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Revenue DEPARTMENT

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Read the following papers :—

No. 398. From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Bombay ; dated Fort William, 4th January 1870, No. 90.

In reply to your letter No. 2002, dated 6th May 1869, requesting sanction to the expenditure of Rupees 30, as compensation for land taken up for a rifle range, for the use of the 25th Regiment, Native Infantry, stationed at Dhoolia, I am directed to forward, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of a resolution* in the Military Department, laying down the mode, in which charges for land taken up for military purposes is to be adjusted.

*No. 484, dated 14th March 1867.

2. In accordance with this ruling, the application under reply, is sanctioned as a military charge.

3. The resolution was not forwarded for the information of your Government in the first instance, through misapprehension.

No. 91.

Letter from the Government of Bombay, No. 2002, dated 6th May 1869, and annexments.
Memorandum to the Controller General of Military expenditure, No. 520, dated 28th May 1869.
Extract memorandum from Controller General of Military Expenditure, No. 736, dated 17th December 1869, paragraphs 1 and 2.
Extract Military Department, No. 484, dated 14th March [illegible].

Copy of the above, and of the papers marginally noted, forwarded to the Officiating Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, Military Department, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and for guidance.

(By order.)
(Signed) A. JOHNSON, Lieut.-Colonel,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

From the Deputy Secretary to Government, Bombay, Military Department, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department ; dated Bombay Castle, 6th May 1869, No. 2002.

In transmitting the accompanying copy of papers, as per margin, I am directed to solicit the sanction of the Government of India to the expenditure of Rupees 30, as compensation for land taken up for a rifle range for the use of the 25th Regiment, Native Light Infantry, stationed at Dhoolia.

Memorandum by the Officiating Revenue Commissioner, N. D., No. 1421, dated 25th March 1869.
Report by the Quarter Master General, No. 2171, dated 19th April 1869.
Report by the Controller of Military Accounts, No. 733, dated 27th April 1869.

No. 1421.

Submitted to Government for sanction.

(Signed) A. F. BELLASIS,
Offg. Revenue Comsr., N. D.

MILY. DEPT., BOMBAY,
25th March 1869.

From G. F. SHEPPARD, Esq., Acting Collector of Khandeish, to A. F. BELLASIS, Esq., Revenue Commissioner, N. D. ; dated Dhoolia, 18th March 1869, No. 660.

In forwarding copy of a letter* from the Acting Commandant, Her Majesty's 25th Regiment, Native Light Infantry, I have the honor to request the favor of your sanctioning the payment of Rupees 30, as compensation to ono Punjee wd Rajee, whose survey (No. 47) has been taken up for a rifle range, for the use of the above Regiment at this station.

† No. 36 of 1869.

From the Officer Commanding Her Majesty's 25th Regiment Native Light Infantry, to the Collector, Khandeish; dated Camp Dhoolia, 16th February 1869, No. 36.

I have the honor to inform you, that, under instructions from Divisional Head Quarters, I have been directed, in concert with you, to select a site for a rifle range about Dhoolia.

2. In your absence I called on the Mamlutdar, who accompanied me, and we have chosen a site on the north side of the town, about 100 yards from the bridge, and about 300 yards to the east of the Agra road, and to extend up to the hills to the north about two miles, with a breadth of 100 yards. The Mamlutdar informs me that the ground we selected is nearly all waste land.

3. If you would place this ground at our disposal for the above purpose, I would beg to request you will have the goodness to submit a memorandum of the probable cost of the same, for communication to Divisional Head Quarters.

REPORT No. 733.

As this is the first charge on account of land required for rifle ranges for Native Regiments, I beg to recommend that it be forwarded to the Government of India, and sanction requested to charges being incurred for this purpose.

2. When the sanction of that authority is received, the claim should be transferred to the Revenue Department for consideration, and for disposal in the usual way.

POONA,
27th April 1869. } (Signed) H. J. BARR, Colonel,
Contr. of Mily. Accounts.

Office memorandum from the Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Controller General of Military Expenditure; dated Simla, 28th May 1869, No. 520.

In transmitting for early report, the accompanying communication from the Government of Bombay, soliciting sanction to the expenditure of Rupees 30 as compensation for land taken up for a rifle range for the 25th Regiment, Native Light Infantry, at Dhoolia, the Officiating Deputy Secretary in the Military Department is directed to enquire whether the Controller General of Military Expenditure considers it necessary that instances of such trifling expenditure should come to the Supreme Government, for sanction.

No. 2002, dated 6th May 1869.
To be returned.

MEMORANDUM No. 736.

