

# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

*Revenue* DEPARTMENT.

|            |                      |               |
|------------|----------------------|---------------|
| G.O. No.   | 1298                 | Press<br>Mis. |
| <u>233</u> |                      |               |
| Dated      | 10 <sup>th</sup> May | 1869.         |

Not to be folded or roughly handled

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.  
FORT ST. GEORGE,  
10th May, 1869.

No. 1,298.

No. 233.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Miscellaneous.

DURING the Honorable Mr. Pelly's inquiries in connection with the revision of the Village Establishments of

this Presidency, it was ascertained that in the Malabar District these Officers, who were in charge of Amshoms or Parishes, were paid from a fund raised by the addition of a ten per cent. cess to the assessment of the rice-lands in the six southern talooks of the district.

2. This cess, levied in six talooks only, for many years more than sufficed for the payment of the Parish Officers of the whole district, as the salaries were low and insufficient. The surplus collections were credited to the general revenues.

3. Had this annual surplus been credited to a special head and kept in deposit, there would now have been a sum of Rupees 14,14,199 at the credit of a Parish Service Fund. The annual interest of this sum would have amounted to Rupees 70,700, which, with the present collections of the cess, would be more than sufficient to place the establishment of Parish Officers throughout the district on an efficient footing.

4. After due consideration and much correspondence with the Board of Revenue and the District Officers, the Government have approved a revised scale for the establishment in question at a cost of Rupees 1,47,552 per annum, of which Rupees 89,969 can be provided, being proceeds of the ten per cent. cess. The balance, Rupees 57,583, or say Rupees 60,000, it is proposed to obtain as an annual grant from the State, in lieu of the interest, amounting, as above stated, to Rupees 70,700, on the accumulated surplus of the cess. For this annual grant I am now directed to request the sanction of the Government of India.

5. As to the particular object for which the cess in question was originally levied, the Government direct me to bring to the notice of the Government of India that Mr. Warden in 1801 reported that it was imposed for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Parbutty, the Menon, and Kolkars, corresponding to the present Adhigari, Menon, and Peons. The following remark also occurs in Mr. Warden's Report:—"The amount was collected separate from the Jumma under a distinct head, and was originally designed solely for the defrayment of the expenses attendant in making the collections incurred in the employment of the three descriptions of Officers abovementioned. The other charges of the district, viz., Police, Revenue, and Judicial, were paid immediately from the Jumma collections".

6. The Government of India will thus perceive that the cess in question was levied for the particular purpose of paying the Amshom or Parish Officers, and it is trusted, therefore, that the present proposal of this Government to apply a portion of the interest on its accumulated surplus to improving the salaries of these Officers will be admitted to be a fair one.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

*Acting Secretary to Government.*

7. 12. 98.

To

The Secretary to the  
Government of India  
Financial Department

Sir,

1. During the Honorable Mr. Pelly's enquiries in connection with the revision of the Village Establishments of this Presidency, it was ascertained that in the Malabar district, three officers who were in charge of Quashoms, or Parishes, were paid from a Fund raised by the addition of a two per cent. cess to the assessment of the Rice lands in the six southern taluqs of the district.
2. This cess, levied in taluqs only, for many years

Financial 1869 Department

From Government of

Port St. George.

Dated 10th May.

R.

No. 1,218.  
Enclosure.  
6 photocopies.

|        |       |     |
|--------|-------|-----|
| D. No. | Proc. | No. |
| L. No. |       |     |

On 21st May 1869  
of 7 per cent. (No. 2187)  
MAY.

No. 233.

Requesting sanction for an annual grant to meet the cost of the revised Village Establishment of Malabar District as a supplement to the Village Cess Fund

11-1-72  
16-7-74

From Govt. of India  
Revenue Department  
21-5-75

more in sufficient for the pay-  
ment of the Parish Officers  
of the whole District, as the  
salaries were low and in-  
sufficient, and the surplus  
collections were credited to the  
general revenues.

3. Had this annual  
surplus been credited to a  
special head and kept in  
Deposit, there would now have  
been a sum of  $1\text{R}^2 14,14,199$   
at the credit of a Parish  
Service Fund. The annual  
interest of this sum would  
have amounted to  $1\text{R}^2 40,700$   
which with the present collec-  
tions of the cess would be more  
than sufficient to place the  
establishment of Parish  
Officers throughout the  
District on an efficient  
footing.

4. After due considera-  
tion and much correspondence with  
the Board of Revenue and the  
District Officers, the Govern-  
ment have approved a revised  
scale for the establishment in  
question, at a cost of  $1\text{R}^2 14,552$   
per annum, of which  $1\text{R}^2 89,969$  can be provided being  
proceeds of the 10 per cent Cess.  
The balance  $1\text{R}^2 54,583$  it is  
proposed to obtain as an annual  
grant from the State in lieu  
of the interest, amounting, as  
above stated, to  $1\text{R}^2 40,700$ ,  
on the accumulated surplus  
of the Cess. For this annual  
grant I am now directed to  
request the sanction of the  
Gov<sup>t</sup> of India.

5. As to the particu-  
lar object for which the Cess  
in question was originally  
levied, the Gov<sup>t</sup> direct me  
to

to bring to the notice of the  
Gov<sup>t</sup> of India that Mr. Warren  
in 1801 reported, that it was  
imposed for the purpose, of  
defraying the expenses of  
the Purbutty, the Munon,  
and Kolhars, corresponding  
to the present Adhigari,  
Munon & Pons. The  
following remarks also oc-  
curs in Mr. Warren's report.

"The amount was collected  
separate from the Jumma  
under a distinct head, and  
was originally designed solely  
for the defrayment of  
the expenses attendant in  
making the collections, in-  
curred in the employment  
of the three descriptions  
of officers above mentioned.  
The other charges of

the district viz.  
Revenue and Judicial were  
paid immediately from the  
"Jumma collections"

b. The Gov<sup>t</sup> of  
India will thus perceive that  
the Cess in question was levied  
for the particular purpose  
of paying the Amshom  
or Parish Officers, and it  
is trusted, therefore, that  
the present proposal of  
this Government to apply  
a portion of the interest  
on its accumulated sur-  
plus to improving the  
salaries of these Officers  
will be admitted as a  
fair one.

Exd. 1801

