the Board's Proceedings, dated 17th March 1863, No. 1,578, alluded to at the commencement of the above recorded letter, the Board, when reviewing a Triennial Return of Chuttrums submitted by the Collector of Madura, observed with reference to this Chuttrum, that "Section XV. of Regulation VII. of 1817, "under which the Board exercise a general control over all endowments, expressly

"contemplates the due appropriation of
"such endowments to their original
"purpose, and not their resumption
"for the benefit of Government. That,
"under the circumstances stated by the
"Collector, they sanction his proposal
"to appropriate, for the support of the
"Kalpatti Chuttrum, the Nunjah land
"assessed at Rupees 70-5-7, which
"originally formed part of the endow-
"ment of the ruined Chuttrum of Kilan-
"gulam, to which had also been assign-
"ed the village of that name which was,
"however, resumed in 1854, (Govern-
"ment Proceedings, 13th May 1854,
"No. 542,) the building having been
"allowed by the proprietors to fall into
"decay, and the prescribed charity
"having ceased to be performed in it."

"There was an old Chuttrum at Kilangulam
"transferred from Tinnevely to Madura,
"situated at one and half mile distance from
"Kalpatti, which had for its endowments the
"village of Kilangulam itself, yielding a net
"revenue of Rupees 300, as well as Nunjah
"lands in Kalpatti, having an assessment of
"Rupees 70-5-7. The Kilangulam Chut-
"trum having fallen into ruins, the Ináms
"have been attached, and the proceeds kept
"in deposit. from this fund the present
"Chuttrum was built in 1855, but the Ináms
"were resumed by Government. It is a ter-
"raced building, with tiled verandah.
"Several apartments are provided for the
"accommodation of all castes of people, and
"many travellers frequent it daily. It has no
"Inám nor any grant. There is no servant
"to clean and watch it. If no provision be
"made the Chuttrum, built at an expense of
"Rupees 4,900, will fall into decay, and
"become uninhabitable. The Collector,
"therefore, begs strongly to recommend that
"at least the Nunjah lands situated in Kal-
"patti, and which formed part of the resumed
"Inám, be granted to the Chuttrum."

The remarks in the Collector's Return regarding this endowment, and above referred to, are given in *extenso* in the margin.

3. In his present letter the Collector states that the actual value of the Inám sanctioned by the Board for the Kalpatti Chuttrum is Rupees 16-0-9, and not Ru-

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pees 70-5-7, as was erroneously reported by him through mistaken information furnished by the Tahsildar and Kurnum, and upon whose statement he founded his report. Mr. Levinge truly avers that this Inám is quite insufficient for the support of the Chuttrum, and likewise observes that the village of Kilangulam itself, originally granted for the maintenance of this charity, was formerly resumed in consequence of its beriz in ordinary years not having exceeded the fixed annual rent of Rupees 453-15-0, payable to Government. Mr. Levinge goes on to say that now matters are on a far more satisfactory footing, and the beriz considerably exceeds the Government demand. Thus in Fusly 1273 the realizations amounted to Rupees 831-11-0, and in Fusly 1274 to Rupees 790-11-0; the Board concur with the Collector that the village might, therefore, be restored to its original purpose, viz., the support of this Chuttrum at Kalpatti.

4. Should Government see any objection to this measure, an endowment of the annual value of 60 Rupees might be granted instead, and the Nunjah land of the annual value of Rupees 16-0-9, already assigned to the Chuttrum by the Board, be resumed.

No. 465.

ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1866, No. 1,006.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council observes that in these Proceedings the Board of Revenue submit two propositions for the consideration of Government, one for a grant amounting to Rupees 300 a year, and one for a grant amounting to Rupees 60. They express no opinion as to the amount really required to keep up the Chuttrum.

2. In the absence of detailed information on this point, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that a sum of Rupees 60 will be sufficient, and he accordingly sanctions the grant of an endowment of that value annually. The Nunjah land which has been already assigned to the Chuttrum may be either resumed or included in the new grant.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 1,578.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 17th March 1863.

Read the following papers:—

From V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 27th January 1862.

ABSTRACT.—Triennial Return of Chuttrums both Government and private in the District of Madura up to the year 1861.

From the same Officer, dated 22nd January 1863, No. 14.

