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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
29th August 1866.

No. 766. Read the following Proceedings of the Court of Wards :—

Submitting remarks with reference to certain points in Government Order reviewing Report of Court of Wards on management of Minors' Estates for 1864-65. } (Here enter 17th August 1866, No. 5,805.)

No. 767. ORDER THEREON, 29th August 1866, No. 2,262.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 5,805.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COURT OF WARDS, dated 17th August 1866.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 20th July 1866, No. 1,853, Revenue Department:—

Read the following Proceedings of the Court of Wards.

Submitting Report on management of Estates under charge of Court of Wards, of 1864-65. } (Here enter 6th June 1866, No. 3,890.)

ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1866, No. 1,853.

1. The foregoing Report of the Court of Wards for Fusly 1274 (1864-65) is on the whole satisfactory. The revenue of most of the estates under their management has increased, and although in some cases it has not been punctually realized, the causes of the delay are adequately explained, and the Government find it unnecessary to make any observations with respect to them.

2. The manner in which the Court have allotted the funds at their disposal to the maintenance and education of the minors, the improvement of the estates, the liquidation of debts, and other purposes, is shown in the subjoined statement, and appears to have been judicious. A proper proportion of the surplus receipts has been securely invested, except perhaps in the case of Beredy, where no fresh investment of funds was made during the year.

	Purlah Kimedy.	Other Estates.
	Per cent. on the income.	Per cent. on the income.
Establishment and Saderwarid	14·05	3·00
Maramut	16·95	3·38
Peshcush and assessment.	26·02	29·66
Government Commission.	·65	·97
Maintenance and education of the Minor ..	10·99	4·59
Allowances to members of his family	1·37	2·98
Payment of debts	0	3·06
Minor disbursements ..	4·46	7·09
Surplus	25·51	45·27
	100	100

3. In the course of the Fusly, the Munarcottah,* Poliavanam,† and Uttukadu‡ estates have been handed over to their proprietors, materially improved by the Court's successful management. A statement should have been submitted, with regard to Uttukadu, similar to those contained in paragraphs 81 and 82, showing the financial result of the whole period of the Court's management. The Court will be good enough to supply this omission as soon as possible, as the statement will be required for transmission to the Secretary of State. The Chemudu minor has attained his majority; but the Court report that they had resolved to retain the estate under management until the close of Fusly 1275, in order to pay off a debt which was still outstanding. The Government presume that the consent of the proprietor was asked and obtained, and on this supposition they consider the course adopted by the Court unobjectionable. Another estate, viz., Oorkad, in the Tinnevelly District, was to be relinquished shortly, in consequence of a decree of Court, which has ousted the minor proprietors.

4. A small estate in the Trichinopoly District, named Marungapuri, came under the Court's management during the year under review. The annual revenue amounts to Rupees 40,759, and the minor is fourteen years old.

* November 1864.
† February 1865.
‡ September ,,

5. With regard to the education of the minors, the Court seem to have made very little change A tutor has been engaged, and a school-room prepared, for the Beredy and Barwah minors. The Royempettah minor has been sent to the Provincial school at Combaconum, and the Government are glad to observe that the Court have found no difficulty in meeting the increased charge for education, and that they are able to report that most of the liabilities of the estate have been cleared off. The Erungadukottah minor is about to be moved, at the desire of the Collector, to the Taluk school at Sydapett, and the Government trust that the Collector will take advantage of the opportunity which he has thus secured of exercising a personal influence on the boy. The Government regret to learn that the Sauptoor minor still maintains his character for negligence and irregularity, and that the Court consider it inexpedient to keep him at Combaconum during the year that will elapse before he comes of age.

6. The Government observe that the increase of expenditure in the Barwah estate seems to have arisen from a large increase in the charge for establishments, (which should have been explained,) and in the allowance for maintenance and education, rather than from the increase in Maramut expenditure, which only amounted to about Rupees 300.

Paragraph 13.

7. There appears to be some mistake in the marginal note to paragraph 21, where the Zemindar of Nuzvidu's debt to the Lakkaveram estate is said to amount to Rs. 49,415. At the close of Fusly 1273, it amounted to Rupees 45,166, and Rupees 10,000 of the principal, as well as Rupees 4,020 on account of interest, has since been paid off.

Paragraph 21.

8. Nothing further in the Report calls for remark.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Court of Wards.

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1. With reference to the remark made in the concluding part of paragraph 2 of the above Order, the Government will be informed that, out of the cash balance of the Beredy estate, a sum of Rupees 7,000 was invested in the four per cent. loan, after the close of the Fusly 1274.

2. Referring to the first part of paragraph 3, the Government will observe from paragraph 26 of the Court's Report, dated 6th June 1866, that the Collector of Madras was requested to expedite the submission of the Statement showing the financial position of the Uttukadu estate during the whole period it was under the Court's management; but no reply has yet been received. The attention of the Collector will now be called to paragraph 3 of the Order of Government, and he will be requested to furnish the information at once, giving the reasons for the delay which has already taken place. The Collector of Vizagapatam will be requested to state, with reference to the remarks made in this paragraph, whether he obtained the consent of the Chemedu ward to retain the estate under management until the debt to the Bobbily Zemindar was liquidated.

3. With reference to the observations made in paragraph 6 of the Order, the Court observe, that the small increase of Rupees 589, noticed by Government, was chiefly caused by the payment of Rupees 703 to one Vencata Row, according to the settlement made by the Inam Commission, being the value of the produce of certain Inam land belonging to a deceased person, which had been kept under attachment, and to the grant of Rupees 1,000 for the celebration of the marriage of one of the minors.

4. As regards the debts due by the Zemindar of Nuzvidu to the Lakkavaram estate, referred to in paragraph 7 of the Order, the Court observe that the amount due at the close of Fusly 1273 was Rupees 45,166; but the sum given in the margin of paragraph 21 of their Report for Fusly 1274, consisted of both principal and interest, as shown in the margin. Thus, at the beginning of Fusly 1274, there was a balance of Rupees 49,415 due; and of this, 10,000 on account of principal, and Rupees 4,020 on account of interest, was paid in Fusly 1274. A sum of Rupees 1,270 was also paid on account of interest in adjustment of a claim for the rent of a palmira garden. The balance due at the end of Fusly 1274 was thus Rs. 34,124 in all, consisting of Rupees 20,600 on account of principal, and Rupees 13,524 on account of interest.

Balance at the commencement of the Fusly	45,166
Interest accrued in the Fusly	4,249
Total Rupees ...	49,415

(True Extracts.)

Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
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„ the Collector of Vizagapatam.
„ the Collector of the Godavery District.
„ the Acting Collector of Madras.
„ the Officiating Collector of Tanjore.
„ the Acting Collector of Trichinopoly.
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