

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue

DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	356	Press Mfr.
Dated	18/3/20	18/3/20

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
12th March 1870.*

No. 117. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th January 1870, No. 627:—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Coimbatore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 8th December 1869, No. 229.

I AM on my way back from the Pollachy Talook, and am glad to be able to report, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that the experimental cultivation of the Carolina paddy has been most successful there. Hoossain Khan, a Mussulman ryot, has taken great pains with it, and has now 720 Madras Measures of seed, which he is willing to part with, retaining the same quantity for himself and his friends. The price asked is Rupees 4 a shelagay, (1 shelagay = 60 Madras Measures), and I request sanction for the expenditure of Rupees 50 in the purchase of the same for distribution or sale.

2. Hoossain Khan and his brother are fully satisfied as to the superiority in every way of this grain over the ordinary paddy; indeed, the latter is rather loath to part with any of the seed. The yield he describes as treble that of the ordinary paddy, whilst the straw is half as high again. He brought two splendid sheaves to my tent. He also informed me that it is not as much affected by a temporary failure of water as the indigenous grain, and matures earlier.

3. The Tahsildar is of opinion that ere long this description of paddy will form the staple rice-crop of the district. If this anticipation is realized the very desirable result will be mainly due to the pains bestowed by Hoossain Khan in conducting the experiment. A practical success of this sort, achieved by one of their own number, will have more effect on the ryots than a dozen experimental farms managed by the Collector or his Assistants; and I think that Hoossain Khan's exertions should receive some mark of approbation from Government. I beg therefore that I may be permitted to expend Rupees 50 in the purchase of a sword or ring to be presented to him, with a suitable inscription. The charge for this and for the purchase of the seed can be met from an unexpended balance under the head "Charges for stamping Weights and Measures."

4. Unless the Board wish any portion of the seed forwarded to other districts, I propose to sell it at the rate usually charged for country paddy seed. I believe that those ryots who have seen Hoossain Khan's crops will gladly purchase it.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The Board request the Collector to convey to Hoossain Khan their appreciation of the care bestowed by him in the cultivation of the seed, and the consequent success which has attended the experiment.

3. The Board consider it undesirable to grant rewards for successful cultivation of special products, and therefore decline to support Mr. Sullivan's proposal.

4. They sanction the expenditure of Rupees 50 in the purchase of 720 measures of the seed, and request the Collector to sell it to parties requiring it at the price paid for it, taking care to satisfy himself that country seed is not substituted for it.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
12th March 1870.*

No. 118.

ORDER THEREON, 12th March 1870, No. 256.

Miscellaneous.

The proceedings of the Board are
approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue,
the Honorary Secretary to the Government, &c.

Mr. F. R. Dallman

Revenue Department
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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 15th ~~February~~ ^{March} 1870.

Read the following
Proceedings of the Board of
Revenue.

Submitting for information
Report of collector of Coimbatore
of successful cultivation of
Carolina perday in Pollachy Taluk
by Hoosain Khan, a Musclemen
ryot, &c. &c.

(A. & 28th Jan^y 1870 No. 627.)

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