1. In submitting a Supplemental Triennial Return of ancient Chuttrums not included in that transmitted by me under date the 27th January 1862, I have the honor to report that as the orders* of the Board with reference to the request of my predecessor in paragraph 5 of his letter to the Board dated 31st March 1859, No. 49, had not been received when the return was forwarded in the beginning of last year, the above Chuttrums were not included in it. It will be observed that several other Chuttrums not hitherto entered in the lists sent to the Board are now added. These being insignificant have, I believe, escaped notice till now.

2. The delay in preparing this Statement, was owing to the necessity of having to refer to several old accounts, and to having to obtain the necessary information to fill up the return from the Tahsildars to whom repeated orders had to be sent for correcting the defective information received from them. They in their turn had to inspect certain Chuttrums, and make inquiries from Inamdars, Kurnums, &c.

ENCLOSURE NO. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Supplemental Triennial Return of Chuttrums both Government and private in the District of Madura up to the year 1861.

1. The Triennial Return first recorded includes 3 Government and 11 Private Chuttrums, and calls for no remark, except in regard to the repairs required in the case of Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the private Chuttrums, which the Collector should be careful to have duly and properly carried out.

2. The Supplementary List, submitted with the Collector's letter of the 22nd January 1863, exhibits 22 Chuttrums in addition to those entered in his Triennial Return dated 27th January 1862, 13 of these being under Government management, and the remaining 9 in private hands.

* By paragraph 18 of Board's Proceedings, 1st March 1862, No. 1,415. The Collector explains that the omission was due partly to his impression (subsequently corrected)* that anciently endowed institutions were not to be included in the Triennial Returns, and partly to the fact that some of the smaller ones had altogether escaped notice. With the following exceptions, the Supplementary Return generally does not call for remark.

3. For the Oomaupathi Chuttrum (No. 6 in the list), the Board's order of the 6th August 1840 is quoted in the column headed "Date of Government Order," being the authority under which the endowment, that has now been withdrawn by the Devasthanam Manager of the Menachi Pagoda, was originally assigned out of certain Katlai attached to that institution. The Board's order should not have been entered in this column, but the Government Order (10th April 1840, No. 145-411,) granting the Inam of waste land of the value of 60 Rupees per annum should have been quoted, and the particulars shown in the two preceding columns; the facts of the case, however, being fully stated in the column of remarks.

4. Section 15 of Regulation VII of 1817, under which the Board exercise a general control over all endowments, expressly contemplates the due appropriation of such endowments to their original purpose, and not their resumption for the benefit of Government. Under the circumstances stated by the Collector, the Board therefore sanction his proposal to appropriate for the support of the Kalpatti Chuttrum (No. 7 at present altogether unendowed), the Nunjah land assessed at Rupees 70-5-7, which originally formed part of the endowment of the ruined Chuttrum of Kilangulam transferred from Tinnevely. The Board observe that the village of Kilangulam itself,

which also had been assigned for the support of that Chuttrum, was resumed in 1854,* the building having been allowed by the proprietors to fall into decay, and the prescribed charity having ceased to be performed in it. The Collector should have quoted the date of the Government Order directing the resumption of the village in question.

5. Audeavelammal's Chuttrum (No. 11) is situated on the road from Dindigul to Caroor; this road will be much frequented until the Railway is completed to Trichinopoly; villages are scarce along this route, and the Chuttrum therefore is probably much needed. The annual value of the Inams attached to this Choultry and two others not now existent, viz., Alaliammal's and Ramanadapuram is nominally Rupees 161-2-7, but they really yield only Rupees 57-2-3 per annum on the average. As the endowment of the above dilapidated Choultries could not be better appropriated than to the support of that of Audeavelammal, the Board approve the Collector's proposal to employ the endowment in the manner suggested.

6. The Collector will be careful to see that the repairs required to be made to the Narasingampathi Chittra Chuvadi (No. 2 of the private Chuttrums) are duly carried out.

7. The salaries of the establishments attached to some of the Chuttrums in the Supplementary List are not given, though the servants themselves are enumerated. This omission occurs in the case of Nos. 8, 9, 12 and 13 of the Government Chuttrums. At these, as well as the other Government Chuttrums numbered 1 to 6, the establishments maintained seem unnecessarily large. The Collector should direct his attention to this point with reference

to the views of Government recently* expressed on the subject. In respect to the Oompathi Chuttrum in particular, he will have to take immediate steps, if he has not already done so, for a reduction of the establishment, now that its private income, hitherto paid out of funds attached to the Meenachee Pagoda, has been withdrawn.

