

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th February 1873.*

No. 85. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 31st January 1873, No. 134:—

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Acting Collector of the Chingleput District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Saidapet, 17th December 1872, No. 533:—

I HAVE the honour to forward a statement, showing the amount of arrears of Jodi and Road Fund outstanding against the Shotriem village of Vembakam of the Conjeveram Taluq, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 1,704-11-1, and to

Vide Board's Standing Circular Order, No. 156. request that the Board will obtain the sanction of the Government for its resumption.

2. The Shotriem being an unenfranchised one cannot be sold for these heavy arrears under the Revenue Recovery Act (II. of 1864), and although a formal notice was served on the Shotriemdars, they have taken no heed whatever; I have, therefore, no alternative but to recommend its resumption.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Statement.

RESOLVED that the foregoing letter be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation, that the Acting Collector be authorized to give notice to the Shotriemdars, that the lands forming their Shotriem will be charged with full assessment, from the 1st July next, unless all arrears of jodi are paid up before that date.

2. In the event of the Government sanctioning this course, it will be for the Acting Collector to sell the land (subject to full assessment) early in the coming fasli, should the arrears not be paid in the meantime.

No. 86. ORDER THEREON, 13th February 1873, No. 175.

Miscellaneous.

As the Board have recommended the concession the Government will allow the Inamdars up to 1st July next to pay their arrears of quit-rent; but he views with much disapproval the lenient action of the Revenue authorities of the district in this case. The current fasli year is 1282, and yet nothing has been levied for Faslis 1279, 1280, and 1281. Some road-cess is also due to the Local Funds. Inamdars as well as all other payers of revenue must be promptly visited with the appropriate penalty for wilful default. In regard to Srotriyamdars, like the present defaulters, a special proclamation was published to this effect as far back as 1833.

Board's Standing Order No. 156.

2. The penalty for Srotriyamdars, whose Inam tenure has not been enfranchised (as in the present instance), is forfeiture of the Inam, *i.e.*, the right to

collect and enjoy the public revenue. The Board have inadvertently proposed that the village shall be sold, subject to the full assessment. It is obvious that this would be a fatal injury to the ryots: it is they who are the proprietors of the land, from which they cannot be ousted so long as they pay to Government or the assignee of Government the assessment fixed on it. If the village were sold, the thing bought (the Inam tenure being extinguished) would be the actual proprietorship of all the lands in it; and as the present proprietors have not defaulted this would be a preposterous result. The proper course to be followed is to declare the Inam tenure forfeited, to transfer the village to the Ryotwari Register of the taluq, and to pay to the Local Funds from the treasury the small sums due as road-cess, the Government being clearly responsible for the same on the resumption of the Srotriyam.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

The Board have recommended the
 Government, the Govt will allow the
 Transfers up to 1st July next, to
 pay their arrears of Rent; but
 the Govt will not disapprove the
 Government action of the Revenue authori-
 ties of the district in this case. The
 current Fiscal year is 1882, and yet
 the Govt has been levied for Fashies 1879,
 1880 and 1881. Some road tax is also
 due to the Local Funds Transfers,
 as well as all other payables of Revenue,
 which are promptly visited with the
 appropriate penalty for default. In
 regard to Portingamandars, who are
 present defaulters, a special proclama-
 tion was published to this effect, as from
 the 1st of 1882.

2. The penalty for Portingamandars, whose
 Fashies have not been paid (as in the present instance) is forfeiture
 of the Fashies, i. e. the right to collect &
 enjoy the public revenue. The Board have
 unanimously proposed that the Village
 shall be sold, subject to the full assess-
 ment. This means that this would be
 a fatal injury to the Ryots: it is here

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PROCEEDINGS, 31ST JANUARY 1873, No. 134.

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S.O. No. 175-19 February 1873

JANUARY.

No. 134.

No. 85-86
Shotriem Village of Vembakam—in Con-
jeveram Taluq, Chingleput District.—Govern-
ment recommended to authorize Collector to
give notice to Shotriemdars of—that lands
forming their Shotriem will be charged with
full assessment, from 1st July 1873, unless all
arrears of jodi due on it are paid up before that
date.

C. M.

The Bds Refs 31/1/73 & No 134.

*It is requested that the Enclosure
to this letter may be submitted
in duplicate* *4/2*

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Govt. of 1873 Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated February 18th.

Recd.

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G. O., 18th February 1873, No. 175.

Vide A.P. 10-7-76 & 1754

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 85-86.

Sotriyam Village of Vembaukum in Chingle-
put District.—Proceedings Board of Revenue
regarding the arrears of quit-rent due on it, with
orders thereon.

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