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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2810 Press Mis.

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Dated 15 — 10 — 18 66.

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No. 398. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th September 1866, No. 6,989 :—

Read again letter from the Collector of Nellore, dated 22nd March 1866, recorded in Board's Proceedings, 16th April 1866, No. 2,626.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 25th August 1866, No. 267.

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 16th April last, No. 2,626, I have the honor to forward copy of a letter, No. 275, of the 11th instant, from the Officer in temporary charge of the Salt Department, in regard to the temporary Constables required to guard the spontaneous salt likely to crop up in the abolished pans, &c., at Ramapuram and in the neighbourhood.

2. The annual cost, it will be observed, is estimated to be Rupees 108 for the Constables, and Rupees 5,730-4-3, the probable cost of filling up the pans and levelling the ground, including compensation to manufacturers ; and, as the Budget does not provide for these items, I have the honor to request that special sanction may be obtained for the proposed expenditure.

From the English Head Clerk, in temporary charge of the Salt Department, Nellore, to the Collector of Nellore, dated 11th August 1866, No. 275.

1. Adverting to the Board's Proceedings, dated 16th April last, No. 294, of the 27th idem, I beg to state that the services of two Constables will probably be required for at least nine months in each year, viz., from the 15th January to 15th October, to guard the spontaneous salt likely to crop up in the abolished pans, &c., at Ramapuram and in the neighbourhood. This would entail an annual cost, at Rupees 6 per Constable per mensem, of Rupees 108.

2. The probable cost of filling up the pans, and levelling the ground, and the compensation to be given to the manufacturers, is estimated, by the Superintendent* of Sunnapugunta, at Rupees 5,730-4-3, as follows :—

* His Arzi, No. 86, dated 20th June 1866.

Filling up pans and levelling the ground.			Rs.	A.	P.
12,336⅔ cubic yards earthwork, at 6 Pies per cubic yard	...	...	386	7	6
37,100⅔ do. at 1 Anna do.	...	...	2,318	12	9
Total...	...		2,705	4	3
Compensation to panholders, 60½ pans, at Rupees 50 each...	...		3,025	0	0
Grand Total...	...		5,730	4	3

3. The Board are apparently of opinion that, if the pans were filled up, and the ground levelled, the expense of the periodical employment of additional Constables would be obviated ; but although it may be a great *help* to the effectual guarding of these spontaneous salt producing localities, it will not altogether stop the formation of such salt, and the employment of the additional men will still be required, although perhaps for not so many as nine months in the year. It must be remembered that the spontaneous salt to be guarded is not produced solely in the pans to be filled up, but all around and about that neighbourhood in the shell pits, &c.

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1. Under the circumstances now reported, the sanction of Government will be requested to the two watchers being entertained, as originally proposed. The charge may be met from the savings under the head of Salt.

2. The item entered for compensation in the Head Clerk's letter is quite inadmissible.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 15th October 1866.

No. 399.

Miscellaneous.

ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1866, No. 2,810.

Sanction is accordingly granted for the employment of two watchers at an annual cost not exceeding Rupees 108.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 2,626.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 16th April 1866.

Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Divarayapalli, Atmakur Taluk, 22nd March 1866, No. 75:—

1. All the salt in store at Ramapuram, one of the stations to be abolished, having been sold off, the Superintendent of Police has withdrawn the three Constables hitherto employed in guarding the salt on the platforms there, and the Acting Deputy Collector has applied for permission to be obtained for two of the three Police Constables, hitherto at Ramapuram, being continued there till the end of October next, or the setting in of the rains, to watch any spontaneous salt that may crop up in the pans.

2. The Police cannot, however, be called on, it seems to me, to undertake this duty, save as an extra service, like manufacture, &c.; and under these circumstances, I have the honor to request the Board's instructions on the subject.

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1. The Board concur with the Collector. If any special watchers are required for a particular purpose, distinct application should be made for them, stating for how long they will be required, and how the charge is to be met.

2. The Collector should endeavour to have the pans destroyed by filling them up and levelling the ground. The expense of this measure would probably be less than the periodical employment of additional Peons to guard the pans, and would be more effectual.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Nellore.

Exd. J. Wright.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 16th April 1866.

No. 2,626.

Stating that distinct application should be made for the special Constables for watching the salt.

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No. 3459.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 28th September 1866.

No. 6,989.

Requesting sanction to entertainment, as originally proposed, of two watchers for guarding spontaneous Salt likely to crop up in abolished pans &c., at Rampuram and its neighbourhood in Nellore district.

Rp. 2810.
Sanction is accordingly granted for the employment of 2 watchers at an annual cost not exceeding Rs. 108.

To
The Board of Revenue
" Accountt General

15th Oct 1866.

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