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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

19th October 1878, No. 1,693.

Read the following paper :—

No. 910. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th June 1878, No. 1,580.

Read the following letter from C. S. CROLE, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 27th May 1878, No. 213 :—

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2. With regard to the former, I beg to enclose a statement showing the extent of the Dasabandam Inams under the Cumbum tank and the conditions on which they are held.

3. There are nine of those Inams in all (generally wet lands) with an aggregate extent of 61·96 acres* and assessment of Rupees 744-10-1.* One is for the "construction and repair" of the Sekrel anicut and the rest for the "excavation and repair" of one or other of the main and minor distribution channels under the tank. The Head Assistant Collector reports that "the channels are in anything but a good condition. Their appearance would lead one to suppose that the Inamdars had never done anything towards repairing them. The beds of all the channels are silted up and the banks are broken wherever it is possible for them to be broken. Some are worse than others, but they are all bad."

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From C. W. FAWCETT, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector, to C. S. CROLE, Esq., Acting Collector of Karnool, dated Gumbum, 4th May 1878, No. 715.

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2. *Title Deeds under Inams.*—There are in all nine of these Inams, all wet lands, with an aggregate extent of Acres 71·63 and assessment of Rupees 767-15-6. One is for the "construction and repair" of the Sakrel anicut, three for the "excavation and repair" of the first 70 yards and two other portions of the Gumbum Gumbum channel, one for the "excavation and repair" of the first 1,760 feet of the Rotna channel, and the remaining four for the "excavation and repair" of minor channels. Leaving out of consideration the Sakrel anicut which has been breached under the orders of Government, the total assessment of the lands, the irrigation of which is dependent on the channels being kept in good condition, the terms on which the Inams were granted is Rupees 24,363-5-2. The channels are in anything but a good condition. Their appearance would lead one to suppose that the Inamdars had never done anything towards repairing them. The beds of all the channels are silted up, and the banks are broken, whereever it is possible for them to be broken. Some are worse than others, but they are all bad. One of the Inams, that for the "construction and repair" of the "Mailapati" channel, is under sequestration in consequence of some repairs having been carried out by the Public Works Department last year. It still requires a large amount of repairs which the Dasbandarndar pretends himself unable to carry out. An estimate, amounting to Rupees 6,700, has been prepared by the Public Works Department.

On the whole I do not think that any of the Gumbum Dasbandarndars, except one Jalapati Venkatapati, deserve any consideration. The Inams were continued to them on condition of keeping the channels or parts of the channels in good order; they have not done so; the Inams are liable to resumption in consequence of this, and considering the large amount of revenue involved and the impossibility of securing it in any other way, I think they ought to be resumed at once, the repairs to the channels being undertaken by Government. I have excepted Jalapati Venkatapati from this, because though he has not kept in repair the "Motukulva" for which according to his title-deed, he holds the Inam, yet he has done something towards it, and has moreover done that which not only he but the people of this village and the Revenue Inspector and Tahsildar believed to be the condition of his holding the Inam, *i.e.*, the repair of what is called the "Motukalva Gundi," a mud mound ten yards long, forming part of the northern bank of the channel, where it is crossed by the "Upparvagai," and requires considerable strengthening. This Gundi he has kept in tolerable repair, and as he has endeavored to fulfil the conditions of the grant though he has not done so, I think he is entitled to compensation. I would suggest Rupees 181-13-7, calculated at Rupees 45 per acre, the average market price of similar wet lands in the village.

The Sakrel anicut was in good repair till it was breached under the orders of Government. There was thus no breach of the conditions of the grant in this case, but as it would be absurd to continue the Inam to the Dasbandarndar on the condition of his performing a service which is opposed to the orders of Government, I would suggest either that the Inam be continued to him free of all service, a new title-deed being issued, or else that it be resumed, and compensation paid to the amount of Rupees 2,182, calculated at Rupees 100 per acre, the average market price of similar wet lands in the village.

There would thus be two Inams for which compensation, amounting to Rupees 2,313-13-7, might be paid. All the remaining Inams ought, in my opinion, to be resumed at once without any payment.

