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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Read the following :—

No. 556. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th September 1866, No. 6,552.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 4th September 1866, No. 281 :—

1. I have the honor to inform you, that in the villages of Nandanavanam and Kanigiri, in the Kanigiri talook, an irrigation cess, named Talavadan, is levied on Inam land, entered as irrigable.

2. In Nandanavanam, this cess is calculated in grain at one Singam Tum per acre, and converted into money at the current prices.

3. In Kanigiri, the cess was fixed during the pymaish, with reference to the quality of each field. The cess has not been levied on Inams granted after the pymaish.

4. The following Statement shews the details of the cess in each of the villages :—

Names of Villages.	Settled by the Inam Department.				Not taken up by the Inam Department.		Total.	
	Agreed to.		Not agreed to.					
	Extent.	Amount of cess.	Extent.	Amount of cess.	Extent.	Amount of cess.	Extent.	Amount of cess.
	A. K. V.	Rs. A. P.	A. K. V.	Rs. A. P.	A. K. V.	Rs. A. P.	A. K. V.	Rs. A. P.
Kanigiri	33 3 11	30 14 3	12 36 8	7 13 10	20 14 10	15 12 1	66 14 13	54 8 2
Nandanavanam... ...	69 33 1	74 9 2	7 17 13	7 14 11	47 17 11	50 10 3	124 28 9	133 2 4
Total...	102 36 12	105 7 5	20 14 5	15 12 9	67 32 5	66 6 4	191 3 6	187 10 6
Extent in Kanigiri not liable to the cess.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 10 9	.....

5. Before the settlement of the Inams nothing beyond this cess was levied from the Inamdars, who had invariably, without remission, to pay it, whether their lands were cultivated or not.

6. Mr. Blair, the Officiating Inam Commissioner, informs me* that this cess was not incorporated in the quit-rent imposed by him on these Inams, and that the whole matter was deferred till similar cases in the Cuddapah district, to which these villages formerly belonged, were settled.

* Letter No. 112, dated 31st January 1866.

7. As the Inamdars have petitioned against this Talavadan cess, I have the honor to lay the subject before the Board of Revenue for their instructions.

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1. The Inam Commissioner will be requested to furnish the Board with such information as has been collected in his department relative to this cess.

2. Mr. Chase will report how the proceeds of the cess have been applied.

No. 557. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st December 1867, No. 8,240.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Cuddapah, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 17th August 1867, No. 112.

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board, dated 2nd July 1867, No. 4,127, I have the honor to state that the cess known as "*Talavadan*," or "*Pangam Anaz*," is not levied throughout this district, but only in few* localities where it has been customary in lieu of Maramut Taffrick, which is paid by Inamdars under the Orders of Government, dated 27th April 1832, No. 399, communicated in Board's letter, dated 10th May 1832.

* Cuddapah Talook.
1. Patha Cuddapah.
2. Wootkur.
3. Palampally, Madanampally talook.
4. Kandukur.

2. This cess differs from that of Taffrick only in the method of its calculation: the former is first calculated in grain according to the village rates fixed in former days, and then converted into money at the yearly current prices. The Inamdars who thus pay the Talavadan cess are exempted from the payment of Taffrick, as per instructions of Colonel Munro conveyed in Clause 3, paragraph 1 of his order, the translation of which was submitted to the Board with a letter from this office, dated 26th April 1832.

Communicated to the Inam Commissioner, who is requested to inform the Board, with reference to paragraph 6 of the Collector of Nellore's letter, dated 4th September 1866, No. 281, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 13th September 1866, No. 6,552, whether any arrangements have yet been made by his Department for disposing of the question of the Talavadan cess.

No. 558. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th May 1868, No. 3,346.

Read the following letter from the Officiating Inam Commissioner, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 4th February 1868, No. 4.

In reply to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st December 1867, I have the honor to state that no arrangements have been made by this department for disposing of the question of the Talavadan cess in the districts of Cuddapah, Kurnool, and Nellore.

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1. In a letter recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 13th September 1866, No. 6,552, the Acting Collector of Nellore requested the instructions of the Board, on a request made by Inamdars of Nundanavanum and Kanigiri, to be relieved from the "Talavadan" Irrigation cess, which amounted in their cases to Rupees 187-10-6 per annum.

2. From inquiries which have since been made, it appears that the cess has not been dealt with by the Inam Commissioner, and is not included in the quit-rents fixed by him; that collections are carried to the credit of Government as part of the Miscellaneous Land Revenue; and that a similar cess is levied in parts of Cuddapah in lieu of Maramut Taffrick, which it resembles in all respects except in the mode by which it is calculated.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 23rd May 1868.

3. The Government have decided that the taxation of Inamdars in aid of tank repairs is perfectly equable, and the Board see no reason why the levy of the Talavadan cess should be discontinued.

From the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 27th April 1832, No. 775.

No. 559. Order thereon, 23rd May 1868, No. 1,449.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government concur in opinion with the Board that no reason exists for discontinuing the cess in question.

2. The Government desire to know why the amount is credited to Miscellaneous Land Revenue.

3. It should be appropriated for tank repairs if, as seems to be the case, it was originally charged for that purpose.

4. If the cess is really a water-rate levied on Inam land, originally granted as dry land, it should be designated accordingly.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Inam Commissioner.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.