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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

27th July 1878, No. 1,187.

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	Do. do. 31st Dec. ,, ...	1,077	3,329	1,070	401	645
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Ganjam	Nowpada	661	805 33	181 0	67 14 0	0 6 0	17 1 10	164 0 0	238 0 0	6 3 0	355 4 10
Vizagapatam	.....	...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Godavery	.....	...	... ...	... ...	36 6 0	0 6 0	20 13 3	... ...	188 6 0	... ...	208 13 3
Kistna	Nizampatam	13	306 33	81 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Nellore	.....	...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Chingleput	.....	...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
South Arcot	.....	...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Tanjore	Negapatam	133	173 0	85 20	32 1 0	0 6 0	455 9 0	77 3 3	540 0 0	85 8 11	695 0 0
Madura	Adirankarai	985	2,903 20	976 0	286 0 0	0 6 0	3 12 0	30 6 0	260 0 0	35 2 6	425 7 1
	Nadupad	169	420 30	94 0	35 4 0	0 6 0	116 15 3	40 6 11	46 14 5	13 15 0	220 0 2
	Idaikarai	134	819 10	232 20	139 11 0	0 10 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	54 4 11
	Kuthangali	23	73 20	45 0	17 4 0	0 6 0	77 0 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	77 0 0
Tinnevelly	.....	...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
South Canara	.....	...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Malabar	Calicut	5	853 34	203 0	152 4 0	0 12 0	14 11 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	14 11 6
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No. 375. ORDER THEREON, 27th July 1878, No. 1,187.

Separate Revenue, No. 38.
Salt.

HIS GRACE the Governor in Council observes that the results, as reported in the foregoing Proceedings, are not very favorable. The number of applications and the weight of fish cured have fallen off considerably, while the expenditure of salt and actual outlay have increased. The Government wish the experiment to have further trial. Anything which produces food should be encouraged, although results are small as yet. The quality of the article produced should be tested and reported upon.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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South Arcot	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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	Nadupad...	169	420 20	94 0	0 6 0	35 4 0	116 15 3	30 0 0	36 14 5	26 2 6	220 0 2
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South Canara	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with ten original reports and their enclosures to
" all Collectors of Salt Districts. be returned, and statement.

Exd. A. Grubert.

Revenue Dept. No. 2894. 1878.

Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 29TH MAY 1878, No. 1,432.

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MAY.
No. 1,432.

Supply of Salt at a reduced price for fish-curing operations during half-year ending 31st December 1877. — Submitting to Government papers relating to —, and recommending the continuance of the experiment.

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Revenue Department.

Memo. for orders

Board's Pro dated 29th May 1878 no. 1432. reporting on the fish-curing operations for the half year ending 31st December 1877.

The following figures shew the results of the fish curing operations during the half year ending 31st December 1877 as compared with those of the preceding half year.

	Half year ending 30th June 1877	Half year ending 31st Dec 1877
Number of applications	3011 —	2025
Weight of fish brought to be cured Mds	7094 —	6370
Weight of Salt issued Mds.	1888 —	1890
Value of Salt sold at the reduced rate Rs.	758 —	840
Expenditure incurred by Government Rs.	1757 —	2051

On the whole the Board

Consider the results satisfactory and recommend the Continuance of the Experiment.

There is one item which calls for particular attention – viz Expenditure incurred by Government on account of the operations, the particulars of which are given below.

1 Buildings	——	704–13–4
2 Establishment	——	251–8–1
3 Police	——	962–14–5
4 Contingencies	——	131–13–5
Total		2051–1–3

It will be observed from the Correspondence recorded in ¶ 20 28th June 1878 No. 984 R.D. that the system in force in the Bengal Presidency differs from that adopted here, in that there the

"Contractors supply the salt, find the funds to pay the preventive Establishment, erect the Godowns for the Salt, the barrack for the peons, the sheds for the Salters, and the fences around the enclosure, and also pay for the lighting of the barrack and the cleaning of the place."

Thus the bonded enclosure Costs Government nothing except the drawback on the salt which is Rupees 2–12 per Maund. It Costs there Rs 1–10–9 in all, including the transport to the Godown, and they retail it to the Salters at Rs 2–10–9 a maund, thus making a profit of about Rupee 1 per Maund.

The rates at which salt is issued in this Presidency for fish curing operations are shown

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To be the Statement sent in the Board's Proc for disposal.

before.

		Rate
Ganjam —	Station Nowhada	Rs. 6
Kistna —	Negampatam	6
Tanjore —	Negapatam	6
Madura	Athenkarai —	6
	Nadupad —	6
Tinnevelly	Idiththarai —	10
	Kuttangulé —	6
Malabar —	Calicut —	12.

The rates are a little over the Cost of manufacture, and the Government lose nearly the whole of the drawback, and incur additional expenditure as shewn above.

Can the manufacture continue as usual?

The Bengal arrangement can only be carried out where there is a responsible contractor. Our transactions have here to fore been with individual fishermen. It may be possible

1187/6 When the system is better understood to find contractors who will undertake the work. The attention of the Board is invited to the Salt Revenue which he draws from the Bengal practice.

GMC

The system in the different states mentioned in the carriers Strength. Here Govt. supply all salt to the markets except under Excise. In Bengal their is a fixed cost of Govt. in the Sunderbunds of Rs. 2-12. which Rs. of salt weighs. & from 2½ Maunds to 3 Maunds) this = Rs. 7075 or 5½ the duties covering this cost are charged.

I am at present unable to form any opinion as to what the Bengal rate for salt is at the present moment. But I feel confident that no minister of it is nothing like the Bengal rate & from adding the actual cost of the Govt. for the salt

Revenue

to the article, I do not think it would be safe to fix the duty at more than 2 Rupees per Maund. This is as much as the Consumer can afford to pay. The Bengal rate is 2 Rupees 8 annas. The Madras rate is 2 Rupees. I am of opinion that the Bengal practice can be followed with advantage. I would fix the duty at 2 Rupees per Maund. This is as much as the Consumer can afford to pay. The Bengal rate is 2 Rupees 8 annas. The Madras rate is 2 Rupees. I am of opinion that the Bengal practice can be followed with advantage.

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Minute for orders

Result of stirk curing [illegible]
[illegible] for the half year
ending 31st December 1877

and actual outturn increased. Last Year the Experiments for this trial. I think the quality of the article purchased did not justify

L.R.

I would suggest that
Experiments be made
for third the Quantity
to get a fair

C 13-7-78
R 18-7-78
M 21-7-78
R 27-7-78

Revenue Department

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14 Feb. Board of Agriculture Dept.

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