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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2347

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Dated 4-9- 1866.

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No. 65. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd August 1866, No. 6,017.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd August 1866, No. 238 :—

1. I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from the Sub-Collector, dated 7th ultimo, No. 76, in regard to a boundary dispute between the Ryotwar village of Alluru, in the Ongole Talook, and Razupalem, a village of the Venkatagiri Zemindary.

2. The dispute has been settled by the Demarcation Department in favor of the Zemindary village. But the assessment of the land has hitherto been included in the accounts of the Government village.

3. The extent involved is shewn to be nine acres of cultivated land, and eight acres of waste land ; and a sum of Rupees 25-10-8 was annually credited in the accounts, and collected from 1858-59 to 1863-64. The total sum collected for these six years is Rupees 154, and sanction is requested for disbursing the same to the Venkatagiri Zemindar.

4. In Fusly 1274, (1864-65,) the annual value of the land has been reduced from Rupees 25-10-8 to Rupees 17-11-6, in consequence of the revision of assessment on garden lands ; and the Ongole Tahsildar in Urzi, dated 9th April 1866, No. 146, enclosed in the Sub-Collector's letter under reference, reports that Rupees 35-7-0 are carried to account in 1864-65 and 1865-66, but not collected. Sanction is, therefore, requested to write off the said Rupees 35-7-0.

5. From this year the land will be struck off our accounts.

From the Sub-Collector of Nellore, to the Collector of Nellore, dated Ramapatam, 7th July 1866, No. 76.

1. I have the honor to enclose a letter received from the Zemindar of Venkatagiri, dated 10th June 1866, requesting that nine acres of cultivated land, and eight acres of waste land, hitherto included in the village of Alloor, Ongole Talook, may be transferred to the Zemindary village of Razupalem, and claiming Rupees 179-10-8 as assessment collected on account of the land since Fusly 1268.

2. The Zemindar encloses a copy of the decision of a Punchayet, appointed by the Assistant Director of Revenue Settlement under Act XXVIII. of 1860, by which it is decided that the land belongs to the village of Razupalem, and, in support of the claim to a refund, copy of an order by the Tahsildar of Ongole, dated 16th June 1859, addressed to the village authorities of Razupalem, to the effect that, until the dispute regarding the land was settled, the assessment should be paid in Alloor.

3. I have also the honor to enclose an Arzi, addressed to me by the Tahsildar of Ongole, dated 9th April 1866, with enclosures, by which it appears that the cultivated portion of the land claimed consists of Gorru 1-9-11 of garden land, lately assessed at Rupees 19-11-9, and now (in consequence of the reduction in Fusly 1274) assessed at Rupees 11-12-8, and of Gorru 1-9-11 of dry land assessed at Rupees 5-14-11. The amount which has been actually collected is Rupees 154 for Fuslies 1268 to 1273 inclusive ; for since 1274, when the dispute was settled, the collection of the assessment has been suspended.

4. The land having been declared, by a legal award, to belong to the village of Razupalem, the assessment will, of course, be collected in future by the Zemindar. But with regard to the refund of the assessment collected since Fusly 1268, when the land was first cultivated, it does not appear that any claim to the land was made by the Zemindar previous to the commencement

of the demarcation, or that any steps were taken by him to bring about a settlement of the dispute between the two villages. But the order of the Tahsildar of Ongole in 1859, although apparently made without any reference or authority, hints at the possibility of a refund on the settlement of the dispute in favor of Razupalem, and on this ground the Zemindar may have a claim.

5. I have, therefore, the honor to forward the documents above referred to for your consideration, and in order that, if the claim of the Zemindar appears to you to be just, sanction may be obtained for the refund of Rupees 154.

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1. The sanction of Government will be requested for refunding Rupees 154 to the Venkatagiri Zemindar.

2. The Board authorize the Collector to write the sum of Rupees 35-7-0 off the accounts.

No. 66. ORDER THEREON, 4th September 1866, No. 2,347.

Land Revenue.

Sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 23rd August 1866.

No. 6,017.

Requesting sanction of Government for refunding Rupees 154 to Zemindar of Venkatagiri in Nellore, on account of assessment collected on certain land belonging to the Zemindary wrongly included in Government land.

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Sanctioned.