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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2387 Press Mis.

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Dated 21 st August 1869

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 21st August 1869.*

No. 316. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th July 1869, No. 5,560:—

Read again letter from the Collector of Ganjam, dated 24th June 1868, No. 597, recorded in the Board's Proceedings, dated 11th September 1868, No. 6,479.

Read do. from the Accountant-General, dated 28th May 1869, No. 1,381, recorded in the Board's Proceedings, dated 25th June 1869, No. 4,578.

Read also the following Memorandum from the Deputy-Accountant-General, Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort Saint George, 3rd July 1869, No. 2,208.

*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 4,578, dated 25th ultimo.

States that this department does not feel sure that the charge can be admitted. The fact of its having been admitted in 1867 does not prove that the Board correctly passed it on that occasion, and as the coolies employed would certainly seem to constitute a species of temporary establishment, and as there is nothing in the orders on record which gives the Board power to order the employment of a staff of cooly-gardeners for the purposes referred to in the Board's Proceedings, it is considered that the matter should be referred to Government for decision.

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,
*Deputy-Accountant-General.*

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In his letter above recorded the Collector of Ganjam requested sanction for employing twelve gardeners, temporarily for five years, at 3 Rupees each per mensem, for watering the trees at the salt-pans, and recommended that the cost should be charged in contingent bills.

Proceedings, dated 11th September 1868, No. 6,479.

The Board however sanctioned the employment of these gardeners for one year only, but the Accountant-General objects to pass the charge without the formal sanction of Government, though in the Board's Proceedings, dated 25th June 1869, No. 4,578, he was informed of the grounds on which the charge was sanctioned. Under these circumstances the Board request Government to authorise the Accountant-General to pass the charge connected with the plantation already incurred, and future similar charges not exceeding altogether Rupees 432 for twelve months, commencing with October 1868.

2. The portion of the charge which should be incurred in the current year, can be met from the provision of Rupees 300 and in the Budget for salt contingencies.

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No. 317. Order thereon, 21st August 1869, No. 2,387.

Miscellaneous.

Sanction is accordingly granted for the employment of twelve gardeners on the salary of Rupees (3) three per

mensem from October 1868. This establishment to be continued to the close of 1869-70, and application to be made after that period for the renewal of the sanction if necessary.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
*Chief Secretary.*

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

Ed. F. R. Battleman.

No. 6,479.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 11th September 1868.

Read the following letter from D. V. NURSINGA ROW, Deputy Collector in charge of Salt Department, to the Collector of Ganjam, dated Chicacole, 22nd June 1868, No. 150:—

1. I have the honour to submit a Statement, showing the number of trees planted at all the salt pans for the convenience of salt traders. The Cashewnut trees at Nowpadah are bearing fruit, and the Casurina, which thrive well even in saltish ground, are rapidly growing at all the pans. There are at present 1,034 Casurina trees at the Nowpadah pans, and if they are properly taken care of for three years more, I believe they will give shelter to the merchants. I intend to sow some more seeds, if you will kindly request the Board to send in a small supply.

2. For nourishing the 14,311 trees at all the pans, I solicit that you will kindly recommend to the Board to obtain the sanction of Government for employing twelve gardeners* temporarily for five years, at Rupees 3 per each per month, or for charging the cost in the contingent accounts as in last year.

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| Itchapore ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Ganjam ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 |
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3. I beg to bring to your notice that on the embankments of the tanks at the salt pans, the *Linseed trees*† generally grow to the height of 15 feet within three years without being manured or watered, and afford sufficient shelter for the manufacturers or traders to rest. I have planted many of these at the Itchapur salt pans, and they are very useful.

†Not Linseed but Areoose trees, by the side of which the betel vine is always planted.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement showing the number of trees that were in existence up to the end of the official year 1866-67, and those planted during 1867-68.

No. 597.

1. *Copy submitted to the Board of Revenue*, with a recommendation that the twelve gardeners may be employed, and their wages included in the monthly Contingent bills of the Salt Department.

2. There is no distinct provision in the sanctioned Budget for the current official year to meet this charge; but doubtless the full amount could ultimately be met from "Savings" in the Salt Department general grant of Rupees 1,13,043.

CHETTERPORE,
24th June 1868.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Collector of Ganjam.

To the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. The Honorary Secretary to the Agri-Horticultural Society will be requested to supply some Casuarina tree seed (if available) for transmission to the Collector.

2. With reference to paragraph 2 of his Salt Deputy's letter, the Collector is informed that the Board are not prepared to allow twelve gardeners for so long a period as five years as requested, but authorize the Collector to entertain twelve gardeners for one year only, and to charge the cost in the Contingent bills submitted to the Board, quoting these Proceedings as his authority. If after this year, the continuance of this establishment be found necessary, the Collector can then submit a separate application on the subject.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Honorary Secretary to the Agri-Horticultual Society.
" the Collector of Ganjam.

Copy to the Accountant General.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 4,578.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 25th June 1869.

Read the following letter from R. W. LODWICK, Esq., Deputy Accountant General, Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort Saint George, 28th May 1869, No. 1,381:—

VIDE your Office Memorandum, No. 558, dated 27th instant.

2. States that as there seems to be no power given to the Board by Government to sanction temporary establishments their authority for the entertainment of the 12 Gardeners referred to is not sufficient for this department. Requests, therefore, that the sanction of Government for the charge may be obtained.

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THE Board consider that the charges connected with the rearing of the trees planted at the several salt pans in the Ganjam District, sanctioned by them in their Proceedings, dated 11th September 1868, No. 6,479, should not be looked upon as the cost of a temporary establishment, though the Board have, through oversight, given that designation to the coolies employed for the purpose. The Board's sanction in the Proceedings above quoted is for a lump sum intended for the payment of wages to the coolies employed for watering the trees and other charges connected with them, and they believe they are competent to sanction such charges, as they are of the nature of the ordinary contingent charges coming under their audit.

2. Acting on this view the Board sanctioned in their Proceedings, dated 23rd October 1867, No. 6,911, a charge of Rupees 250 for the same purpose for a previous period, and no objection was then taken by the Accountant General to the expenditure.

3. The Board trust that under this explanation the Accountant General will pass the charge connected with the plantation already incurred, and future similar charges not exceeding Rupees 402 for 12 months, commencing with October 1868.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Sub-Secretary.

To the Accountant General.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

29 July 1868 ... Revenue Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 11th September 1868.

No. 6,479.

Requesting Honorary Secretary Agri-Horticultural Society to supply some Casuarina tree seed for transmission to Collector of Ganjam and authorizing Collector to entertain twelve gardeners for one year only to look after the Casuarina trees planted at salt Pans in district.

Revenue Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 21 August 1869.

Read the following

Proceedings of the Board

of Revenue —

Authorizing Accountant General to pass charge incurred on account of Gardeners employed temporarily for watering trees planted at the several Salt Chokeys in Ganjam District, and future similar charges not exceeding Rs 132 per annum. (R. & C. 29th July 1869 No. 5560)

Sanction was accordingly granted for the employment of 12 gardeners on the salary of Rupees (3) three per mensem from October 1868. This establishment

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to be continued to the
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after that period for
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sanction if necessary.

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