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No. 50. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th March 1873, No. 307 :—

Read the following letter from W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 22nd January 1873, No. 50 :—

ADVERTING to the orders of Government in the Political Department, dated 26th August last, No. 334, I have the honour to submit a detailed statement showing the lands selected and proposed to be assigned for the maintenance and preservation of the tombs of Tippoo Sultan's family at Vellore.

2. The lands are situated in two villages of the Vellore Taluq, viz., Argandampundi and Totapoliem. Their extent and assessment are as shown in the margin.

	Extent.			Assessment.		
	CS.	AS.	CH.	RS.	A.	P.
Argandampundi...	19	7	12	228	13	3
Totapoliem ...	31	15	7	271	3	1
Total ...	51	7	3	500	0	4

3. The Acting Sub-Collector reports that Syed Fazeeloolah Kadri, the present superintendent of the tombs, has seen the lands proposed, and has signed the original vernacular statement in token of his entire satisfaction, and to show that he has no objection to offer.

4. At my instance the Acting Sub-Collector has spoken to Haji Mahomed Hussen Khan as well as to Syed Fazeeloolah Kadri on the subject of a guardian for the tombs. The former is a near connexion of the Mysore family, and was at one time guardian of the tombs at Mysore. He is perfectly satisfied, as the Acting Sub-Collector reports that Syed Fazeeloolah Kadri should remain as guardian, and would be sorry to see him removed from the post he has held for fifteen years.

5. Mr. Kelsall points out that some confusion has been introduced from the circumstances of Mr. Comyn, in the letter embodied in the G. O. under reference, using the terms "guardian" and "gate-keeper" as synonymous. Syed Fazeeloolah Kadri is the superintendent or guardian of the tombs; he regulates the ceremonies and exercises a general supervision over the establishment. What Mr. Comyn recommended would appear to be a gate-keeper to keep out cattle, etc. The guardian has promised that when the increased Inam was granted he would nominate a man for this purpose, and pay him Rupees 4 or 5 per mensem.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Statement.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to the order quoted.

2. The Board presume that it is intended merely to assign the revenue of these lands. Paragraph 2 of the Government Order is obscure on the point.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
18*th March* 1873.

Transferred to the Political Department.

(By order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
11*th March* 1873.

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 51. ORDER THEREON, 18th March 1873, No. 110.

The intention of Government is that an actual assignment of land in free tenure should be made of such quality and extent as to produce an additional annual rental of Rupees 500 to the endowment.

2. An assignment of Land Revenue to this amount is open to certain objections, and the Government would prefer the original proposal, which will in fact entail the necessity of a purchase by Government of land estimated to produce Rupees 500 yearly *including* the assessment, which would be remitted. The Collector will submit fresh proposals.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
,, Collector of North Arcot, with an enclosure returned.

Exd. J. Wright.

Revenue Dept

No. 875.

Govt. of {1873} Madras.

POLITICAL.

To

THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated March, 18th.

Recd. 24.

Encl.

G. O., 18th March 1873, No. 119.

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Nos. 50-51.

Directing the Collector of North Arcot to submit fresh proposals in connexion with the assignment of land for the maintenance and preservation of the tombs of Tippoo Sultan's family at Vellore.

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