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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1651	Press Mis.
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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 27th October 1870.

No. 310. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th September 1870, No. 5,610 :—

Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 21st July 1870, No. 104.

I HAVE the honour to point out that the remarks in Proceedings, No. 3,706, 31st May, regarding the action of this department are erroneous, inasmuch as we have taken nothing upon ourselves. Circulars Nos. XXVII. and XXXV., 29th September and 27th October 1868, laid down the course to be followed by members of this department as regarded the execution of repairs to works of irrigation, supplying land held by ryots under Government and by Inamdars, etc.

2. In accordance with these rules, our estimates contained an item showing the proportion to be paid by each. It was open to the Collector to accept, modify, or utterly reject our suggestions, by counter-signing the estimates; I submit that that officer accepted our statement, and therefore, when the counter-signed estimate reached my Office, I, in accordance with paragraph 11, only allotted that portion of the cost which was to be defrayed from Imperial Funds.

3. We have never levied a rupee, but have looked to the Collector to recover the amounts which were to be paid by Inamdars, etc. Much is outstanding, and there has been considerable correspondence regarding the settlement of the amounts which stand in the Department Public Works Accounts as Miscellaneous Advances. It is startling therefore to find that we are charged with this procedure. I trust that the Board will be pleased to submit this explanation to Government.

SUBMITTED to Government, in continuation of Board's Proceedings, 31st May 1870, No. 3,706.

2. The Circulars to which Colonel Moberly refers prescribe the procedure *if* contributions are made by Inamdars or other ryots, but they do not, and, from their nature, could not rule that when works benefit both Inamdars and Government ryots, the former are to pay a ratable share of the cost.

3. The Superintending Engineer will be requested to forward, for the inspection of the Board, one of the counter-signed estimates to which he refers.

No. 311. ORDER THEREON, 27th October 1870, No. 1,651.

Irrigation, No. 1.

RECORDED, with reference to the G. O., under date 1st September 1870, No. 1,375.

2. As observed by the Board of Revenue the Circulars quoted by Colonel Moberly give him no authority to determine whether Inamdars are, or are not, liable to contribute towards irrigation repairs. The entry of such an item in any estimates, except at the suggestion of the Revenue Department, was clearly erroneous.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

No. 5,610.

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2. In accordance with these Rules, our Estimates contained an item, showing the proportion to be paid by each. It was open to the Collector to accept, modify, or utterly reject our suggestions, by countersigning the estimates; I submit that that Officer accepted our statement, and, therefore, when the countersigned estimate reached my Office, I, in accordance with paragraph 11, only allotted that portion of the cost which was to be defrayed from Imperial Funds.

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SUBMITTED to Government, in continuation of Board's Proceedings, 31st May 1870, No. 3,706.

2. The Circulars to which Colonel Moberly refers, prescribe the procedure if contributions are made by Inamdars or other ryots, but they do not, and from their nature, could not rule that when works benefit both Inamdars and Government ryots, the former are to pay a rateable share of the cost.

3. The Superintending Engineer will be requested to forward, for the inspection of the Board one of the countersigned estimates to which he refers.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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Acting Secretary.

To the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
,, the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division.

Copy to the Collector of Nellore.
,, to the Collector of the Kistna District.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

Encl. in Board's Proceedings, dated 6th September 1870, No. 5,610.

From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, dated Masulipatam, 21st July 1870, No. 104.

To the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Subject.—Liability of Inamdars to contribute towards irrigation repairs.

Dept. of 1870 October

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 27th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 27th October 1870, No. 1,651.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 310-311.

Liability of Inamdars to contribute towards irrigation repairs.—Passing orders with reference to the officers of the Public Works Department in Kistna and Nellore having taken upon themselves to determine on this matter.

No 1651. Revenue Depart.

Rec. of the Madras Government
Under date the 29th Oct. 1870

Read the following Rec. of
the Board of Revenue:—
(B.R. 6th Sept 1870 No. 5,610)

Recorded with reference
to the G.O under date
1st Septr 1870 No 1335.

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determine whether Inamdars
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PROCEEDINGS, 6TH SEPTEMBER 1870, No. 5,610.

Dept. of Public Works

Encl.

Received 11/9/70

Rec'd 1651 29th Oct 1870.

SEPTEMBER.

No. 5,610.

Irrigation Works.—Letter from Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, stating that remarks of Board in their Proceedings of 31st May 1870, to the effect that local officers of P. W. Department in Kistna and Nellore have taken it upon themselves to apportion expenditure on between Ryotwary and Inam lands benefitting thereby, and to levy a proportional share of it from occupants of Inams, are erroneous, submitted to Government.

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