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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

10th September 1877, No. 2,683.

Read the following papers:—

No. 152. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd September 1877, No. 4,072.

Read the following letter from R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 20th August 1877, No. 764.

In forwarding copy of a letter from Deputy Collector A. Ramachendra Row, dated 30th ultimo, No. 79, I have the honor to recommend, as therein requested, the retention of the special establishment allowed him for irrigation duties till 30th December next.

2. The continuance of the establishment during the period of distress seems to be absolutely necessary. I have, therefore, the honor to request that the Board will be pleased to sanction its retention.

Enclosure No. 1.

From A. RAMACHENDRA ROW, Deputy Collector of Nandial, to R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated Fagidial, 30th July 1877, No. 79.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your endorsement, No. 1,743, dated 28th ultimo, communicating G.O., No. 2,025, dated 18th idem, awarding sanction for the continuance of the special establishment on account of irrigation duties under me to the close of June last.

2. I solicit that, under the following circumstances, sanction for the retention of the said establishment till the 31st December next may be obtained:—

1. The present stage of the water-rate settlement. Owing to the entire failure of rains last year a large area of dry cultivation was supplied with canal-water under G.O., No. 1,329, dated 23rd September 1876. Demand Statements up to 31st December 1876 and since to the end of March 1877 were prepared by the Irrigation Company along with similar statements for wet and garden crops, and forwarded to this office for examination and audit. It was found from the nature of the accounts for dry crops, which I have fully described in paragraph 2 of my letter, No. 44,* dated 24th April last, that a careful examination, item by item, at the usual annual water-rate settlement of wet and garden crops, was necessary before any payment could be passed to the Company. The accounts of the Sirwell and Nandial Taluqs have been just settled in company with the Conservancy Engineers of the Lower and Upper Divisions, respectively. Those of Nandikotkur Taluq are about to be closed. The Ramallakota Taluq accounts will be gone into during the water-rate settlement of that taluq, which will be commenced at the beginning of next month. And I hope to complete their adjustment by the middle of that month. The work of after comparison, reference of disputed cases to yourself and the Chief Engineer, and the final settlement of the net demand, would occupy another month when the E Return will be ready for despatch.

*Recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 2,313, dated 19th May 1877, and G.O., No. 2,025, dated 18th June 1877.

Regarding the difficulties of the dry crop settlement, Mr. Wilks has entered into a full description in his last monthly report,† and I beg to quote extracts thereof:—

†Dated 3rd instant.

"Paragraph 3. As I had feared, the difficulties in regard to settlement of the water-rates have been very great owing to the peculiar arrangements made last year.

"It was thought that the dry crop flooded under the Government stipulation would be simply registered and settled off between the Government and the Company, but, in reality, although the

Curnam's accounts have nearly all been prepared within a week or two of the day fixed, they still dispute many of our entries, so it is as necessary to go into each case as it is with wet or garden crops, and we have been compelled to copy out the whole statement again in a more convenient form, other ... the time taken up on actual settlement work have been six months instead of weeks.

"Paragraph 4. * * *

"We have still to settle the dry crops of Nandial, the wet and dry crops of Nandikotkur and Rumalkota Talugs, about one-fifth of the work is done. The preparation of the accounts is now, however, in a forward state, and to-morrow (the 4th July) we commence again."

II. The second ground for the retention of the establishment is the increased work consequent on the present state of the season. It is evident that from the continuous failure of the rains and the prevalence of famine that the canal will be utilised to the utmost extent by the ryots, who had not till last year known its benefits in saving the dry crops. In my letters of the marginal dates I have entered into this question at some length, and recommended a temporary increase of village and taluq establishments to facilitate the receipt and record of applications of the ryots in villages commanded by the canal, and if that proposition is supported, it is essential for the check and audit of those accounts that the special establishment should be retained, at least during the continuance of the season of distress. I am here retained* in this district temporarily for famine duty in connection, I believe, with the irrigation, and taking that point of view, it seems essential that the special establishment should be retained until my duties continue.

1. To Collector, No. 64, dated 14th instant.
2. To " " 76, " 25th "

* *Fort St. George Gazette*, February 20th, 1877.

