

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th August 1873.*

No. 50. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th August 1873, No. 1,515 :—

Read the following letter from H. E. SULLIVAN, Esq., Acting Collector of South Arcot, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Verdachellum, 29th July 1873, No. 270 :—

IN reply to your Official Memorandum, dated 15th Instant, No. 1,048, I have the honour to state that, on the receipt of G. O., dated 11th January last, No. 38, I instructed Deputy-Collector Stri Baliah, in whose division the Checkadi Jaghire proper is situate, to undertake the provisional settlement therein ordered, and I now enclose copy of his letter, dated 23rd Instant, reporting progress.

2. There is not, as supposed by Government, any old Pymash available for any of the Checkadi Jaghire villages; the Survey Register prepared in 1855 is of no use, as the fields cannot be identified, and a register prepared under the orders of Mr. Reade in 1869, although of some assistance, does not correctly represent the existing cultivated area, so that the whole work had to be commenced afresh.

3. Up to the date of the Deputy-Collector's report, the Registers for six villages in the Trinomallay, and four villages in the Trickalore Taluq have been made out. This does not appear much, but the Deputy-Collector has had considerable difficulties to contend with. Fever has, up to the last month, prevailed to such an extent in the northwest of the district that special medical aid had to be supplied from Madras; added to which, the Curnams were fully occupied in the preparation of the Jumahbundy accounts, whilst the Deputy-Collector himself being engaged in the settlement of his division has not, until now, been able to give much personal supervision to this special work, and in consequence time has been wasted by the only subordinate agency he had at his disposal. He is now on the spot, and if allowed to remain, would, I am confident, fulfil his promise of having the registers completed by the end of September, and would be in a position to submit his proposals for approval in time for the new Settlement being introduced at the Jum-mahbundy for the current year. But just as he has fairly started the work he is ordered off to Madras, and it will have to be taken up by a new man totally ignorant of all details and unacquainted with the system which it is proposed to abolish. I cannot speak too highly of Stri Baliah's energy and administrative ability, so that if he gets promotion by his removal to Madras, I would be the last to stand in his way, but if this is not the case, I would strongly recommend his being allowed to remain in this district until this settlement of the Jaghire villages is completed. As the Deputy-Collector appointed to relieve him has to come all the way from Tinnevely, there will be time, if the Board concur with my views, to move the Government on the subject.

THIS letter will be submitted to Government with a strong recommendation that the Deputy-Collector Stri Baliah may be directed to complete the settlement on which he is engaged and which has been already too long deferred.

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9th August 1873.

No. 51.

ORDER THEREON, 9th August 1873, No. 823.

Miscellaneous.

UNDER the circumstances represented
by the Acting Collector, C. Stribaliah
will be permitted to remain in the South
Arcot District and M. Suryamurti Pillay will be gazetted to the Madras Town
charge.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No 304

Camp Cheekadi Jaghir
Raymudapuram
23 July 1873.

From The Deputy Collector
General duties
South Arcot

To H. E. Sullivan Esquire
Acting Collector
South Arcot.

Sir

In reply to your letter No. 773
dated 18th Instant I have the
honour to report as follows on the
progress made in the provisional
settlement of the Cheekadi and
Senkarapuram jaghir villages:
2. Of the 56 villages in the
latter jaghir, 52 lie in the Kalla-
kurchi Taluq of the Sub Collector's
division and as it is apparently
intended that the Cheekadi
villages should be primarily
settled I have not yet taken
up the 52 villages in the Kalla-
kurchi Taluq.

3. There is no old Pymash available

-able for any of the Chekadi jaghir
villages. The Survey Registers of
Colonel Priestley prepared in 1855
are of no use considering the
present condition of the country
and the Government do not intend
that the Survey fields should be
attempted to be identified.
The only register available for
Chekadi is that prepared in
Jasli 1279 under orders of the
Collector Mr. Reade. In these
no mention is made of waste
lands since brought under cul-
-tivation or of cultivable po-
-ramboke lands. It is a list of
the fields actually under
cultivation in 1279. Fresh
fields have since been brought
under the plough and I therefore
deputed a Revenue Inspector
to identify the fields in Mr.
Reade's Register and measure
and number at the same time
the lands since cultivated
and which may be also cultivable.
These

These Registers are now ready for
6 villages in Chekadi jaghir in
Sinnomallai Taluq and for the
4 jaghir villages in Trichalore
Taluq as shown in Enclosure A

4. As you are aware the present
year was peculiarly unfavourable
for any field operations. Fever
was prevailing in this part of
the country during the last
7 months, and several of the
Curnums were laid up with
the malarial, so that it was diffi-
cult to get even the jamabandi
accounts ready without some-
months delay.

Secondly—Owing to the progress
of the annual Jamabandi and
to the preparation of the accounts
therewith connected and which
were submitted to your office
only the day before yesterday no
hands on the regular Establishment
of the Tahsildar were available
for this extra work.

Thirdly—In the 4 villages in
Trichalore Taluq the Registers had
to

to be prepared a fresh from the
Curnum's accounts, and in 2 of
them the fields also had to be mea-
-sured. In the completed 6
villages in Chekadi jaghire,
the Revenue Inspector un-
-necessarily remeasured the
fields entered in Mr. Reader's
Registers, and these circumstances
retarded a more satisfactory
progress being made in the
preparation of the Registers.

5 I have now been in the field
with the Revenue Inspector and
showed him how the Registers
ought to be prepared. I omitted
to measure the fields specified
in the Register of fasli 1279, but
simply identified them and those
intervening but which were not
taken into account in 1279
because they were waste, were
now measured so as to leave no
vacant area, and at this rate
I was able to go over an area of
50 acres in about one hour's time



6. The ordinary work in the Taluqs
is now comparatively light. The
arrears of Revenue have been
collected leaving but a very
small balance. The Dakhats
are disposed of as they come in,
and there is hardly any cul-
-tivation going on owing to
want of rains. I have
therefore made arrangements
that at least 4 hands, 2 from
each of the two Taluqs in the
Division, should work at
Chekadi and with this aid
I am confident that the
Registers will be completed
before the 30th September next
and I may be able to submit my
proposals in time for their being
sanctioned before the annual
settlement for the current
fasli 1283, takes place.

I have ^{very}
Sd/- B. Tripathi
Dy. Collector
(True copy)

Sd/- N. C. Sullivan
Dy. Collector.
(True copy)

Sd/-
Secretary

Sd/- J. H. H. H.

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Inclusion in Brewster's
Proceedings dated
1st August 1873
at Albany & the
Government P.O.

Dec. 23/73

Copy of a
Letter from the U.S.
Collector General
Auditor Charles M. West
dated 23rd Aug 1873
No. 317, regarding the
Provisions made in the
first internal settlement
of the Chickadee and
Saw Whetsuman before
entire etc

Revenue 1873 Sept

No 2344

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD
OF REVENUE.

Dated 6th } August 1873.
Despatched 6 }

Recd - 8th

on 2 X one day 6/7/73

SUBJECT

Recommend that
By-bill: The Malak
who is engaged in
Settlement of Chakras
payable in District 8th
has been ordered to
should be directed to
remain in 8th to complete
that work.

JMS

sent from
taken in (amount)

To Revenue with 1 Cent
P. Copy sent - 18/8/73

Under the circumstances recommended
by Mr. Asst. C. The bill will be
submitted to Council in Mr. J. R. M. T.
and Mr. Janga must fill up with the
to the former Machine Town change

No 23