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Revenue DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th June 1874.*

No. 67. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th May 1874, No. 1,038 :—

Read the following letter from J. HOPE, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sirwell, 1st April 1874, No. 104 :—

In reference to G. O., No. 147, dated 27th January 1874, forwarded to me by the Board (*vide* Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 735, dated 4th February 1874), I have the honour to state that after full consideration of the circumstances of the case, I am of opinion that the special duties devolving on the Deputy Collector in connection with canal irrigation fully entitle him to the privilege he has hitherto enjoyed of drawing permanent batta and mileage.

2. The work of taking up land for channels and settling the compensation to be paid to the landowners is not the only duty requiring the Deputy Collector to travel frequently. The following is his own classification of the out-door work he has to do in connection with the special department.

1st.—To check the measurements made by the Revenue Inspectors.

2nd.—To rectify the plans.

3rd.—Local inquiry for refunds of compensation in cases where the original lines have been altered on professional grounds or refunds from other causes.

4th.—To examine lands or crops damaged by the leakage, etc., from the canal.

5th.—To examine localities requiring crossings.

6th.—Distribution of compensation.

The work appears to have increased of late years with the gradual extension of irrigation. From a detailed statement the Deputy Collector has submitted to me, I find that whereas in 1871 (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 2,895, dated 12th July 1871) he was absent from his head-quarters for eleven days on an average each month, in 1872 and 1873 he was absent for fourteen days and fifteen days, respectively.

Should the Government sanction the New Irrigation Rules proposed by the Committee lately held at Cuddapah (including as they do a considerable reduction of water-rate for the earlier years of cultivation), there is little doubt that great increase in irrigation may be anticipated, and the work of the special officer will be increased proportionately.

To say the very least, however, the same reasons for continuing the privilege, which were adduced two years ago, exist with equal force now. I hope, therefore that its further continuance may be sanctioned.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G. O., dated 27th January 1874, No. 147.

2. The Board adhere to their opinion that no sufficient cause is shown for giving the Deputy Collector permanent batta in addition to mileage.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department.
8th June 1874.

No. 68.

ORDER THEREON, 8th June 1874, No. 701.

Miscellaneous.

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2. His Excellency the Governor in Council has given his careful consideration to the correspondence which has passed on this subject, and has come to the conclusion that the present arrangement should continue. He has been influenced in this decision by the fact that the duty which the Deputy Collector is called upon to perform is over and above his regular work, and needs considerable tact and attention.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant-General.

Ed. W. H. French.

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Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 4th May 1874. No. 1038:-

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of Kurnool.
To,
The Secretary to the
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Obdt. of 1874 Madras.

REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Secy. Secy. Secy.

Dated June 8th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O. 8th June 1874, No. 701.

JUNE
Nos. 67-68.

Permanent Batta and Mileage to Special
Deputy Collector, Kurnool.—Sanctions con-
-sist of —, with remarks.



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be sanctioned.

I have ^{been} ~~been~~
(signed) James Hope
As. Collector
Revenue Collector's Office,
on Circuit
Sivall 1st April 1874.

Submitted to Government
with reference to G. O. 27th January
1874.

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opinion that no sufficient cause is shown
for giving the Deputy Collector permanent
hatta in addition to mileage.

(True copy & extract)

J. Grose
Secretary.

To, The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

E. M. M. M.
Copy
W. P. Watson

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I see no ground
for continuing the
allowance of permanent
Batta to an officer
on the establishment
of the District and
I consider these
permanent allowances
with reference to outdoor
work discouraging rather
than encourage what
is actually their object

Special allowance
to Deputy Collectors engaged
on Surveying were
justifiable. They left
their Honors for distant
Districts which they
were

80-273 Bump 174 No 147 No.

N^o 1470.

Revenue 1874 Papers

Proceedings of the

Board of Revenue

Dated 4th Aug 1874.

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Received. 5th Aug 1874

C. J. H. J. H.

Submitting. 8th Aug 1874

Letter from Collector of

Bombay stating why the

Commissioner should be

allowed to be paid

50 8 June 174 No 107

were defunct, but
that is no count
precedent for Con-
stituting special ex-
allowances to every
Office employee on
Railway or irrigation
work.

Here we have to
do with the permanent
District Establishment;
apparently the duty
has become or is likely
to become absolutely
permanent. and I
submit that this is
an irregular way of
enhancing pay.

I agree with the
Board that it should
be disallowed. Mileage
and halting allowances
sufficiently

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sufficiently cover their
extra cost of travelling
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Memo. for Orders on No. 1470.

Pro. Board of Revenue
 Batta & mileage to Special Dy.
 Collector employed in Kurnool Dist.
 for making over lands for dis-
 tribution channels.

4 May 1874, No. —

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I am in favor
 of continuing the
 Batta - 90 Rs. per m.
 but merely because
 I think the Collector makes
 out a fair case for
 it - but still because
 I think it is well
 that a special ad-
 ditional allowance should be
 paid for this special
 duty - which needs con-
 siderable time & attention
 L. O. 3075

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 been long at issue and
 upon which the Board of
 Revenue disagree with the
 Collector is whether the Deputy
 Collector in Kurnool who is
 in charge of the Special
 Dept. employed for making
 over land to the Irrigation
 and Canal Company should
 draw permanent batta in
 addition to mileage -

2. The first Deputy
 Collector who was appoint-
 ed to this duty was Naga-
 nada Row, and in their
 order

order on the subject (G. O.

2^d June 1860, N^o 910) the

Govt. ruled that while em-

ployed on this service so far

from his own home and Dis-

trict he should draw Batta

and travelling allowance at

the same rates as the Deputy

Collector employed under the

Irish Commission (Rs. 3

per diem and a mileage of

4 annas).

