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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
2nd April 1872.*

No. 5. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th March 1872 No. 499:—

Read again Government Orders, 9th March 1869, No. 627, and 11th November 1870, No. 1,756.

Read also letter from the Acting Collector of Ganjam, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Camp Surada, 12th March 1872, No. 338.

With reference to the papers noted in the margin, I have the honour to inform the Board that the lease of the Abkari Farm of this district granted to Mr. F. J. V. Minchin of Aska will expire on the 30th June next, and request their instructions as to whether the sale of the farm may be advertised on the old footing, or whether it should be offered again to Mr. Minchin, who is now in England, on the present terms.

2. From the amount of the demand of the Abkari Farm for Faslies 1279 (1869-70) and 1280 (1870-71) and eight months of the current Fasli 1281 (1871-72), as entered in the margin, it will be found that the revenue from this branch has not improved by the change of

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1281 from July to February.	

system to the extent expected. The average revenue for the eight years preceding the present lease was Rs. 83,152, and the expectation was that the receipts from Mr. Minchin would exceed by a lakh of Rupees the average income of the three years preceding the present lease, amounting to Rs. 66,080. If the present year's revenue comes up to that of Fasli 1280 (1870-71), the average revenue of the three years of the current lease will be Rs. 82,372, or considerably less than the revenue of the five years before the famine, when the revenue varied between 90,000 and a lakh of Rs., and smaller than the average of the last eight years to 1278 (1868-69) inclusive.

Telegram from the Collector of Ganjam, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Berhampore, 18th March 1872.

"SEE my letter twelfth instant, number 338, on Abkari revenue. I recommend renewal of Minchin's engagement, because though not so financially successful as expected, the season has been bad, and other arrangements would probably have been still more disastrous."

In his letter the Collector simply requests orders as to whether Mr. Minchin shall be allowed to retain the Abkari of the Ganjam District after the 30th June on the terms in force during the last three years.

2. In his telegram Mr. Master definitely recommends the renewal of Mr. Minchin's engagement.

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3. The Abkari collections for the last twelve years have been as follows:—

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Fasli 1269	72,826
" 1270	71,323
" 1271	84,714
" 1272	95,503
" 1273	94,331
" 1274	92,349
" 1275	80,856
" 1276	61,826
" 1277	66,352
" 1278	71,861
" 1279	84,232
" 1280	83,520
Average of Fasli 1269—1278, Rupees 79,194.	
" " 1279—1280, " 83,876.	

4. Mr. Master gives the demand under the engagement as follows:—

	RS.
Fasli 1279	90,348
" 1280	78,380

(the amount for a portion of Fasli 1281 is unintelligible). It must be observed however that these figures do not show that the value of the farm is diminishing, but only that more liquor was issued from the distillery to the shops in Fasli 1279 than was wanted for that year's consumption.

5. The revenue has been realized with perfect facility and there have been no complaints either from the people or from officials.

6. As Mr. Master points out and as has been remarked by the Board in their Proceedings of the 15th March 1872, No. 460, the financial result of the lease is far below what was expected from a calculation based on the probable consumption of fermented liquors, but the average, though reduced by the opposition offered to the change by interested persons during the first year of the lease, is above the average of the previous ten years and must be considered satisfactory on the whole.

8. The Board resolve to recommend that Mr. Minchin's engagement be renewed with the following modification:—

- 1st.—That the salary of the Excise establishment maintained by Government at the distillery may be Rupees 100 instead of Rupees 50 a month.
- 2nd.—That 60 per cent. instead of 50 per cent. of the Toddy sub-rents be paid to Government.

No. 6.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd April 1872, No. 540.

Separate Revenue No. 2.
Abkari.

THE Government authorize the Board to sanction the renewal of Mr. Minchin's lease of the Abkari Farm of Ganjam for a further term of three years

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on the conditions approved by them, with the modification that 75 per cent. of the toddy sub-rents shall be paid to Government, leaving 25 per cent. to the lessee to cover cost of collection, etc.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

W. HUDLESTON,

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue

Exd. T. Cartledge.

N^o 338

Camp Surada
12th March 1872

From The Acting Collector of
Ganjam

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

With reference to the papers

* Board's Res: W^o noted in the margin I have the honor to
601 dated 19th June 1869 inform the Board that the lease of the
Telegram from B^o dated 11th March 1869 abkharry farm of this District granted
W^o 1860.

Board's Res: W^o 2270 to Mr. H. L. V. Minchin of Aska well
dated 5th April 1869 to Mr. H. L. V. Minchin of Aska well and request the
B^o W^o 3190 of 1869 instructions as to whether the sale of the

farm may be advertised on the old footing
or whether it should be offered again to
Mr. Minchin who is now in England on the
present terms.

