

22nd March 1873.

No. 227. Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 8th March 1873.

Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort St. George, Madras, dated 6th March 1873, No. 139.

With reference to the order of Government No. 159 of 8th February 1873, I have the honour to observe that it is not clear whether the abatement of assessment on the whole of the lands taken up for railway purposes should be capitalized, or whether it is intended that the loss of revenue on lands only, which are permanently occupied by the Railway Companies, should be so treated.

2. From the Abstract Register of lands taken up for railways in this Presidency up to the half-year ending 30th June 1872, it appears that the annual remission of revenue on A, B, and D lands is Rs. 42,706, which being capitalized at twenty years' purchase gives Rs. 8,54,120.

3. As Class B lands are restored to Government when no longer required by the Railway Companies it appears doubtful whether the abatement of assessment on these lands should be capitalized or not.

4. In the statements submitted by the Revenue authorities, and from which the Abstract Register is compiled in this Office, the abatement of assessment on A, B, and D lands is shown under one heading; but if it is intended that the loss of revenue on A and D lands only is to be capitalized it will be necessary in future to obtain the amount of abatements for each of the classes separately.

I have the honour to request the instructions of Government on this point.

TRANSFERRED to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
22nd March 1873.

No. 354.

No. 228.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Miscellaneous.

SIR,—With reference to the endorsement of your Officiating Under-Secretary, dated 31st January 1873, No. 697, I am directed to transmit herewith copy of the letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 6th March 1873, No. 139, and to request the instructions of the Government of India on the points therein raised regarding the capitalizing of the abatement of assessment on the lands taken for railway purposes.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

Erd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

No. 139

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

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I have the honour to be
Your most Obedt Servant
W. K. Mookerjee Lieut R.E.
for Cons Eng for Railways

Madras
6 March
1873

Revenue Depart^{mt}
22^d March 1873.

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To
The Secretary to the Gov^t of India
Financial Dep^{mt}

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poses.

It is well known
there can be any
doubt that only her
present occupation
of the land should be
taken as the basis of
working

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Revenue Department
22^d March 1873



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Revenue Dept^{mt} 1873. 697.
No. 139.

From

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort Saint George.

Dated 6th March 1873.
Recd. 10th

Do 6746/134. 22^d March 1873.
No. 139.

Regarding in-
structions in relation
to the abatement of
assessment on lands
taken up for Railway
purposes being capitalised

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No. 227-228

C. 15: March 1873. R. 19: March

Transmitted

To Govt. of India
Relative to Capitalizing
of the abatement of as-
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