

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1545	Press Mis.
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No. 517. Read the following letter from the Officiating Inám Commissioner, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Coimbatore, 18th June 1866, No. 48:—

1. Since addressing the Government on the subject of the Inám work remaining to be disposed of in the several Districts of the Presidency, I have received a copy of the reply from the Collector of Godavery to the Board of Revenue on the state of arrears in his District.

2. The number of cases put down by Mr. Fraser as still requiring to be settled is very large indeed, and certainly requires explanation.

3. Mr. Fraser calculates the number of cases remaining for disposal at 6,371, as shewn in the margin. First

	Borá fide Ináms.	Back yards, &c.	Total.
(a) Number not disposed of owing to the non-attendance of the parties ...	262	2,017	2,309
(b) Number of cases for which Title Deeds have not been issued, though the cases were settled by the Deputy Collectors ...	605	767	1,372
(c) Number of cases for which Title Deeds were issued, but quit-rent Registers not sent ...	446	111	557
(d) Number of cases under enquiry by the Tahsildars.	75	1,420	1,495
(e) Number of cases reported by Tahsildars, but Title Deeds not sent ...	107	531	638
	1,495	4,876	6,371

as regards *boná fide* Ináms, I beg to observe that excepting 98 cases left undisposed of pending the receipt of certain information, there is not a single case to be reviewed in this Office. Vernacular Registers of all the cases (c) have been since forwarded to the Collector, and the cases (b) are, I presume, those which have been fully assessed by this Department, the results of which were communicated to the Collector in February and May last. The cases (e) are probably still lying in this

Office, and will be settled shortly in the course of disposal of the pending records and Arzis received from the Tahsildars. The other 337 cases (a and d) are those which require to be settled by the District authorities.

4. As regards the other special tenures consisting of 4,876 cases, 4,605 are back-yards, most of which, I presume, are not cognizable by this Department. Under the Orders of Government, dated 3rd January 1860, No. 4, back-yards within or on the outskirts of the village sites are not to be treated as Ináms, but only such as are situated outside the village and enjoyed as Inám not being yards in the ordinary acceptance of the term. In the registers received from the Tahsildars and Deputy Collectors, (b and e) several cases of ordinary back-yards having been erroneously included, they have been struck off the Register in this office, and the remainder confirmed with the exception of 140 cases, which are lying over pending the receipt of certain further information. Vernacular Registers (c) for all the cases which have been confirmed have been despatched to the Collector. I imagine that Mr. Fraser has included in his estimate (a and d) all the back-yards indiscriminately, whether situated within the village site or outside the village. My own impression is, that the number of back-yards which can be actually

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confirmed as Ináms under the rules does not exceed one-tenth of the number given by Mr. Fraser. For the steps I have taken to dispose of these tenures, I beg to refer the Government to paragraph 9 of my letter dated 1st May 1866, No. 31.

5. Should I, however, be wrong in my assumption, and Mr. Fraser be certain that the back-yards shewn in the return are all cases falling under the Inám enquiry, I must at once admit the necessity of deputing a Deputy Collector specially for the purpose of settling the tenures and other arrears in the District.

No. 518. ORDER THEREON, 23rd June 1866, No. 1,545.

Land Revenue

The Board of Revenue will ascertain from the Collector, and report how far Mr. Blair's analysis of his return is correct.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Officiating Inám Commissioner.

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To The Asst. Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Department.
Fort Saint George

Dated 18th June 1866
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No 48

Submits his observations
on Mr. Finney's Report
regarding the Indian work
still remaining to be done
in the District of Godavery.

The Asst. Secy of 6 Sept 66
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