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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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20th January 1866.

No. 345. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th December 1865.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Lakadi, 8th December 1865, No. 262 :—

1. In consequence of the actual commencement of the public buildings at Vytry, South Wynad, (visibly demonstrating, after the long uncertainty that has prevailed, that this place has been definitely fixed as their site,) temporary bazaars are springing up with great rapidity, and there is no doubt that in the course of two or three years a town of considerable importance will have been formed.

I am endeavoring to keep the erection of the temporary sheds in some order, and several persons are desirous of erecting permanent buildings at once, if money for the purpose can be advanced to them.

2. This part of the country, as the Board are aware, is sparsely populated, and the Nayars and other local castes are not accustomed to live in towns or villages. Most of those, who are now locating themselves in the nascent town, are immigrants from Palghát, and other parts of Malabar or from Mysore. These people have not ready money, and would find it impossible to borrow except at exorbitant interest; but they may, with little difficulty, get some of their neighbours to stand security.

In his Minute on his tour in the Northern Circars, His Excellency the Governor spoke of advancing money to private individuals for the advancement of public ends, and in such circumstances as those of this new town of Vytry, I think it exceedingly desirable, on public grounds, that assistance should be given towards the erection of some permanent buildings at once, both for the present comfort and health of the occupants, and as setting an example of permanent buildings, which, once originated, is likely to be followed up by other settlers, who will without doubt congregate at so important a centre.

3. I have received applications for advances towards buildings, as noted :—

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Vide Plans A. and B. enclosed.	1. From Mr. H. W. Brown (of Pokot Coffee Estate), a double row of bazaars	
	with rooms above...	6,200
2. Do. an open market with upper story for Store-room.....		6,000
3. From Nayam Vitile Chèria Kunhamood, eight bazaar rooms, each 14 X 14...		1,500
4. Do. Pokur Ahmod (of Tamarasheri), two bazaar rooms...		500
5. Do. Kakumpurata Ahmod (of Tamarasheri), one bazaar room...		250
6. Do. Moidin Sha (of Mysore), two bazaar rooms...		500
7. Do. Adam Sha (of Palghát), one bazaar room...		200
8. Do. Modapalli, female (of Palghat), one bazaar room...		150
9. Do. Appatur Putter (of Calicut), one bazaar room...		200
		15,500

Dated 7th December 1865.

4. I enclose Mr. Brown's application and rough sketches of the buildings he proposes to erect.

He proposes that Rupees 6,200 should be advanced him for the immediate erection of the first building on his furnishing due security; and that then the

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building should stand as security for a second advance of Rupees 6,000 for the erection of the second.

He has informed me in conversation that he will have the first building built before the monsoon, if the money can be placed at his disposal immediately. He offers his Estate of Pokot as security. He will of course make his own arrangements for the tenancy of the bazaar when built.

5. The other applications require no special remark.

6. The terms proposed are—

1. That the buildings be erected on site, plan, and specification approved by the Collector.

2. That the buildings be erected within six months of the date of receiving advance, unless otherwise specially provided at the time of advance being made.

3. Security to be given for the fulfilment of these conditions, and for the re-payment of the principal, without interest, in five annual instalments; the first instalment to be paid one year after the receipt of advance, and the others in due course thereafter.

7. I trust the Board will see fit to recommend these proposals for the sanction of Government, and that the advance of the money may, if approved of, be made immediately, say within a month, in which case much will be done before next monsoon.

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For Mr. Brown...	6,200
„ Others...	3,300
Total...	9,500

P. S.—I am unable to suggest from what funds advance may be made, but as the total sum immediately required is not large, I think there will be no difficulty on that score.

1. Submitted for the favorable consideration of Government.

2. Should the amount of funds immediately required for advances, viz., Rupees 9,500, not be otherwise available, the Board would suggest whether the loan might not without objection be made from the Local Fund even without interest. The Malabar fund is wealthy.

No. 346.

ORDER THEREON, 20th January 1866, No. 175.

Miscellaneous.

The Government do not see any reason why they should advance funds for the erection of bazaars at Vythery more than at any other place, and cannot approve of loans being made from the Local Fund of the District for such a purpose.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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