3. I take this opportunity of bringing to your notice that in incurring the charges of this special establishment from the commencement of this calendar year, I have effected, as shown in the margin, a saving of nearly Rs. 200 which will go to cover the charges of 4 out of the 6 months, for which I have now solicited sanction. I therefore beg you will be pleased to obtain the sanction for the retention of the special establishment and payment of my usual allowances on account of the special duty till the 31st December next.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Permanent pay of my Accountant, Special Department, as 1st-Class Revenue Inspector of Sirweli Taluq, from 1st January to 10th June 1877, at Rs. 30 per month ..	160	0	0
Refunded to Government pay of Clerk, Special Department, at Rs. 15 a-month, from 1st January to 9th March 1877, during which time I managed to get on with volunteers	34	5	8
Total ..	194	5	8

SUBMITTED for the favorable consideration of Government with reference to G.O., dated 18th June 1877, No. 2,025.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 153. ORDER THEREON, 10th September 1877, No. 2,686.

Irrigation, No. 3. SANCTIONED.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Department

No 1077.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 3rd September 1877

Read the following.

From

The Acting Collector

Kurnool

To

The Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Madras.

Sir

I forwarding copy of a

letter from Deputy Collector R.

Ramachandra Row dated 30th

Ultimo No 79. I have the honor to

recommend a Remission required of

the rebuction of the Special Establish-

ment allowed him for Irrigation

duties till 30th December next.

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SEPTEMBER.
Nos. 1052-1053.

G.O., 10th September 1877, No. 2,086.

Read

Forwarding [illegible]

Recommended

Remission required of the reduction of the Special Establishment allowed for Irrigation duties till 30th December next.

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Kurnool Collector's Office
20th August 1877.

I have &c.
(Sd) R. Ormsden
Acting Collector.

Submitted for the favorable consideration of Government with reference to G.O dated 18th June 1877 2025.

(True copy & Extract)

Ag. Secretary.

To
The Secretary to Govt: R.D.

Dear Sir with copy of enclosure

Kurnool Deputy Collector's Office
Cuddapah Circuit
No. 79 30th July 1877

From
The Deputy Collector
Nandial

To
The Acting Collector
Kurnool.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your endorsement No. 1743 dated 28th ultimo, communicating G.O. No. 2313 dated 18th Idem, awarding sanction for the continuance of the special Establishment on account of Irrigation duties until the close of June last.

2. I solicit that under the following circumstances

Revenue 1877 September
No. 3891.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 3rd September 1877
Rec'd 4th ——— do

Submitting G.O. Government dated 30th ult. the Collector's letter to the Collector of Kurnool, recommending the retention for Public Purposes of the Establishment employed on the Kunderu Anicut for irrigation of Ryl. Collector's Nandial dated 11th ult. Cuddapah dated 9th Idem and Kurnool dated 4th Idem.

circumstances, sanction for the retention of the said Establishment tile the 31st December next, may be obtained

3. I. The present stage of the water rate settlement – Owing to the entire failure of rains last year a large area of dry cultivation was supplied with Canal water under G.C. No. 1329 dated 23rd September 1876. Demand Statements up to 31st December 1876 and since to the end of March 1877 were prepared by the Irrigation Company, along with similar statements for wet and garden crops and forwarded to this Office for examination and audit

× Recorded in Board's Proceedings No. 2313 dated 19th May 1877 and G.C. No. 2075 dated 18th June 1877

audit. It was found from the leakers of the accounts for dry crops, which I have fully described in para 2 of my letter No. 46 dated 24th April last, that a careful examination item by item, at the usual annual water rate settlement of wet and garden crops was necessary before any payment could be passed to the Company. The accounts of the Sirsuli and Nandikolkur Talug have been put settled in Company with the Conservancy Engineers of the Lower & Upper Divisions respectively. Those of Nandikolkur Talug are almost the closed. The Ramallakota Talug

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× 1. To Collector's No. 66 dated 4th Instant
2. Do. No. 76 dated 25 Instant

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[x] Permanent Pay of my account as Special Department as 1st Class Puisne Inspector of Circuit Taking from 1st January to 10th June 1877 at Rs (30) per mensem Rs. A. P. 180 — —

Refunded to Government pay of 1 Special Department at Rs (15) per month from 1st January to 9th March 1877 — — during which time I managed to get on with Volunteers 34 — 5 — 8

Total 194 — 5 — 8

my usual allowances on account
of the special duty, till the 31st
December next.

Madras
(Signed) A. Ramachandra Row.
Deputy Collector.
(True Copy)
(Signed) R. Davidson
Acting Collector.
(True copy)

Calcutta
Ag. Secretary.

Enclosure in Board's
Proceedings of the
Secy. to Govt. R.D.
dated 3rd September 17
No 1072.

Rev 3897/77.

B 10-9-77 No. 2686.