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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2796 Press Mis. —

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
15th October 1869.

No. 195. Read the following letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated camp at Annamallay Hills, 12th September 1869, No. 1,680:—

I HAVE the honour to inform you that the nature of the operations in the Annamallay Range has considerably altered, since the opening of the new ghaut and the organization of a Government Carting Establishment, necessary on the abolition of the Advance-system; and it will now be necessary to make some re-distribution of the Establishment within the sanctioned amount. In the accompanying letter* and statement, Captain Gosling, the Deputy-Conservator, proposes a re-distribution which I have gone carefully into with him, and consider to be judicious. I have therefore sanctioned his putting it into force immediately, pending the sanction of Government, and I request that you will obtain sanction for the same remaining in force for a period of six months, with a view to our ascertaining if it is adapted to present circumstances.

* No. 1,360, dated 11th September 1869.

From Captain H. M. GOSLING, Deputy-Conservator of Forests, Annamallay Range, to the Officiating Conservator of Forests, Ootacamund, dated camp at Toonacadoovoo, 11th September 1869, No. 1,360.

I HAVE the honour to request you will be good enough to apply to Government to permit me to test the effect of a re-distribution of the sanctioned amount of the Permanent Establishment of this Range for a period of six months, with a view to ascertaining whether the division of labour and responsibility which I contemplate introducing, will secure greater efficiency and expedition in the conduct of operations.

2. The nature of operations in this Range has considerably altered since the construction of the new ghaut, the opening out of an additional cart-road, and the abolition of advances, resulting in the entire transport of timber by Government agency, and the maintenance of an increased length of road in repair.

3. The experience gained in the three years that I have had charge of this Range convinces me that the present system of supervision is insufficient. I therefore propose to appoint an Overseer specially to each work, *viz.*, one to be in sole charge of all depôts; to supervise carting by Government agency, dragging by Government elephants; to keep a roster of work daily performed by both Establishments; and to be in general charge of all timber-operations. Another Assistant-Overseer to be in sole charge of the two forest roads and the ghaut; the maintenance of which in a state of repair he will be held responsible for throughout the year. Nothing contributes more to expeditious and economical forest-operations than good roads. These Overseers will receive Rupees 75 and 65 per mensem, respectively.

4. To provide for their salaries I propose reducing the pay of the Assistant-Overseer in charge of the License and Voucher-system in the lowland forests at Bolumputty and Kotoor in the Coimbatore and Pullachy Talooks from Rupees 75 and 65 per mensem, respectively, to Rupees 50 and 45 each, which is as much as the revenue derived from these forests can conveniently bear. Under the new system of carting to Coimbatore Railway Station and conveyance by rail to Beypore, the appointments of Floater and Timber-Writer may be abolished, and a Goomastah, with one Peon at each place, on Rupees 10 substituted. The Duffadars at foot of ghaut, Bolumputty, and Wallair, and the Goomastahs at Annamallay and Bolumputty, may be also dispensed with; the Assistant-Overseer being sufficient to keep the accounts in each forest, subject to the usual check in my office.

5. The accompanying Statement of cost of present and proposed Establishment is herewith attached.

ANNAMALLAY RANGE.

Statement of Present and Proposed Strength and Cost of Establishments.

ANNAMALLAY FOREST ESTABLISHMENT.						BOLUMPUTTY FOREST ESTABLISHMENT.					
Present.			Proposed.			Present.			Proposed.		
No.	——	Salary.	No.	——	Salary.	No.	——	Salary.	No.	——	Salary.
		Rs.			Rs.			Rs.			Rs.
1	Head-Overseer.	130	1	Head-Overseer.	110	1	Asst.-Overseer.	75	1	Asst.-Overseer.	50
1	Assistant do.	65	1	Assistant do.	75	1	Goomastah.....	10	5	Peons.....	30
1	Head-Writer...	30	1	Do. do.	65	1	Duffadar... ...	10			
1	Assistant do.	20	1	Do. do.	45	5	Peons.....	30			
1	Timber-Floater.	25	1	Head-Writer...	30						
1	Timber-Writer.	20	1	Assistant do.	20						
1	Goomastah.....	10	1	Goomastah.....	10						
1	Fouzdar.....	25	1	Do.	10						
1	Duffadar	16	1	Fouzdar.....	25						
15	Peons.....	90	13	Peons.....	78						
2	Kawders	6	1	Kawder.....	3						
26	Total...	437	23	Total...	491	8	Total...	125	6	Total...	80
Increase in Annamallay Forest Establishment...			54			Decrease in Bolumputty Forest Establishment...			45		

PALGHAUT FOREST ESTABLISHMENT.					
Present.			Proposed.		
No.	——	Salary.	No.	——	Salary.
		Rs.			Rs.
1	Head-Overseer	110	1	Head-Overseer.	130
1	Goomastah.....	10	1	Assistant do.	75
5	Duffadar	10	1	Do. do.	65
30	Peons.....	30	1	Do. do.	45
			1	Head-Writer...	30
			1	Assistant do.	20
			1	Goomastah.....	10
			1	Do.	10
			1	Fouzdar.....	25
			13	Peons.....	78
			1	Kawder.....	3
37	Total...	160	23	Total...	491
Decrease in Palghaut Forest Establishment...			14		

Total saving effected in whole Range, Rupee 1.

(Signed) H. M. GOSLING, Captain,
Deputy-Conservator of Forests, Annamallay Range.

CAMP TOONACADOOVOO,
11th September 1869.

No. 196. ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1869, No. 2,796.

Forests No. 12.

AGREEABLY to the recommendation of the Officiating Conservator of Forests, the Government sanction the alterations proposed in the establishment attached to the Annamallay Range, subject to report after six months. The result of these changes is a saving of one Rupee per mensem as shown below :—

	Present Cost.	Proposed Cost.
	RS.	RS.
Annamallay	437	491
Palghaut	160	150
Bolemputty	125	80
Total ...	722	721

(True Extract.)
(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests.
„ the Accountant-General.
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Department

No 2796.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Madras dated the 15th Octr 69.

Read the following letter from the Offg Conservator of Forests.

Proposing a redistribution of the Annamallay Forest Establishment within the sanctioned amount, & requesting sanction for the same as a trial for 6 months.

R. 12th Sept 69, No 1680.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Offg Conservator of Forests, the Govt sanction the alteration proposed in the Establishment attached to the Annamallay Range, subject to report after six months. The result of these changes is a saving of 1 Rupee per mensem as shown below—

	Present Cost	Proposed Cost
	Rs	Rs
Annamallay	137	191
Palghaut	166	150
Establishment	12 5-	80
Total	722	721

13 Tellicherry Conservancy Forests under Orders Dated 16.
6 —— Acute Guards
16 —— Rifle Guard

Sd H. E. Ball
Offg Secy

To

THE OFFICIATING CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS,

&c, &c, &c.

Fort St George, October, 15th.

Sir,

I am directed to forward for your information a copy of G. O., 15th October 1869, No. 2,793.

I have, &c.,

Sd/ H. E. Ball
Offg Secy to Govt

REVENUE.

G. O., 15th October 1869, No. 2,793.

Read—

Proceedings of Government, Revenue Department, No. 2796, dated 15th October 1869.

Ordered—

Annamallay Forest Establishment.—The re-distribution as recommended by the Officiating Conservator of Forests, sanctioned subject to report after six months.