

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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

No. 572. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th May 1868, No. 3,494.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 20th April 1868, No. 134:—

1. I have the honor, with reference to the Proceedings of the Board, dated 20th February last, No. 1,253, to forward herewith a Statement shewing the progress made in sorting and arranging the Huzur and Talook records of this district. The Board will observe that the progress of the work is shewn in dufters. The papers assorted are tied up in bundles, agreeably to the instructions of the Board, but are secured in dufters till almirahs are available. For these estimates have been called for.

2. The Board will further observe that the greater portion of the Huzur records still remaining to be assorted relates to correspondence. The arrangement of these papers, of older date than 1854, is a matter involving much time, and considerable difficulty, owing to the abstract of the contents of each Arzi, received from the talooks prior to that year, not being separately given thereon.

3. As the assortment of the Huzur records is likely to occupy two years more, I beg to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained for retaining the two extra Gumastahs employed for that purpose for a further period of two years. I beg, likewise, to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained for retaining the services of the extra Gumastahs in the talooks for a further period of one year. The work in some of the talooks is not likely to occupy one-half, or even one-fourth that time; but if the further time for which these Gumastahs should be continued be limited to one year, their services shall be dispensed with as the work in each talook is completed. I beg to enclose a tabular statement of the proposed establishment.

4. The work in the Polur talook having been completed, the services of the extra Gumastah has been dispensed with from the 1st instant.

5. The arrangement of the records of the Head Assistant Collector's office has been completed, while that of the Sub-Collector, and the Zemindary Deputy Collectors' offices, is still in progress.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 and 2.—Statements.

1. Submitted for the orders of Government, with reference to their Order, dated 1st May 1867, No. 986.

2. It appears that since the temporary establishment was sanctioned, 10,086 dufters have been sorted, and lists for 8,394 prepared, 4,943 remain to be sorted, of which 3,057 are at the Huzur.

3. The Acting Collector requests that the two Vernacular Clerks now temporarily employed on 15 Rupees per mensem, each, at the Huzur may be continued for two years longer, and the sixteen Gumastahs in the talooks for one year; long before the close of which period, however, he anticipates that the work in some of the talooks will be finished.

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4. In the Polur talook the assortment, &c., has been finished, and the Gumastah discharged. In the Chendragherry, Arcot, and Wandiwash talooks, the assortment has been completed, but not the lists.

5. The annual expenditure on account of the two Clerks will be 360 Rupees, and the sixteen Gumastahs Rupees 2,880, making a total of Rupees 3,240, while that sanctioned in the Government Order above quoted is 3,600 Rupees for the year.

6. The Board recommend that the Acting Collector's proposal be sanctioned. As the work in each talook is finished, the services of the Gumastahs engaged in it will be dispensed with.

No. 573.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd May 1868, No. 1,456.

Miscellaneous.

1. The retention of the temporary establishment for the current official year is sanctioned.
2. The Collector will report at its close on the then position of the work.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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