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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 240. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th February 1870, No. 831:—

Read the following Endorsement of the Officiating Collector of Nellore, dated 10th January 1870, No. 88.

Read the following letter from the Deputy-Collector, in charge of Salt Department, to the Officiating Collector of Nellore, dated Krishnapatnam, 5th January 1870, No. 4.

In reply to your Endorsement, No. 2,520, dated 18th December 1869, on copy of Board's Proceedings of the 14th idem, communicating Government Order, in the Revenue Department, of the 7th December, No. 3,119, I have the honour to state that the temporary Salt-guards in this district are required to be entertained at all the stations, but those on the Pulicat Lake, (viz., Dugarazupatnam, Tada, and Sunnapagunta,) about the 1st February in each year. At those three places they are not needed till about 15th March or 1st April, as, until the waters of the Lake subside, manufacture there cannot be begun.

2. Our manufacturing operations usually extend to the end of July, and sometimes also, if the season has been bad and the produce deficient, till 10th or 15th August, and from then till the north-east monsoon fairly bursts. There is a large quantity of spontaneous salt cropping up in all the pans, the smuggling of which it is to our interest to prevent. This is more easily effected by preserving the salt intact till it is itself absorbed by fresh water, than to attempt its destruction every now and again as it forms; the latter course would, in many cases, be impracticable, and it is to guard this spontaneous salt, therefore, that the retention of the temporary Constables till some time in October each year has become necessary.

3. Under these circumstances I think it is advisable to provide for those extra guards at once for nine months in each year in the Budget, as suggested by the Inspector-General of Police, because so provided for the guards need not of course be maintained the whole period, but can be entertained and dispensed with at each station as is now done whenever required, but the effect of the provision will be to obviate the necessity for the reference now made annually for their continuance.

4. Four months, the period for which they are now budgetted for, is absolutely too little, and I do not know on what ground it was fixed upon.

True copy submitted to the Board of Revenue, with reference to their Proceedings quoted by the Deputy-Collector.

2. It would seem the simplest plan to act upon the suggestion of the Inspector-General of Police, and estimate the temporary Salt-guards for nine months in the year for all stations.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Officiating Collector.

Submitted to Government, with reference to Government Order, dated 7th December 1869, No. 3,119.

2. The Board concur with the Inspector-General of Police in considering that the cost of the Nellore temporary Salt-guards for nine months, instead of four, should be entered in the Budget.

No. 241. ORDER THEREON, 31st March 1870, No. 418.

Separate Revenue, No. 12.
Salt.

UNDER the circumstances stated, sanction is granted for provision being made in future Budgets for temporary Salt-guards in the Nellore District for nine months instead of four.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Inspector-General of Police.
,, the Accountant-General.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

To
THE BOARD OF REVENUE.
&c., &c., &c.

Proceedings of Madras Govt., Revenue Department, dated 31st March 1870, No. 418.

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Transferring Salt-guards in Nellore District—Sanction granted for provision being made in future Budgets for nine months instead of four.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 31st August 1870.

Read the following *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.*

Submg Letter from Supdt in charge of Salt Depts stating that cost of temporary Salt Godowns in Salem Distt for 9 months & of 4 should be entered in Budget as suggested by the Inspr of Salt Depts

Lr to Bd 5th Feb. 1870, No 231

Under the circumstances stated, sanction is granted for provision being made in future Budgets for temporary Salt Godowns in the Salem District for nine months instead of four

No 1870

Bd of Revenue
Inspr of Salt Depts
Accountant General.

Sd H Stokes
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