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Revenue DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th August 1875.*

Read again paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 26th May 1875, No. 1,430, recorded in G. O., 21st June 1875, No. 1,301.

Read also the following:—

No. 65. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th July 1875, No. 1,911.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 30th June 1875, No. 981, Revenue Department.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating telegram from Government of India requesting that the trade returns called for may be expedited as soon as possible.

THE telegram from the Government of India evidently relates to the returns required for the Secretary of State in G. O., dated 11th February 1875, No. 219, although paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 12th April 1875, No. 900, with reference to which the telegram has been communicated, applies to the annual volume of 1874-75.

2. Besides the difficulty of getting information regarding the trade for each port in this Presidency, there are other difficulties in connection with the statements required by the Secretary of State for 1874-75. They are as follow:—

(1.) The foreign ports from and to which articles are imported and exported are not known but only the countries.

(2.) The quantities for certain articles for which values alone are given in the accounts cannot be ascertained ~~and also given~~.

(3.) The nationality of vessels entered and cleared from and to each foreign country cannot be ascertained without further inquiry.

(4.) Vessels entered and cleared from and to ports within the Presidency cannot be ascertained without calling for information from the districts.

3. Under these circumstances, the Board represented in their Proceedings, dated 26th May 1875, No. 1,430, that the statements could not be forwarded for 1874-75, and requested that their submission for that year might not be pressed, and the Government approved of their suggestion in their Order, dated 21st June 1875, No. 1,301.

4. The Board now request to be informed whether the statements should be prepared for 1874-75 with the imperfections above pointed out, or whether they may send the usual statements which are almost ready, leaving the new forms to be adopted from 1875-76. It will take at least a month for the new forms to be filled up with the information available in this office.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th August 1875.*

No. 66. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th July 1875, Miscellaneous No. 6,243.

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, dated 21st June 1875, No. 1,301.

ABSTRACT.—Recording Board's Proceedings communicating to Collectors of Maritime Districts Government order on the subject of adoption of certain forms in the preparation of Trade and Navigation Returns.

RECORDED.

2. The Board gather that their suggestions in paragraphs 7 and 8 of their Proceedings are approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

H. E. STOKES,

Acting Secretary.

No. 67. ORDER THEREON, 9th August 1875, No. 1,189.

Separate Revenue, No. 4.
Customs.

The suggestions in paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Board's Proceedings of the 26th May 1875, No. 1,430, did not escape notice, but pending a reply from the

Government of India to a reference which had been made to them on Board's Proceedings, 12th April 1875, No. 900, the issue of definite instructions was postponed.

2. In the matter of the statements called for by the Government of India, the Board should forward, at an early date, the information required for 1874-75, and report to Government whether further investigation has shown that it will be impossible to obtain that required for previous years.

3. The Board's avowed inability to furnish for 1874-75 the statements required by the Secretary of State has quite taken the Government by surprise, as in their Proceedings of the 12th April last, No. 900, nearly two months after the Circular of the Government of India had been communicated to them, no such doubts were expressed by the Board.

4. His Excellency the Governor in Council is constrained to observe that the difficulties experienced in the preparation of these forms ought to have been detected at a much earlier date. Some of them, it would appear from the detailed explanation now afforded, could have been removed by so simple a measure as a reference to the districts, and delay that has occurred calls for explanation.

5. The information available should now be recorded in the new forms, and, during their preparation, a further reference should be made regarding paragraphs (3) and (4) in paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings of the 9th July 1875, No. 1,911. The Marine Department might possibly be able to render some assistance.

6. The Government of India, in a letter which will be separately communicated to the Board, intimate that the forms from other provinces have already been received, and express their disappointment at the delay in Madras where, they remark, "it would seem that no attempt was being made to furnish them."

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th August 1875.*

7. Great stress is laid by the Home Government on the early submission of all these statistical returns, and His Excellency trusts that strenuous efforts will be made to submit them with the least possible delay.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

A. MACGREGOR,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

For the Annual Volume

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 9th July 1875 No 1411

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BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated August 9th.

Recd.

G. O. 9th August 1875, No 1,189

Recd.

AUGUST.

Nos. 65-67.

Trade Returns—Passport orders, with returns
relative to the preparation of — for 1874-75.

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H. W. M.

By Secretary

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

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Revenue Department.

Miscellaneous No 6243

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 10th July 1875.

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, dated 21st June 1875, No 1301, recording Board's Proceedings communicating to Collectors of Maritime Districts G.O. on the subject of adoption of certain forms in the preparation of Trade and Navigation Returns.