In returning the original enclosures of Military Department's communications, as per margin, the undersigned has the honor to recommend, in accordance with the rulings in Financial Department's memorandum No. 789 of 15th February 1867, and Military Department's Minute of Council, No. 484 of 14th March following, that the expenditure, amounting to Rupees 30, incurred as compensation for land taken up for a rifle range for the use of the 25th Regiment, Bombay Native Light Infantry, at Dhoolia, may be sanctioned.

No 520, dated 28th May 1869.
,, 32, ,, 1st December 1869.

2. These rulings were communicated by this branch at the time to the several Controllers of Military Accounts, with instructions as to the grant head under which such charges should be provided for, in the estimates, and adjusted in the accounts; but these rulings do not appear to have been communicated to the Governments of Madras and Bombay, and as the Controller of the latter Presidency reports that the charge under reference is the first of the kind that has come under consideration in that Presidency, the undersigned thinks that the Bombay Government has had some ground for submitting the present case for orders, and that it might, therefore, be sufficient, in sanctioning the expenditure, to authorize that, and other local Governments to sanction such expenditure in future.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Military Department,
25th January 1870.

3. In compliance with Military Department's Office memorandum, No. 492 of 28th September last, the undersigned has also the honor to return the document, as per margin, and to observe that the supply of a copy of the Army List of that Presidency to the General Depôt at Poona, at an expense of 12 Rupees per annum, to which the Bombay Government solicit sanction, is an item of office contingent expenditure which the Depôt officer was competent to have incurred without obtaining sanction, if a copy free of charge, was not supplied to him.

Original enclosure of Military Department's Office memorandum, No. 559, dated 25th June 1869.

4. The supply of such a book of reference appears to be necessary for the General Depôt at Poona; but as this case has been forwarded to this branch with reference to the enquiry in Military Department's No. 520 of 28th May last, as to whether it is necessary that instances of such trifling expenditure should come up to the Supreme Government for sanction, the undersigned would suggest that the Bombay Government be advised that contingent expenses might be sanctioned by them without previous reference to the Government of India, on the report of the Controller of Military Accounts that such expenditure would be met by the provisions made in the Military Budget Estimate of that Presidency.

MILY. DEPT. ACCT. BRANCH,
17th December 1869. } (Signed) A. BROOME, Colonel,
Contr. General of Mily. Expenditure.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of His Excellency the Governor General of India in Council in the Military Department; dated 14th March 1867, No. 484.

Read again memorandum from the Public Works Department, No. 678-A, dated 27th July 1866, stating that the Government of Bengal will be instructed to charge to the Public Works Department, the rent for land required for the Raneegunge cantonment.

Read memorandum from the Public Works Department, No. 912-A, dated 5th October 1866, stating that the rent, as well as purchase money of the land, required for *barrack* purposes, should be adjusted as a charge of the Public Works Department, but that charges on account of Military offices, artillery practice grounds, and the like, should be accounted for, as a debit against the military budget grant.

Enter memorandum from the Controller General of Military Expenditure, No. 561F, dated 31st August 1866, reporting on the above.

Enter memorandum from the Financial Department, No. 789, dated 15th February 1867, explaining the scope of Financial Resolutions, Nos. 1090, dated 6th July 1864, and 2833, dated 7th October 1864, having reference to the subject, as to the department which should bear the charges on account of rent and purchase money of lands taken up for military cantonments.

OBSERVATIONS.—Under the foregoing decision of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, the question of the department of Government in which ground required for military purposes should be taken up, and accounted for, may be accepted as finally settled. Henceforth, all land required for military works, departmental buildings, or the provision of accommodation for soldiers and officers, will be taken up by the Public Works Department, and all charges, therefore, be borne by them; but all other land required for cantonment purposes, such as parade grounds, ranges, and the like, will be taken up by the Military Department, through the agency of the civil administration. As it may still, however, happen that land may be wanted for purposes where the incidence of the responsibility and charge of taking it up, is open to doubt, it seems desirable that any case admitting of doubt, should invariably and immediately be submitted by the local authorities to the Government of the Presidency or of India, as the case may be, for consideration in the two departments concerned.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Military Department, 25th January 1870.

Ordered, that the above be forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of India, in the Public Works Department, with a suggestion that if it be concurred in, instructions may be issued to the subordinate Governments in the above sense.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. K. BURNE, Lieut-Colonel,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 399. ORDER THEREON, 25th January 1870, No. 259.

Communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, and Controller of Military Accounts.

(True Extract.)

Colonel,

Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.
,, Controller of Military Accounts.

Exd. F. P. Joachim.