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Revenue DEPARTMENT

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
COTACAMUND,
9th October 1875.

No. 1,480.

No. 68.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE.

Separate Revenue, No. 14.

Customs.

* Proceedings of Government, dated 9th October 1875, No. 1,479.

SIR,—With reference to the subject of your letter of the 31st August 1875, No. 504, I am directed to forward copy of the Proceedings* of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th September 1875, No. 2,498.

2. It will be observed that the Board state that, in order to meet the wishes of the Government of India, it will be necessary to raise the cost of the establishment entertained in their office from Rs. 5,844 to Rs. 9,708; and I am to urge on the Government of India the absolute necessity of complying with this recommendation. A tabular statement embracing the charges proposed is appended.

3. As pointed out by the Board, the difficulties connected with the tabulation of trade statistics arise not with regard to the trade at the chief ports possessing highly-paid establishments, presided over by experienced officers, and so situated that reference on any point of doubt can be made readily. It is with the trade at out-ports that the difficulties and delays arise, and their force may be fairly measured by the number of such out-ports and the extent and number of transactions therein.

4. I am to observe, therefore, that when it is stated that His Excellency in Council is unable to admit that what can be effected in Bombay and Bengal, where the trade is far larger and the establishments relatively smaller, cannot be equally well and promptly done in Madras, all the essential features in the case must have been overlooked.

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	Trade.	Establishment.
	RS.	RS.
Bengal	68,00,000	12,180
Bombay	81,00,000	11,800
Madras	865,00,000	5,844
Average ..	338,00,000	9,941

5. The figures noted in the margin represent the out-port trade of the different Presidencies with the existing establishments for Trade Returns.

6. In paragraph 3 of your letter it is attempted to measure the time properly to be occupied in compilation of returns by the number of hours occupied by the port from the more distant ports. Such a mode of computation assumes the fact

that the establishments of the Madras ports are organised on such a scale as to admit the possibility of the returns from them being accepted without scrutiny and correction by the chief local authority of the district.

7. These establishments were never organised on the supposition of their being called upon to furnish returns in the manner now desired; and to the actual distance

8. In paragraph 8 of their Proceedings the Board state that the delays are in part attributable to difficulties occurring in the districts due to imperfect returns received from the underpaid and inadequate staff at the subordinate ports, and they ask to be permitted to propose a revision.

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	No. of Ports.	Estimate of Sea Customs Expenditure.	Rate of Expenditure per Port.
Bengal	5	6,74,000	1,34,800
Bombay	30	6,78,000	22,600
Madras	81	1,60,000	1,975

not the means of comparing accurately the
 ey at the out-ports with those entertained in
 Bengal and Bombay, I am to state that it
 is inferred by them, from the Budget-
 estimate figures marginally noted, that the
 disparity of the Madras establishment is
 such as practically to preclude the possi-
 bility of any proposal for placing them
 on the same footing for placing them
 the Supreme Government.

11. It having been represented that, unless the establishment in the office of the Board of Revenue now applied for be at once entertained, delays will be occasioned in the preparation of the monthly returns and in the retabulation of old returns for past years now necessary, orders have been issued for its entertainment in anticipation of sanction.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under-Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.—Tabular Statement of Increase to Establishment in this Department recommended for the sanction of Government of India.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.—Tabular Statement of Increase or Decrease in the		NATURE OF CHARGE.		PROPOSITION.		PROPOSED SCALE.		LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S RECOMMENDATION.		ORDERS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.		
Extract from Department of Government of India.	Office to which the Proposition refers.	PRESENT SCALE.		PROPOSED SCALE.		Permanent.	Temporary.		Grounds of Proposition.	Local Government's Recommendation.	Home Department.	
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(Signed) L. L. CAMPBELL
Under-Secretary to Government.

OOTACAMUND,
9th October 1875.

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Revenue
Office
Agriculture (1875) Department

Government of Fort St. George.

Dated 9th October 1875. } No. 1,180.
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FORWARDING, with remarks, copy of Revenue Board's Proceedings regarding the submission of the Trade Returns of the Madras Presidency, urging the absolute necessity of complying with the recommendation respecting the proposed increase to the existing establishment in the Board's Office for the compilation of Trade Statistics, and intimating that, for reason stated, orders have been issued for its entertainment in anticipation of sanction.

Revenue Department. Final Statement of Increase to Establishment in this Department necessitated by the sanction of Government of India.

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Estimated from the
Revenue Department
of India
Office to which the
Proposed change refers

Nature of Change

Present Scale

Proposed Scale

1 Accountant	150	1 Chief Accountant	150
1 do	70	1 Accountant	70
1 do	50	1 do	50
1 do	40	1 do	40
1 do	35	1 do	35
1 do	30	1 do	30
3 do at 25 Rs each	75	1 do	30
1 do	20	3 do at 30 Rs each	90
1 Musli	10	7 do at 25 Rs each	175
1 Peon	7	1 Musli	12
		1 attendant	10
		1 Peon	7

Total Rs. 487
o.p.g.a. 1875

4 clerks at 25 Rs each for 1875-76
Total Rs. 250
Grand Total Rs. 3864

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Proposed

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Under the Government of India of October 1875

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Under Secretary to Govt.

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Letter Secy. to the Secy. of India. Dep't. of Agric.

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With reference to the subject of your letter of the 31st Aug^r. 1875 No. 504 I am directed to forward copy of the ^{to} No. of the Board of Rev. dated 6 Sep^r. 1875. No ²⁴⁹⁸ ~~1113~~

It will be observed that the Board state that in order to meet the wishes of the Govt. of India it will be necessary to raise the cost of the establishment

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Supreme Govt -

The Board of Rev. will
however be instructed
to state what increase
is in their opinion
called for & it will
be for the Govt. of
India to determine
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Finance shall, in
view of the more exact
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