Recorded.

2. The Board gather that their suggestions in paras 7 & 8 of their Proceedings are approved.

(True Extract)

W. H. Thomas
As Secretary

To,
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

[Signature]

20th Feb 1875 No 1301
- 1 June 1875 - 3 - 4
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Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue
21st June 1875
No 1301
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20th Nov. 9th August 1875

Printing and
certain difficulties
in preparation of
Trade Returns for 1874
required by the Secretary
of State and requiring
the information of
the Board can be for
wards in the usual
form.

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Mis. No 6243.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,
dated 10 July 1878.

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Government, Revenue Department, dated
21st June 1878, No 1301, recording Board's
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(True Extract)

/s/ H.E. Stokes
Secretary.

To,
The Secretary to Gov.
Revenue Dept.

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No 1875 = 2462
No 691
M. 2752
Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue.

Dated 10th July 1878.
Ref 16th —
Dated 10 —

of Pol. 1189. 9th August 1878

Recording with
certain remarks
G.O. on lines of
Board's communication
relating to Collectors
of Maritime Districts
on the subject of
adoption of certain forms
in the preparation of
Trade & Navigation
Returns.

Revenue Department

No 1189.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 9th August 1875.

Read again paras 7 and 8 of the
Board's Proceedings dated 26th July
1875 No 1430 recorded in G.O.
21st June 1875, No 1301.

Read also the following
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Pointing out certain difficulties
in the preparation of Trade
Returns for 1874-75 } (H.C. 9 July 1875 No 1911)

Recording G.O. ~~and~~ Board's Pro^s
comg. to Collectors of Maritime District
Govt order on the subject of adopting
certain forms in the preparation
of Trade Returns. } H.C. 10 July 1875 Misc. No 6243.

The suggestions in paras
7 and 8 of the Board's Proceedings
of

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Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue.

Actd to }
Recd 16th } Aug 1875

The Secretary to
the Government
Revenue.

No 9 August 1875
1875

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To The Board of Revenue

Note

On recent correspondence between this Govt.,
that of India, and the Board of Revenue, regarding
Trade Returns & Statistics

The Govt. of India
issued three circulars
regarding Trade Returns
and Statistics on one and
the same day - viz, the 22^d
January last. -

The 1st, No. 78-81,

See G. O. 11th Feb/75 No. 218.

- (a) forwarded certain lists to be
used from the 1st of April/75
- (b) prescribed certain new forms,
and additions to old ones to
be used at once in the prepara-
- tion of the annual volume for 1874-75

(c)

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(c) called for a report as to the accuracy of certain returns and the system by under which they were prepared

(d) ordered the submission of certain duplicate returns

2. The 2^d, No 82-85,

(a) forwarded 14 returns prescribed by the Secy of State to be submitted annually "within a week after the close of the year to which they refer"

The date from which their submission was to commence was not distinctly stated, but might be inferred from the request that "they may be circulated to all ports in Mexico to be filled up from the corrected totals of the monthly returns"

They were designated "additional forms" and it was stated that the information furnished therein "already exists in other forms in the local returns," and suggestions as to avoiding their being dispensed with, were invited (b)

See G.O. 11: 86/95 N. 219.

- * (I) Government stores and treasures were to be separated from private traders
- (II) and the forms were to be for ports, not for districts as at present, and those having a foreign trade were to be distinguished from those having only a coasting trade, the latter being grouped as "minor ports in the district of"
- (III) The particulars regarding certain ports were only to be filled up triennially
- (IV) Trade with foreign ports in Latin was to be dealt with as coasting

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(b) instructions as to their preparation were also given.

(c) and these it was stated, applied also to the Annual Volume for 1874-75, and to the monthly returns from the 1st April 1875

(d) an inquiry as to the probability of certain errors arising from a double entry of goods, was ordered, and, lastly, (e) an additional copy of the monthly returns was called for.

3. The 3^d Circular, No 86-89, related to the preparation of Shipping Bills & Landing Passes, and was purely one of details

4. About three months afterwards, viz on the 8th of April, the Govt of India passed a resolution in which it was stated that, since the Circulars, the subject had been further considered, and

and with the result that the forms, monthly and annual, has been revised

- (a) The instructions as to these, in the Circulars were recapitulated, and
(b) of the new forms, such as form "information not hitherto given in the annual volume for the Govt. of India" were to be submitted "for 1874-75 and four preceding years" "with the least possible delay," or "by the 1st of August at latest."

Nothing was said as to the ^{date of} submission of the 14 statements prescribed by the Secretary of State and referred to in the 2^d Circular of the 22^d January.