3. As to the proposal to abolish the Gumbum Tank Nirgantics and substitute a Public Works Department conservancy establishment, such a change would, in my opinion, be a great improvement. The present system works anything but well chiefly from want of proper supervision, though it costs Rupees 245 a-month, or Rupees 2,940 a-year. Major Hasted proposes to secure competent supervision and prevent wastage of water, which the present arrangement does not do at a cost of Rupees 74 a-month, or, Rupees 888 a-year. I would recommend the change strongly. The present establishment of Nirgantics is so strong that they have individually very little work, and the great aim of each Nirganti is to get as much water as possible for his own village. Their overseers too either do not control them, or do the same thing themselves, and the result is constant complaints from the ryots. The supervisor on Rupees 30 proposed by Major Hasted would be a superior class of man to these overseers, and would have no interest in any of the villages in particular. He would moreover be more under the eye of those above him than are the present Nirgunti Overseers.

4. Enclosed are seven of the nine title-deeds—the other two are said to be lost—and the papers received from your office.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) C. S. CROLE,
Acting Collector.

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STATEMENT showing the extent of the Dasabandam Inams under the Gumbum Tank and the conditions under which they are held.

Consecutive Numbers.	Name of Dasabandam Inamdars.	No. of Title-deed.	Extent. Dry.	Extent. Wet.	Assessment.	For what purpose given.
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4	Allanki Subrayadu *alias* Venkatasubbadu	1,925	...	1 0 0	44 2 6	Construction and repair of Tegakuva.
5	Allanki Subrayadu *alias* Venkatasubbadu	2,147	...	4 0 1	82 11 6	Excavation and repair of Rotna channel.
6	Alwala Subrayadu *alias* Venkatasubbadu	1,961	2 71	19 68	349 10 9	Construction and repair of Gundlamanakuva and annicut.
7	Buddira Venkata Row	1,987	2 32	4 87	61 9 6	Construction and repair of Kotakuva.
8	Forest Lop and Rava Ramaya ...	2,415	...	3 68	18 10 5	Construction and repair of Sluices and inlet.
9	Alwala Subba Row and Syad Shaw Mahomed Hussain.	2,911	...	3 53	72 6 4½	Construction and repair of Pedakuva.
		2,913		2 13	36 10 3½	
	Jalapati Venkatappah	2,701		2 50	44 1 7	Excavation and repair of Motukalva.
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REVENUE,
27th May 1878.

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Acting Collector.

SECRETARY to Government with reference to G.O., dated 18th August 1876, No. 1,494, Financial Department, communicated with G.O., dated 23rd August 1876, No. 1,150, Revenue Department, and to G.O., dated 31st October 1876, No. 2,522, Revenue Department,

2. As regards the treatment of the Dasabandam Inams under the Cumbum tank, the Board concur with the Collector and recommend that they be resumed with the exception of the two particularized which should be enfranchised. As regards conservancy arrangements the entertainment of a suitable establishment under the Public Works Department would probably be advantageous, but the Board do not consider that proposed by Major Hastel sufficient. The present staff consists of forty-two Nirkattiés, one Superintendent, and two Water Overseers at a cost of Rupees 94*b* per measem; the full sanctioned number of Nirkattiés is forty-eight—*vide* G.O., dated 31st March 1876, No. 453; the present cost should more than cover the cost of an efficient conservancy establishment.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

No. 211. OFFICE MEMORANDUM, 19th October 1878, No. 1,693.

Miscellaneous.

18th August 1876, No. 1,494, F.D.
23rd August 1876, No. 1,150, R.D.
31st October 1876, No. 2,522, R.D.

With reference to the marginally-noted orders of Government, the Board support the Collector's proposal that all the Dasabandam Inams under the Cumbum Tank should be resumed with the exception of the two held for the construction and repair of the Sekral Anicut and the Monakaya, which it is proposed to enfranchise on favorable terms.

2. The Government observe that the last-named Dasabandarudar has failed to fulfil his obligations fully and that a bund no longer exists in the Kuswa Channel to be kept in order. They accordingly direct the resumption of all the Dasabandam Inams without exception. The land will of course remain in the possession of the Inamdars free of all obligation other than payment of full assessment which will be credited to the Village Service Fund (General) and placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department for the performance of the work for which the Inams were granted originally. The Collector will arrange for this being done.

