

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 3033

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Dated. 24th November 1867

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
24th November 1869.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 283. From the Inspector-General of Forests, Government of India, Public Works Department, (Revenue—Forests,) to the Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, dated Simla, 4th September 1869, No. 397-F.

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 2,272, dated 5th ultimo, requesting that the existing arrangements in regard to the transfer of the Neilgherry sholas and plantations from the Forest Department to the Commissioner for the Neilgherries may be allowed to continue, and submitting an explanation relative to the consequent transfer of Imperial Revenue to Local Funds.

2. In reply I am directed to observe that no question was raised in respect to the administrative arrangements made by the Government of Madras, and the arrangements for the management of the natural woods and plantations may, therefore, continue.

3. With reference to the financial part of the arrangement I am directed to state that the general question of adopting one uniform practice of crediting Forest revenue realized by District Officers is at present under consideration in the Financial Department, and that the decision which may be arrived at on this point will settle the question of dealing with the receipts and expenditure on account of the sholas and plantations on the Neilgherries.

No. 284. From the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Camp at Ootacamund, 9th October 1869, No. 1,717.

In forwarding a letter from the Officiating Deputy Accountant-General, No. 3,856, dated 16th ultimo, I have the honour to inform you that, agreeably to paragraph 14 of G. O., 11th March 1869,

* In Proceedings, No. 3,215, dated 11th May 1869, No. 653, the Board of Revenue* authorized the Commissioner of the Neilgher-

ries to draw the sums of Rupees 2,500 and 1,500 respectively sanctioned by Government in the current year's Budget of the Forest Department for the working of the Neilgherry sholas and Australian plantations which were handed over to the entire charge of the Commissioner, and to transfer the amount to credit of the "Jungle Conservancy Fund," directing at the same time that all charges incurred on account of these forests should be exhibited in the monthly Local Fund accounts submitted to the Board. It will thus be seen that the expenditure in these forests will not fall on the Imperial Revenue from the commencement of this year; but the Officiating Deputy Accountant-General has requested me to include the above sum of Rupees 4,000 in my next annual account, and in such case it must not only appear as an item of expenditure incurred by the Forest Department during the current year but also be included in the actuals of the Budget estimate for 1871-72.

2. The best course it seems to me for the Accountant-General to adopt would be to adjust the amount referred to in the accounts of the "Jungle Conser-

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vancy Fund" and not debit it at all to "Forests" as suggested by the Officiating Deputy Accountant-General, as it cannot properly be entered in the Imperial Forest Budget.

3. Under all the circumstances stated I would take the liberty of requesting that the decision of Government may be obtained on the subject.

From the Officiating Deputy Accountant-General, Madras, to the Assistant Conservator of Forests in charge of Central Office, dated Fort Saint George, 16th September 1869, No. 3,856.

Vide Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 3,215, dated 11th May 1869.

2. In the accounts of the Commissioner of the Neilgherries for August 1869, Rupees 4,000* authorized to be drawn on account of working charges for Neilgherry sholas and Australian plantations have been debited to "working charges" under "5 Forest" and credited to "Jungle Conservancy Fund." You are requested to include the same in your next annual account only to be rendered to this department.

* Neilgherry sholas	2,500
Australian plantations	1,500

No. 285. ORDER THEREON, 24th November 1869, No. 3,033.

Forests, No. 17.

As the question of how the forest charges of the Neilgherry Hills shall be debited has not yet been finally decided

by the Government of India, the instructions of the Accountant-General, referred to in the second of the above communications, should be acted on.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

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Read the following
letter from the Offg Conservator
of Forests.

Submg a letter from the
Offg Dy Asst. Secy regarding cer-
tain sum sanctioned as
working charges for Nilgherry
Sholas & Australian Plantations.

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The Govt have
already decided that
the Charges and collections
of the Nilgherry Sholas
and of the Hill Planta-
tions shall appear in
the accounts under
"Jungle Conservancy Fund"
subordinate to Local
Fund from 1st April 1869
and

Govt. of 1869 Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE OFFICATING CONSERVATOR
OF FORESTS.

cc, cc, &c.

Dated November, 21st.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 2142 November 1869, No. 2,033.

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Nos. 283-285.

Nilgherry Forest Charges.—Instructions of
Accountant-General on the subject of debiting
to the head specified, ordered to be acted on.

and informed the
Govt of India accordingly
The Accountant Genl
will therefore be requested
to modify the instruc-
tions contained in his
letter to the Offs of
Forests dated 11th
September 1893.

To Govt of India 13th April
1893

We have certainly arranged
to treat forest receipts on the
Mysore, as credits to the
"Mysore Conservancy Fund". But
the suspicion of the measure
has been expressed by the Sup:
Govt and our reply in view
of the creation of the measure,
is, I believe, still without
an answer. Will it not be
better to await the receipt
of that answer before re-
specting the Act? Govt to
alter an order which may
have laid ground for
it. The order may
be given in do. -

This might be ascertained
by a semi official note. -
I doubt myself except that
the Sup: Govt will adopt
our view of the character
of the forest receipts. -

25 Oct 93

W.D.M.

M.A.

W.D.M.

Proceedings of the Madras Fort
Under date the 28th Nov 1869

Read the following
papers:-

From the Govt. of India CND

Stating that the existing
arrangement in regard to the
transfer of the management of
the Nilgherry Sholas to the Commr
may continue, with remark

18th Sept 1869 297

From the Offg. Commr. of Forests

Submitting a letter from the
Offg. Secy. Genl. regarding
certain sums sanctioned as
working charges for Nilgherry
Sholas, & Australian Plantations

9th Oct 1869 1717

W. A.
N. A.

As the question
of how the Forest
charges of the Nilgherry
Sholas shall be debited,
has not yet been finally
decided by the Govt

of India, the instructions
of the Accountant
General referred to in
the second of the above
communications may
be allowed to stand.

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