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2nd April 1875.*

No. 13. Read the following letter from H. GOODRICH, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Vizagapatam, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Vizagapatam, 20th March 1875, No. 148:—

I have the honor to ask for an interpretation of the Order of Government, No. 1,276, dated 14th July 1874.

2. In that order the reward for tigers killed in certain districts is raised to 100 Rupees, and those districts are mentioned as being "in addition to Vizagapatam where the special rate is already in force."

3. The increased rate actually in force here under the orders noted in the margin is a reward of Rupees 100 for every tiger killed in the Agency tracts (which includes Jeypore, one of the districts mentioned), while only 35 Rupees is the maximum rate for those killed in the plains.

G. O.,	6th Oct.	1862,	No. 1,645
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"	14th Oct.	1863,	" 1,646
"	23rd Aug.	1865,	" 1,171

4. It appears clearly from the Order of the 24th April 1874, Judicial Department, No. 754, referred to in No. 1,276 above quoted that the higher rate was applicable only to the Agency tracts.

5. As a matter of fact there are now few tigers in the plains; they infest the jungle near the foot of the ghauts, and often seek their prey in the plains, returning to the heavy forest. The notorious Pachipenta and Srungavarapukota man-eaters lived just on the borders killing men and cattle occasionally in the ordinary tracts.

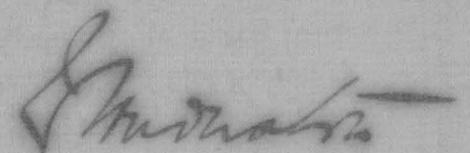
6. The Senior Assistant Magistrate brings to notice under the above circumstances that "it sometimes is difficult to decide whether a tiger has been killed in the Agency or not, and the decision makes a great difference in the reward the successful Shikarry gets. Three cases of tigers killed in doubtful ground have occurred within the last ten weeks in my division, in each case the animal having descended from the Agency jungles to kill cattle in the low country, returning afterwards to the hills."

7. I would, therefore, recommend that a reward not exceeding 100 Rupees be sanctioned for the whole district, the officer granting the reward exercising his discretion as to the necessity in each case of granting the maximum or a smaller sum.

No. 14. ORDER THEREON, 2nd April 1875, No. 756.

Sanctioned, as requested.

(True Extract.)



Chief Secretary.

To the Magistrate of Vizagapatam.
" Accountant-General.
" Revenue Department. ✓

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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THE MAGISTRATE OF VIZAGAPATAN.
&c., &c.

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G.O., 2nd April 1875, No. 753.

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2 To the Board of Revenue

Tigers.—Sanction accorded to the reward for killing tigers in the whole of the Vizagapatnam District being fixed at 100 Rupees, discretion being left to the disbursing officer to grant the maximum or a smaller sum.

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