3. The second question relates to the conservancy arrangements to be made in connection with the tank irrigation. The Board consider that the cost of the present staff, viz., Rs. 235 per mensem, should be ample to meet the cost of an efficient conservancy establishment under the superintendence of the Public Works Department. They appear to favor the Collector's proposal to abolish the existing Nirgantis and to substitute a distinct set of peons under a Public Works Department superintendent to perform similar duties. The Governor in Council cannot consent to such an arrangement. The Village Service Fund cannot be alienated from the employment of a State service, and there is no reason why the establishment of Nirgantis paid from village funds should not be made effective, such additions being made if really found necessary so far as funds are available. No other class of servants will so well understand the distribution of water according to customary usages. The Collector and District Engineer should together settle what the strength should be, and then the control should vest in the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
The Public Works Department.
Dupl. J. W. Kasser.

No. 1,580.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th June 1878.

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Kurnool,
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(True Copies and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Collector of Kurnool.

Encl. A. Grubert.

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PROCEEDINGS, 13TH JUNE 1878, No. 1,380.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 4th May 1878, No. 1,380.

Encl.

Submitted to Government.

Read the following letter from the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 13th June 1878, No. 1,380.

JUNE.

No. 1,380.

Resolution—under the Cumbum tank in Kurnool District—Submitting to Government report from Collector in regard to the resumption of the—and the sanctioning of a conservancy establishment under the control of the Public Works Department for the present establishment of Nirkatties.

The application to the Annual Meeting on 1st May 1877, after personal inspection, of the Ground in regard to the Annual Report for February

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*Vide June 8 of Collector's Letter received in the current year for disposal

Establishment, etc. during 1876

Establishment for Watering Roads for the Maidan

Overseer

42 Sergeants at Rs 5 each — 210

1 Cooly at Rs 15 — 15

2 Water Carriers at Rs 10 each — 20

Total monthly — 245

Annual Do — 2940

The sanctioned establishment was appointed to be employed with reference to the correspondence under 1876 to 1971. The number of Sergeants in receipt of pay to that order was 34, and 8 Sergeants and 3 Water Overseers on Rs 12 each were then sanctioned. Vacancy of the 3 Overseers on Rs 12 each, one Sergeant on Rs 10 and two Overseers on Rs 10 each were sanctioned. Vide 3rd Proceedings of the Committee dated 31st March 1876 to 468 and the Corrs. appointed were thereon recommended

*Vide Proceedings of the Collector's Office and Minutes of the Board's Proceedings

recorded show that the cost of the above establishment is met from the village service fund in which is comprised the interest on the invested surplus cess; the quit-rent on enfranchised Nirganti inams and the full assessment of the resumed and relinquished service inams minus the old jodi. There does not appear to be a separate fund in existence. The interest on invested cess-surplus should necessarily belong to the village service fund and the establishment in question does not appear to be paid solely from such interest.

[illegible]

+ estimated at the [illegible]

I never supposed there was but there are separate items of income - one being the cess proceeds &c. by law must be spent there[?] raised. While the other items can be more generally applied to Vill: service throughout the District. The Nirganti establt. performs Vill: service for a number of Vills: irrigated from the Cumbum tank. but are certainly[?] extra + portion of the old Vill: estabt. proper [to] one particular village. Probably each Vill: had a staff [of] its own individual Nirganties.

I see no reason why the general estabt. should not be paid from the general portion of the fund as it appears to be at present. & that addn. may be made to it as far as necessary, or as far as funds are available.

The proceeds of the enfranchised Dasbandam Inams can be utilized for all such purposes as are analogous to the orig. purpose for wh. the Inams were granted.

[illegible]

Probably absorbed in the new estabt.

[illegible] 2/4

E. [illegible]

Vide Cor Cedulinis hide recorded
ante GO 11 Eliz 1577 fos 194.

* Recorded Patent Roll 23 in
GO 2816 of 25 Feb 1970 and the Letter
in GO 3529 of 15 Dec 1976

and further observed "the sell(?) ... has been repeatedly referred to in correspondence during the last year and it is somewhat startling to find it stated that there is no ... &c." Upon this, the Govt directed the removal of the ring bund which had been placed in front of the cut through the embankment, and the provision of an ample free passage for water at all times.

With reference to His Grace's enquiry on the last page of the Minute "What are the facts as to the point noted" by the Hon'ble Mr Huddleston, alluding to that gentleman's observations as regards the existing ... Establishment

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other channels are stated to be in a very bad state of repair.

