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3rd October 1878, No. 1,603.

Read the following paper :—

No. 22. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th August 1878, No. 2,386.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 26th July 1878, No. 1,178, Revenue Department :—

ABSTRACT.—*Tank-bed Cultivation.*—Passing orders on papers relating to the treatment of —.

COMMUNICATED to all Collectors, except Malabar, South Canara, and Madras, and the Commissioner of the Nilgiris.

2. In the foregoing order instructions are issued as to the future treatment of tank-bed cultivation. Tank beds are to be divided into two classes—shallow rain-fed tanks and river or channel-fed tanks; cultivation of the beds of the former is not to be interfered with, by which direction the Board understand Government to mean that no steps are to be taken to compel present occupants to relinquish land within the water-spread held on putta; it is presumed that unauthorized extensions, where objectionable, may be dealt with by imposition of penal rates, the land being poramboke; cultivation of the beds of tanks of the latter description, except where certified by the department in charge of the irrigation to be unobjectionable, is prohibited. As regards the charge for tank-bed cultivation, where permitted, a special dry rate is to be fixed. The Board gather that these orders are to be applied for the present only in districts* already settled and those† in which a revised settlement is in progress, matters being left *in statu quo* in unsettled districts until revision of the settlement.

* Godavari, Kistna, Nellore, Kurnool, Chingleput, Trichinopoly, Tinnevelly, and Salem.

† Ganjam, Cuddapah, North Arcot, and Coimbatore.

3. The steps to be taken in pursuance of these instructions are—

1*st*,—to classify the tanks in the districts above specified and determine the measures necessary for the acquisition of the area to be carried to the head of poramboke,

2*nd*,—to assess a special dry rate on the cultivation which is not to be interfered with,

3*rd*,—to ascertain and report how far settlements already completed will require revision, the amount involved by change of classification, and the extent relinquished under the system heretofore in force.

4. The Director of Revenue Settlement probably has on record much of the information required and can readily obtain from his subordinates and the Collectors concerned what is wanting; he is, therefore, requested to institute the necessary enquiries and report on the whole subject in due course.

(A true Extract.)

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

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, 3rd October 1878, No. 1,603.

Land Revenue, No. 2.

THE instructions issued by the Board are approved.

(True Extract)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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