

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue, DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	23 rd August	1869.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd August 1869.*

No. 337. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd July 1869, No. 5,325 :—

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 28th September and 26th October 1868, Nos. 6,901 and 7,619.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 7th June 1869, No. 166.

With reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 7,619, dated 26th October last, I have the honour to forward herewith a ground-plan of Vencata Runga Pillay's chuttrum.

2. The endowment appears from the accompanying statement to consist of cawnies 11-13-14, (nunjah and punjah,) assessed at Rupees 63. There are besides ten bazaars attached to the chuttrum which are rented each at Rupees 3 per annum ;

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1 Brahmin	42
1 Sweeper	12
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there are also five others at present unoccupied. Thus it will be seen that the present gross income is about 93 Rs. per annum, the expenditure being Rs. 69 as per margin.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th November 1836.

Letter from the Collector of Chingleput, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 8th February 1837, No. 4.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th June 1837.

Letter from the Collector of Chingleput, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 4th July 1837, No. 62.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th August 1837.

Letter from the Collector of Chingleput, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th February 1839, No. 37.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th March 1859, No. 940.

3. The chuttrum has been under Government management since 1833, and the marginal correspondence shows that it has been repaired only twice since —once in August 1837 at an expense of Rupees 2,070-3-7, and once in March 1859 at an expense of 1,370 Rupees.

4. It appears that an estimate of 3,548 Rupees for putting it into thorough repair was made in September last, but since then a portion of the terraced roofing has fallen in, so that an increased estimate will probably now be required.

5. The chuttrum is most conveniently situated, and having been taken under the charge of Government, should not be allowed to fall further into decay ; and I therefore trust that sanction for its immediate thorough repair may be obtained.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Estimate.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Plan.

THE Board resolve to submit this letter to Government with their strong recommendation that Government will now, as heretofore, undertake the repair of Vencata Runga Pillay's chuttrum at Streepermadur.

2. The building was erected by Vencata Runga Pillay, Zemindar of Streepermadur, in 1835, and having been devoted by him to public purposes, was finally taken charge of by Government, under Regulation VII. of 1817 in 1836, after considerable doubt and delay had been caused by the fact that the chuttrum and its land had fallen into the hands of mortgagees.

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3. In 1859 the building was described by Mr. Shubrick, then Collector of Chingleput, as "a Native Choultry of magnificent dimensions, built for all classes of the community." The plan now submitted by the Collector shows that Mr. Shubrick's description was not exaggerated.

4. It is clear from the letter of the Chief Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 24th June 1817, and from Extracts Minutes of Consultation, 30th May 1837, No. 723, that Government have assumed the care of the building and the responsibility of keeping it in repair, and it will be a discredit to Government, and a hardship to their subjects, if the chuttrum is now allowed to go to ruin.

5. Government have twice sanctioned repairs—once in 1837 in the order above referred to, when the cost was Rupees 2,070, and once in 1859, when the cost was Rupees 1,370.
Order on Board's Proceedings, 18th March 1859, No. 940.

6. The Board would not trouble Government with this application if it were possible to provide the necessary sum from Local Funds; but the estimated balance of the Endowment Fund for the year is only Rupees 290, and there is no other source from which the expenditure can be met.

7. In September an estimate was submitted for Rupees 3,548, and the Collector states that that amount will probably have to be increased, now that the repairs have been so long deferred.

No. 338. ORDER THEREON, 23rd August 1869, No. 2,397,

Miscellaneous.

THE Collector should submit, through the Board, an estimate of the total cost of repairing the chuttrum in question.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

No. 2397-

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 23^d August 1869.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Recommending government to undertake repair of Veneta Range Pillar's Chattram at Akropanner in Madras District, as heretofore.

(L.C. 23^d July 1869 No. 325.)

The Collector should submit through the Board an estimate of the total cost of repairing the Chattram in question.

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W. H. Bell

Oct. 31 1869

REVENUE

THE BOARD OF REVENUE

Under August 20th

Recd.

at the Board of Revenue, 20th August 1869.

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No. 337-333.

Revenue Range Pillar's Chattram
Madrass District. (Reference to a letter from the
Board of Revenue on subject of the above subject is
made in the margin.)

23^d August 1869