5. The Collector recommends and the Board agree with him that the two Inams above specified be enfranchised and the rest be resumed. Under Board's Standing Order 158, the "dasabandam grants" should continue undisturbed so long as the terms on which they were originally granted are fulfilled, but in cases of neglect or failure, either past or future, they should be permanently resumed, and the repairs of the works should be entrusted to the Department Public Works".

6. Rule III. 2 of the Inam Rules attached to Standing Order No. 171, provides as follows.

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both in good condition. Their appearance
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tolerably uniform all is passable
for boats at the bridges. Sluices
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are all in good order.

5. Besides these, enumerated, there
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in good repair.

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Is 1/6 per Ton

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The Distance by Water from
Ely to Wisbech is 36 Miles
by the Course of the River
Ouse and Counter Drain
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July 1876, differed somewhat from the above for he said that the superior officers of the Revenue Department were supposed to look after this establishment and he did not consider this plan likely to be effective. He suggested that a conservancy establishment should be provided for in the Irrigation Budget, observing that "the tank is one of that description that requires the distributing channels as well as the tank bund and sluices to be in charge of the professional Department".

11. The establishment which he proposed was to consist of

1 Superintendent on Rs 30 a month
4 Lascars — on Rs 6 each —
4 " — " 5 —

Total monthly Rs 74 - Annually Rs 888.*

The Revenue from the tank being Rs 5877 the cost of such an

class of servant to the rate-payers — in fact none other understand the distribution of water according to customary usages.

G.O. 25 October 1876 No 2846 P.W.D.

This will be met from the special fund or nearly so & this fund applies the main irrigation fund.

* Not Rs 804 as stated in the correspondence recorded in P.W. G.O. of 25th Octr 1876.

C.N. 2770 of 1878

Revenue Department

Memo. for orders.

Board's Proceedings dated 12th June 1878 No. 1580 regarding the Dasabandam Inams under the Cumbum Tank in Kurnool District.

G.O 18th August 1876 No. 1494 F.D.
G.O 23rd August 1876 No. 1150 R.D.
G.O. 31st Octr 1876 No. 2522 R.D.

1. In passing orders on the question of the removal of certain dams across the distribution channels of Cumbum tank, the Government desired in August 1876 to receive a special report on the whole of the Dasabandam Inams connected with the Cumbum irrigation.

2. The current paper is in answer to these orders, and to paragraph 13 of the memo recorded in G.O. 25th October 1876 No. 2846 P.W.D.

obtained the question of the
Conservancy Estate between
the Corporation Trust Chancery
was brought forward.

2nd. As regards the 1st question,
it would appear that there are
altogether 9 Leasehold Houses
which expired Aug 24. 96 according
to the 144-10-1. Of these, one
is for the "construction and repair"
of the Sukkot Derrick and the rest
for the "excavation and repair"
of the distributors charged under
the Derrick.

Of the Sukkot Derrick has been
discarded under the orders of
Committee and the Manager
does not require any repairs
hereafter. The Leaseholders
of "Norfolk" Dock Stairs
freehold the Corporation of the
Trinity House Estate.

The

Also 2 Sukkot Derricks
2 of Colchester
not accounted for
the Lease G.O.

Stairs Leaseholders

Statement showing Rents
received from Leasehold
Houses on Stairs
Lease 22.35 years expired
Aug 22-97-10-7

Leases 2.50 years expired
at Michs 34-97

Portugal Dock Re-
ceipts Entered
Rec'd not received

x 2 Coppinger at Prescott — 210
1 Fitzpatrick Richard — 15
2 Baker Brewers Rd 10 each — 20
Total monthly — 245
12
Amount £2940

Note. If no sufficient received under
what authority the exchanged Estab-
lishment had been established.

Brewers & Public
Rec'd. paid for the
Year.

and establishment would refer-
ence if so and on the Premises
the officers generally employed
Wardens Foreman, the Clerk
Engineer, for the period above
that is 2500 to 3000. Is necessary
on the average expected to be
on the Docks and otherwise
are orders to keep them on foot
orders."

