

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 878

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Dated 15-6-1870

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
15th June 1870.*

No. 179. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th May 1870, No. 3,047 :—

Read the following letter from the Commissioner of the Neilgherries, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coonoor, 31st March 1870, No. 51.

I HAVE been furnished with the Survey areas of the present holdings of the Badagas within the Settlement limits of Coonoor. The result is that, within this limited area, the Badagas are found in possession of 675.39 acres in excess of the 562.93 acres they pay for under Puttah.

2. I append a statement showing the actual excess held by each Puttahdar. In all instances they wish the excess to be charged in their Puttahs, and I have ordered their Puttahs to be made out accordingly.

3. In some instances, such as Puttahs Nos. 205, 206, 569, 239, the excess is three or four times greater than the Puttah area. Still, from inquiries made on the spot, I do not think these* are recent encroachments. As far as I can learn the Puttahdars have been in long possession, and I have therefore thought it best, even in these instances, to recognize the right of the Puttahdars to the excess. The sooner we have a general survey of all the Puttah lands in this district the better.

* With one exception, No. 206, about which I may have to address the Board again.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—List.

THE Commissioner reports that the Survey of the Settlement of Coonoor has shown that the Badagas, who have settled there, cultivate 675 acres besides the 562 which they are supposed to occupy and actually pay for. He recommends a general survey of all Puttah lands on the Hills.

2. The Board resolve to lay the report before Government, and to recommend that the Survey Department, who are now at work on the Hills, be instructed to survey Puttah lands at the same time as the reserves, swamps, etc., to which their attention has been already directed. The additional work will probably not be seriously felt.

3. The Board approve of the Commissioner's proceedings in allowing the Puttahdars to remain in possession of the whole of their holdings.

No. 180. ORDER THEREON, 15th June 1870, No. 878.

Miscellaneous.

WITH reference to paragraph 2 of the foregoing Proceedings, the Government resolve to request the Superintendent of Revenue Survey to arrange for the survey of Puttah lands on the Neilgherry Hills, if the duty can be undertaken by the Party now at work there.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

No. 1472.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 7th May 1870.

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