8. The Board await the Collector's further report in regard to the proposal to devote the funds in deposit to the credit of the ruined Choultry at Gunayan to the erection of a new Chuttrum at Dindigul.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Sub-Secretary.

To V. H. Levinge, Esq., Collector of Madura.

Exd. J. Wright.

Reviewing the Triennial Returns of Chuttrums
to Government and Private in Madura up to
1861

No. 1578.

Dated 17th March 1863.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

No.

1863. Department.

Bds pros: 4 April 1866 to 2260.

Some time prior to 1839
there was a Chuttrum at
Kilangulam - with an
endowment consisting
of a village bearing the
favorable assessment of
Rs. 454 - and
The Proprietor allowed
it to fall into ruin - and failed
to perform certain charities
connected with it - probably
feeding the poor - and
The village, therefore,
was neglected, and in 1839
and finally resumed.

1854 - the pt having in
 1852 sanctioned the
 construction of a Chattram
 at a place close by - Hul-
 pretty - out of a fund which
 then existed called the
 "Surplus Chattram Fund".
 The pt also promised to
 apply to the Supreme Govt
 for an Estabishment for
 this Chattram when finished.
 Whether they did so or not
 I cannot be certain - but
 any how no Estabishment
 was provided - This was
 subsequently ^{reported} and in 1863
 the Bd. (exceeding their

authority) attached to
 the Chattram - some net
 lands of the pt. resumed
 Belanfulam village - which
 they were informed by
 the C.M. (erroneously) were
 assessed at 70 Rs - but
 which now prove to be as-
 sessed at only Rs 16 -

It will thus be seen
 that the present is in
 fact how to provide an
 Estabishment for a
 post building appropriate
 to the accommodation of
 native travellers - There is
 no private proprietor in the

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
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No.

1863. Department.

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Code - no one in fact to
know any thing like res-
toration can be made.

The actual grant for
Chittran is 60 Rs in
land. The Govt will let
this out of it at the price.
Keep a sleeper - provide
oil &c.

But if the put like
to fire the village back -
it should go to the "Endow-
ment Fund" - the surplus
revenue being far in excess
of what this one building
requires - The proper course
as I think is to sanction an
estate here & let the put of
Indians will not consent. I do.

9.10.06.

The Rt Hon the Governor in Council
observes that in these proceedings the Board
of Revenue submitted two petitions for
the consideration of the Council, one for
a grant amounting to Rs 300 a year
and one for a grant amounting to Rs 50.

They express no opinion as to the amount
really required to keep up the Chittran

work. In the absence of detailed infor-
mation on this point the Rt Hon the Govt
is of opinion that a grant of Rs 50 will
be sufficient & he accordingly sanctions
the grant of Rs 50 a year. The
Chittran land has been

If I comprehend the intention rightly the
surplus rental of the village of Kalingulam and of
piece of wetland in the same area are appropriated
to the support of a Chattram at that place.
The revenue of the village being, however, at a certain
date found insufficient to meet the demands of gov.
it was appropriated to the Chattram
revenue without falling into ruin. Later the
village being found to be too small and from surplus
funds belonging to the Chattram a new
Chattram was built in the adjacent village of
Calipatty which is now for the purpose of the old
Chattram at Kalingulam. The new Chattram being
for this constructed was proposed to restore to
it the surplus revenue of the village of Kalingulam or to
substitute it by an annual grant of 60. Rupees.
It seems to me more just and consistent with the
original appropriation to restore the further
surplus revenue of the village after the
satisfaction of the State whatever that may be.
The rest of the wet land is to be given up
to the Chattram.

And now will you command. L.D.

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No. 1024/52, 1853

already assigned
to the Chuttram
may be either
summed or included
in the new grant

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Per: 1862 Department:
Pro of Govt for April

No. 995
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

Met 4th April 1866

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1866

Pro of the Board of Revenue
No. 2200
May 1866

Specifying letter from
and recommending that vi
restored to Chuttram at K.
ment of the annual value of 60
d for its support in lieu of the Inam already
assigned to it.

Kilangulam be
or an endow-

18.10.1866

W. H. H. H.

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