12. The Committee recommend
that the Messrs Peard and Co
of the Secretary. Superintendent
the Architecture of a Caretaker
Quarry Staff under the Master
Warden and Secretary of the P.
H. Depot, Deptford under the
Establishment Superintendent
by whom Wanted under Engineer.
The Architect and the Secretary
to establish and the Secretary
in the Estimates and as soon as
are done to be put on foot
Orders.

The Committee recommend
that Leases should be granted

proposed by Major Hasted, and thinks that even then they will have enough work to do.

13 The Board consider that the "entertainment of a suitable "establishment under the Public "Works Department would pro-"bably be advantageous," but think that proposed by Major Hasted insufficient. The present expenditure they observe, would more than cover the cost of an efficient conservancy establishment.

The present cost is Rs 2940.
Double that proposed by Major Hasted } Rs 1770.

14. As the irrigated area extends over 15 villages, the most distant of which is nearly 8 miles from the tank and as the three main distribution channels are stated to be nearly 4 miles in length while the minor distribution channels are innumerable it

Paras 8 and 9 of the Collector's letter.

I merely approve revision & to be worked under the D.P.W. supervision establishment as above suggested. It is of the utmost importance that we keep up the connection between the villagers & their village establishment & their irrigation works.

I would order revision of the body on the principle that I have ventured to suggest.
24/8 [signature]

I think the exemption of the Distribution channels be carried out, the duty being transferred to the D.P.W. & the landowners relieved from it. The villagers can be [illegible] as required at the disposal of P.W.D. for the purposes. I would observe incidentally that the system of
[signature]

it may be necessary to reconsider the strength of conservancy establishment of both [illegible] the transfer to D.P.W. supervision but in that case the question would be dealt with in the Irrigation Department.

15. The establishment now in existence is paid out of Village Service Funds. Is it practicable to transfer such funds to an establishment which will cease to be village in character and will be in fact portion of the Imperial Department?

[signature]

These [illegible] is [illegible] to the theory of the [illegible] being [illegible] liable to perform at their own cost duties of the nature contemplated by their creation.

Treasury Department.
No. 1893

Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners
held at the City of Washington
on the 19th Oct. 1793

Present the following
Commissioners
Viz. The Secretary of State
Secretary of the Treasury
and the Surveyor

18th August 1793 Lot 195 & 96
28 " " " 1520
31 October " " 2522

Resolved unanimously that
the Commissioners proceed
to dispose of the Lots
in the City of Washington
under the Commissioners Deeds
should be reserved with the
exception of the two Lots for
the Executive and reserve
of the Capitol Square and the
Lots which are vested in the
United States by the Deed of Cession
of the Territory

Ordered that the Secretary
of State & Secretary of the Treasury
be appointed a Committee
to prepare a Deed for the
Lots in the City of Washington
to be executed by the Commissioners
in pursuance of the Resolution
of this day

Ordered that the Surveyor
be directed to lay off
the Lots in the City of Washington
in pursuance of the Resolution
of this day

that the Local Committee
& Landowners has failed to
perform his obligations fully
and that a Landowner
exists in the District Council
to be appointed. They
accordingly direct the Se-
-cretary of all the Boards
& Landowners within the
exception. They Lend with
Correct Memorandum of
the Provisions
of the Drainage Act of all
obligations other than payment
of full assessment which
will be entered to the village
Secretary Fund Steward and
placed at the disposal of
the Board for the performance
of the work for which the
Grants were granted originally
The Collector will arrange for
this being done.

3. The second question relates
to the Conservancy arrange-
-ments to be made in connection
with the Lands Drainage
The Board consider that the
Cost

Cost of the present staff
viz. Rs 245 per annum should
be sufficient to meet the cost
of any efficient conservancy
establishment under the
supervision of the Dist. Deputy
They appear to favour the
Collector's proposal to abolish
the existing Chairmanship and
to substitute a District staff
of Peons under an A.D.C.
Deputy with instructions to perform
similar duties. The Governor
in Council cannot consent
to such an arrangement
There is no reason why the
establishment should from
village funds should not
be made effective, such
additions being made if
really found necessary as
for as funds are available
& no other class of demands
case so well can declare
the distribution of water
according to cultivation
the Collector and District Engineer

Rs 245 per annum
Cannot be charged to
the employ of a Lady
Clerk

should together with the
strength should be
and then the control should
need in the Future.

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