3. A similar concession

as far as permanent Batta

is concerned was made in

the cases of the General Dy.

Collector in Bellary as long

as he was engaged in making

over land for the Railway

(G. O. 16th Nov. 1866, N^o 3117)

and of a similarly situated

officer in Cuddapah who

was entrusted with the duty

of settling compensation

for lands required by the

Railway

Railway and the Irrigation

and Canal Company. (G. O.

24th March 1868, N^o 756).

4. In 1868 the appoint-

ment of Special Deputy

Collector in Kurnool appears

to have been abolished and

the officer who had up to the

date of the change been so

employed and drawn the special

rate of Batta came on the

regular Staff of the District

and had to perform General

duties besides transferring

land to the Company. The

permanent Batta which

was in consequence discon-

tinued was on the recom-

mendation of the Board of Revenue

again sanctioned to A. Sudan-

sana Rao to be continued

so long as he might be en-

gaged in arranging for the

transfer of lands to the

Irrigation and Canal Company

in Kurnool, (G.O. 12 Decr.
1868, N^o 3098.).

5. It subsequently
appeared that this officer
as well as his predecessors
had been drawing mileage
on the strength of G.O.
2 June 1860, N^o 910 (para-
graph 2 supra). The
Board thought that the
case of A. Sudarsana Rao
did not fall under the
same category as that of
Ragunada Rao, but after
a reference to the Account-
ant General the Govern-
ment sanctioned the
continuance of mileage
to him (G.O. 3rd Sept. 1869,
N^o 2494.)

6. The Govt. of India
having excluded from the
Public Works Budget the
cost of the establishments
employed.

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employed for making over
land to the Madras Irriga-
tion and Canal Company
the Government observed
that as the demand for
land by the Company
would cease in March
1871 no establishment
would be required in
1871-72 (G.O. 25 January
1871, N^o 135) but on a
report from the Collector
of Kurnool they subse-
quently (16 May 1871,
N^o 560) sanctioned a
reduced temporary es-
tablishment for 12
months.

7. On this occasion
the Collector recommended
that

that the Deputy Collector
should receive as heretofore
"tentage and mileage, for
"this work requires constant
"travelling about not only
"in his own Division but
"in all of the Taluqs affect-
"ed by the Canal." The
Board on the other hand
thought that the perma-
nent batta should no
longer be allowed. "The
"demand for land has
"ceased and the work
"which remains to be
"done must be chiefly
"office work." The Govt.
also were of opinion
that no permanent
batta can any longer
be allowed if the
Deputy Collector's
business.

business consisted mostly of office
work but admitting to the Collector's
remark about "constant travelling"
they thought further consideration
on this point was demanded.

8. The Collector then reported
that it was a misapprehension
to consider that the work remain-
ing to be done was chiefly office
work, and that the demand
for land had not ceased, and
would not until all the distribu-
tion channels and their sub-
sidiary works were completed.

He shewed that there were pressing
duties to perform which necessi-
tated travelling, and mention-
ed that during the preceding
six months, the D^y Collector had
been absent from Head Quarters
eleven days in the month, on an
average, on this duty.

9. The Board did not
think this a sufficient ground
for continuing the special al-
lowance, but Govt. sanctioned
the permanent batta of Rs 3
per diem up to the close of
the

the then current official year
(G.O. 21st September 1871 N^o 1635).

10. The special establishment
was subsequently continued for
a further period of six months.

(G.O. 2nd June 1872 N^o 866); again
till the 31st March 1873 (G.O.
27 February 1873 N^o 142) and
by further orders for 1873-74 and
1874-75 (G.O. 13 March 1873
and 27 January 1874 N^{os} 304
and 67.)

11. In forwarding the
correspondence upon which the
last named order was passed
the Board again took occasion
to remark that sufficient cause
did not exist for giving the
Deputy collector permanent batta
in addition to mileage and re-
commended that this should
not be allowed after the end
of the current official year.

They observed that "he can
"have little out-door work now
"in connection with transferring
"land to the Irrigation Company."
The Govt. however decided that
the

the opinion of the collector might
be procured on this "batta"
question.

12. The Deputy collector's
letter dated 27th October 1873
N^o 144, which forms an encl-
-sure to the correspondence re-
-corded in G.O. 27th January 74
N^o 147 contains an account of
the out-door and indoor work
performed by the Special de-
-partment, himself included.

The collector has also in his
letter, received with the Board's
Proceedings now awaiting disposal
given a list of the duties which
require the Deputy collector to
travel frequently, and in
reiterating his opinion that the
Deputy collector should continue
to enjoy the privilege of drawing
permanent batta and mileage,
he points out that the work
appears to have increased of
late years with the gradual
extension of irrigation and
that during 1872 and 1873
the

the Deputy collector was absent from Head Quarters, on an average, for 14 and 15 days every month. Indeed he looks at the work increasing hereafter.

13. Notwithstanding this strong expression of opinion, the Board adhere to their opinion that no sufficient cause is shown for giving the Deputy collector permanent batta in addition to mileage.

Caders requested.

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Memorandum for Caders

Permanent batta + mileage to be given to the Deputy collector employed for making new land in the District of ...

Memo. for Orders

Permanent batta and
mileage to Dy. Collector
in Kurnool employed in
making over land to the
Irrigation Canal Co.

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So on with present
arrangements as
it is more above
his regular
work

C 29th May 1874 R 1st June 1874

Revenue Department.

No. 701.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 8th June 1874.

READ the following Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue.

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he considers the special Deputy
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batta and mileage. —

H. E. 4th May 1874 N^o.

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Let
from order
in Council
5/6/74

To B. J. R. and
A. M. G. } 2/18 June 74

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G.O.

Remains to be taken into
Special D7 collection
or Varnool.

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Dr