

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th June 1872.

No. 137. Read the following letter from the Acting Director of Revenue Settlement, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 8th May 1872, No. 791-22 :—

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the favourable consideration of Government, the case of T. Vencatacharry, now Uncovenanted Assistant in the Salem Settlement Party, and whom the Government* lately permitted to have temporary charge of the Deputy-Director's Office during Mr. Goodrich's absence of two months' duration. The post of Uncovenanted Assistant in the Tinnevely Settlement Party having been for some time vacant, owing to Mr. Symonds's promotion to act as Superintendent of the Trichinopoly Central Jail, Mr. Puckle, in December last, requested the Board that Vencatacharry might be nominated to act in the Tinnevely vacancy, thus giving him Rs. 100 a month extra, the pay of Mr. Symonds's confirmed appointment being Rs. 500, and Vencatacharry's present salary, Rs. 250. The Board referred Mr. Puckle's letter to me, and before this reference could be answered, Mr. Goodrich's accident altogether prevented my being able to spare Vencatacharry from Salem. Mr. Goodrich was subsequently compelled to take sick leave to England, and owing to the nomination of a successor new to the work and the district, the same difficulties regarding Vencatacharry's being removed still exist. Owing, therefore, to his experience and usefulness, Vencatacharry may be said to have lost promotion fairly earned.

2. Under these circumstances I would suggest that Vencatacharry be † During Mr. Goodrich's absence, from the 4th January to the 3rd March, Vencatacharry was permitted to receive the Rs. 6 per diem, extra tentage saved to Government by the Deputy's absence, vide G. O., 15th February 1872, No. 89.

increase in salary might be met from savings in the budget of this department. I may finally bring to notice that in 1869 Mr. Master recommended that on account of "Vencatacharry's valuable services," he should receive the salary now advocated, namely, Rs. 350 per mensem; but the Imperial† finances did not then permit of this recommendation being complied with. Vencatacharry's subsequent services have certainly not in any degree lessened the claims then urged on his behalf by Messrs. Puckle and Master for an increase to his salary.

ORDER THEREON, 11th June 1872, No. 926.

Land Revenue.

The additional allowance of Rs. 100 monthly to Vencatacharry is sanctioned as a charge to be met from savings in the budget grant of the department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Revenue Settlement.
.. the Accountant-General.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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THE DIRECTOR OF THE
REVENUE
OFFICE
OF THE
GOVERNMENT
OF
MADRAS

Revenue Settlement Office,
Madras,
No. 491
22 8th May 1872.

From,
Geo. Bankery Esq^r
Acting Director of
Revenue Settlement
To, of
The Honorable W. Huddleston
Offg. Chief Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Sir, Fort St. George

I have the honor to submit
for the favorable consideration
of Government the case of
J. Venkata Shetty, now lineone-
maned Assistant in the Salem
Settlement Party, and whom
the Government lately permi-
ted to have temporary charge
of the Deputy Director's Office
during Mr. Goodrich's absence
of two months duration.

* Vide L. O. dated
6th February 1872 at P. 17.

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have certainly not in any degree
lessened the claims then urged
on his behalf by Messrs. Puckle
and Master for an increase to
his salary.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servt.,

Geo. R. B. B. B.

Acting Director of Revenue.

* Vide L.O. dated
21st November 1867 P.M.

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Recommending for reasons
shown that Venkatacherry
the Provisional had disburse
of the stated settlement but
may be granted an allowance
of Rs 100 in addition to his
pay from the date he delivered
overcharge of the Party
to Mr Goodrich

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

No. 1811

From Agt Director Revenue Settlement

Dated 8th May 1892

FOR ORDERS.

He is the officer to whom
I alluded in my letter
on 4.2 the post. minute,
proposing the appointment
of Sri Venkaya to
act as a Deputy Director
for Mr Goodrich
He is, I fear, in

Receipt of the King's
late of King which a
native assistant can
draw: the proper way
of rewarding him is to
promote him to the higher
grade of *Asi* - it seems
to be less objectionable than the
-piece put to sanction a
native at all times under
the circumstances. If the

10th Nov 1812

to Mr. G. G. G.

The first concern, the best
plan would be to let
the *Asi* know that on
the occurrence of a *Asi*
can be put into the line
bored to promote him,
if he is in all respects
fitted for the higher
grade.

I am
Yours
J. G. G.

I am
Yours
J. G. G.

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FOR ORDERS.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
12th June 1872.

No. 141. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th January 1872, No. 85:—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 7th December 1871, No. 232.

As directed in Board's Proceedings, No. 6,650, dated 14th November 1870, I have the honour to report on paragraph 10 of the Order of Government, No. 1,737, dated 9th November 1870.

2. I approve of the proposal of Mr. Storr in paragraph 46 of his letter, published in the Proceedings of Government under reply, to reduce the rate of assessment on lands under ruined tanks to Rs. 1-8-0 per acre. The ryots in the Sub-division are, as a class, very poor, and are unable to take any work in hand except on very favourable terms. To such men a rate of Rs. 3 per acre on land under a ruined tank would be no inducement to repair the tank. In many cases it would amount to a prohibitive assessment, and the tanks and the lands under them would remain as they are now. Rs. 1-8-0 would not be too low an assessment for these lands.

3. At present (Fasaljasti) second crop water-rate is levied at half the assessment of the land. Mr. Storr proposes a maximum rate at Rs. 4 per acre. At this rate in the highest class of wet lands, assessed now at Rs. 12 per acre, the second crop water-rate would be one-third of the assessment. This is not, I think, a sufficient reduction to benefit the ryots materially, and I would levy the rate one-fourth of the assessment. This is not too low when the trouble and expense which the ryot usually incurs before he can get the water are considered. There is seldom sufficient water in a tank to afford a second supply, and the ryot is entirely dependent on a well dug at great expense by himself. No doubt springs from the tank assist the supply in the well, but this need not be noticed.

4. I do not think it would be advisable to sell ruined tanks, as private interests would be constantly clashing.

5. I cannot recommend that land should be granted upon any condition except that of paying assessment. If, as Mr. Storr suggests, the beds of ruined tanks be given out for cultivation on annual leases it will always be difficult to dispossess the tenant. It would be much better to allow the water-spread to lie waste because the tank may possibly be required at some future time, or to say once for all that a tank cannot be repaired, and give out the land in its bed on putta at a dry rate.

6. I enclose a copy of Mr. Storr's letter.

Enclosure No. 1.

From E. STORR, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, to the Collector of Cuddapah, dated Nallacheruvoo, 19th December 1870, No. 461.

In reply to your foot-note, No. 525 of 24th November 1870, on Board's Proceedings, No. 6,650, of 14th November 1870, requesting a report on paragraph 10 of Government Order, No. 1,737, of 9th November 1870, I have the honour to refer you to paragraph 46 of my letter in the Proceedings referred to, in which I have already given my reasons for considering that the rate of Rs. 3 per acre for lands under ruined tanks is, as a rule, too high for this district.

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No. 1611

From
Ag Director of Rev. Settlements

Dated 8th May 1872
Recd 8th May 1872
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Recommending for
reasons given, that Mukatachary
the Muz. Asst. of the Sub-Collector
Party, may be granted an allowance
of Rs. 100 in addition to his pay for
the date he delivered over charge
of the Party to Mr. Goodrich.

At. 926. 11th June 1872
With order

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