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If the present year's revenue comes up to
that of Fasli¹²⁸⁰ (1870-71) the average revenue
of the three years of the current lease
will be Rs 82,372 or considerably
less than the revenue of the five years
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varied between 90,000 and a lakh of
Rupees and smaller than the average
of the last eight years to 1278 (1868-69)
inclusive.

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Signed / C. G. Master
Acting Collector

(True Copy)

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Secretary

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To Madras
" Secretary,
Board of Revenue.

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From Berhampore
" Collector of
Jangam.

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"arrangements would probably have
"been still more disastrous"

(True copy)

Erle
Secretary

To Hogg
Wingapore

Nov. 10/1732

Enclosed in press of
of the Board of Revenue
to the off. of Chief Secretary
to Govt. R.D., dated 16
26th March 1912

Copy of letter from the
Col. Johnston of Jangam
informing that the
present lease of Abkarry
farm of Mr. Michkin
expired on the 30th June 1912
re

Copy of Telegram
from the Collector of
Ganjam, recommending
the renewal of Mr. Master's
Abkarry Engagement.

Enclosure in favour of
the Board of Revenue
of the Chief Secretary
to Govt. R.D. D.A.
26 March 1872.

Dec. 10/71/72

Revenue Department
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 26 March 1872.

Read again Government Orders
of March 1869, 1867, 11 November 1870, -
no 1,756. //

Read letter from Collector of
Ganjam dated 12 March 1872, no 338.

Read also Telegram from do.
dated 18 March 1872.

In his letter the Collec-
tor simply requests orders as to
whether Mr. Maichin shall be
allowed to retain the Abkarry
of the Ganjam District after the
20 June on the terms in force
during the last three years.

In his Telegram Mr. Master
definitely recommends the renewal
of Mr. Maichin's engagement.

The Abkarry collections for
the last ¹²⁸⁸ years have been as follows:

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Average of 5/1269-1278 Rs 79,194
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Mr. Elaster gives the demand under the engagement as follows:

Fasli 1279 - - - - - Rs 90,348
 1280 - - - - - 78,380

(the amount for a portion of Fasli 1281 is unintelligible). It must be observed however that these figures do not show that the value of the farm is diminishing but only that more liquor was issued from the distillery to the shops in Fasli 1279 than was wanted for that year's consumption.

The revenue has been realized with perfect facility and there have been no complaints either from the people or from officials.

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The Board resolve to recommend that Mr. Elminchin's engagement be renewed with the following modification.

1st. That the salary of the Excise establishment maintained by Government at the distillery may be Rs 100 instead of Rs 50 a month.

2nd. That 60 per cent instead of 50 per cent of the Toddy sub-rents be paid to Government.

True Extract

J. Gole

Secretary

For the Offg Chief Secretary to Govt
 Revenue Dept.
 with 2 enclosures

B. M. Rappaport
 Esq.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 1071.

From Board of Revenue

Dated 26th March

1872;

FOR ORDERS.

I would renew the Farm
for 3 years on the terms
proposed by the Bd. It
is very desirable to give the
system a full & fair trial.

BT I think we might

take 75% of the 2000

rents - which might be covered all

JDS

Revenue 1872 Dist.

No. 1071.

Proceeding of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 26th March 1872

Recd 26 — " — "

Received 27th 4 — " — "

en 2.

Recommendation
that Mr. Smith's
Alkany Sugars should
be renewed with
certain modifications

of Rs 540 - 30 paise 1872

No 5

1872 March 27 11.30 AM

24 June of collection - about

is also the ¹⁵⁰ last to go -
- arrived 20 and

I agree with Mr. Linn

AM

100.

of 100 to 500 - 300 (hand) 1870

Ms. 28 March 1872, 11.30. 1900

105

At 11.40 5.40 - 3.30 1872

FOR ORDERS.

Regarding the Renewal
of Mr. Minchin's
Abkari Management

Ms. 28 March 1872

Revenue Department.

No. 540

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 2^d ^{April} ~~March~~ 1872

Read the following Proceedings of
the Board of Revenue.

Recommending that Mr.
Minchin's Abkari Engagement
be renewed with certain modifi-
cations. } (H.E. 26th March 1872)

The Government
authorizes the Board to
sanction the renewal of
Mr. Minchin's lease of the
Abkari Farm of Ganjam
for a further term of 3 years
on the conditions approved
by them with the modifica-
tion that 75% of the Gross
Sub-rents shall be paid
to Govt. leaving 25% to
the lessee to cover costs of
Collection &c.

[Signature]

2^d April 1872

Secy to Govt. of Revenue 20 April 1872

[Signature]