5. The Circulars were, immediately on receipt, communicated to the Board, who, on the 12th of April (or two months after the date of the G.O. forwarding it) passed

See in G.O. 22^d April/75 No. 639

* See G.O. 1st June 1875, No. 857.

a proceedings as to the 2^d Circular No. 82-85 and said the statements (i.e. the 14 prescribed by the Secretary of State) would be prepared but could not be sent before the ³⁰ Xth of June.

see (c) in para supra.

They then referred to that part of the same Circular which referred to the preparation of the Annual Volume and asked permission to give effect to an instruction requiring the form to be filled up for Pools and not for districts in future volumes and not in that for 1874-75.

6. Now as shown above the

the 2^d Circular had
primarily reference to the
Secretary of States' 14 State-
ment. As in drafting a
letter to the Gov^t of India
on the Board Proceedings
a mistake was not un-
naturally fallen into and
it was stated that the
Board had difficulty in
their preparation and
wished to postpone them.

The Gov^t of India
telegraphed in reply
"returns for Districts
may be furnished. Earliest
possible submission
requested."

This was the first distinct
request for the early
submission of the Secretary
of States' Statements.

7. In the meantime
the

See letter of 1st June 1875,
No. 858.

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The Board had reviewed
the Gov^t of India's reso-
lution of the 9th of April
and said

(1) that they could not
submit for 1874-75 and
preceding years some of the
information therein required

(2) that the Secretary
of States' 14 Statements
would also not be
furnished until 1875-76.

These Proceedings were
recorded apparently because
the Gov^t of India had
been asked to allow the
Secretary of States' State-
ments to be postponed.

8. When the Gov^t of India
telegram was communi-
cated to the Board they
saw at once it related

To

to the Secretary of State's
statements and then
issued another Proceedings
saying some of the in-
formation could not
be given at all and
for the first time would
be required.

These are now waiting
disposal together with the
accompanying letter from
the Govt of India urging
in the submission of the
the statements and
expressing great regret at
the delay in their submission.

9. It is observed that the
Board were very long in
finding out difficulties
in the way of preparing
the Secretary of State's
statements and as
really very little infor-
mation is wanted and
some

By G.O. in MS
I do take the 18th of this.
with regard to para 8. of this
No. 20 May 75 No. 14 do.
that the G.O. in MS.
did not attach such
importance to the receipt
of the 14th Stat. for 74/5
that they have submitted
them in the least possible
delay, complete so far
as the information
enables the MS. to compile
them. & with brief expl.
of the omissions.

Let from Govt of India
that this I don't think
can excuse the non-sub-
mission in proper time
of these Stats. by alleging the
inconvenience in early submission
by the G.O. in this circular
No. 22. 83. It is dated 22 June 75
& it was reasonable to be for
that they were required for 74/5.
However it was not expressly
intended that they had to be

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some of that might be
obtained it is proposed now
to urge their preparation
as quickly and as perfectly
as possible. Similar
orders are also suggested
with reference to the new
information required for
the Govt of India's Annual
Volume.

10. It is also proposed to
inform the Govt of India
of these instructions, to explain
why the 14 statements were
postponed and to point out
that their early submission
was not distinctly insisted
upon in the 2^d Circular.

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20 May 75
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Specimens upranted for
each S. if not for each
Lot. & then circ. &
filled up for each S. at
least. it might have
entailed some delay
but the 1st night / 12:15 apr.

12:00 / supposed their
intention & forwarded them
by 20 June or thereabouts
It is only on 26 June
that they find out they
can't send them at all.

It is a pity this S. has
simply "Recorded" by
S. - on 21. June 75. in
No. 1301. Did I pass
the S.?

Mr. H. kindly intended
I send them for 7/6. by
posting them up from in S.
in their office. & it was
only after a time that
it was apparently that
they found this S. was
not to be given for the

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purpose. Since from
this 2 S. that they
did not send them to
follow. In fact I don't
see that they have yet
done so. in view of their
compilation for 75/6 in
the S. in the manner
directed by the S. in
C.O. 82-85. para 1.

With ref. to para 7. of
S. 2 S. 2 May 1430.
I should make ref. to
S. by separate letter.
State can't keep the
2 matters viz the 14
Statute. & the Annual
Vol. quite distinct.

LA

Trade Returns

Revenue Department.
No 1189
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Under dated the 9th Augt/75

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Recording G.O. in 13th Vol.
Comm. to Comr of Maritime & C.
for order on the subject of adopting
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