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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

20th November 1878, No. 1,866.

Read the following paper:—

No. 246.—Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th October 1878, Miscellaneous No. 10,961.

Read the following letter from W. H. COMYN, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Beltangady, 14th October 1878, No. 1,889:—

In their Order dated 20th April 1875, No. 626, the Government sanctioned certain charges for the temporary entertainment of a few hands required by Mr. Webster to assist him in holding enquiry into claims to forests selected* for demarcation by the Forest Department.

* G.O., dated 20th February 1875, No. 271.

2. Among them was an extra clerk for office work connected with this enquiry. At the time of Mr. Webster's recommendation the investigation had yet to begin, and although Mr. Webster anticipated that the work would necessarily be "arduous," he could form no definite idea of its extent until it was actually taken in hand.

3. I learn that Mr. Webster subsequently found it necessary to allow extra aid to the Forest Clerk, and since I took up the enquiry I have been obliged to give him from time to time the assistance of two clerks from my ordinary office establishment. The establishment being already overworked, I have found it necessary to withdraw this aid; additional hands are therefore required.

4. The fact is that the Tahsildars and myself have to work almost simultaneously, *i.e.*, during the fair season of the year, and their numerous and voluminous reports and records of preliminary enquiry do not often reach me until I am about to visit the locality to be inspected. There is not, therefore, sufficient time for a single clerk to gather from the reports the necessary information touching the forests to be inspected and the claims to be investigated. Again, when a claim has been inquired into, and the necessary information collected on the spot for decision, a great deal of work has to be gone through by the clerk before the materials collected can be properly arranged and brought to me for disposal. This work alone occupies him for days together in each case. Considerable inconvenience and delay are therefore experienced in the disposal of cases.

5. The Board will have learnt from my letter dated 9th September, No. 1,715, that there now remain for disposal 1,584 jungles against 1,286 disposed of, and 542 registered claims, which are likely to increase as the Collector visits each locality.

6. The quantity of work which hundreds of these claim cases involve and the heaviness of the Forest Clerk's duties may be best imagined from the details roughly given in the enclosed memorandum. As stated above, I was obliged to discontinue the temporary assistance given to him, and the consequence is that the Forest Clerk is overworked and the arrears have increased. The only way of getting over the difficulty is to appoint two temporary clerks, one on Rs. 25 and the other on Rs. 15, and an attender on Rs. 7 per mensem for such period as the forest enquiry may continue. The services of intelligent and efficient hands being required, I should have been disposed to give them higher salaries if possible, but in view of the already large demands involved on the forest revenue by this enquiry, I shall be content with the figures named and endeavour to secure the best hands procurable.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT, 20TH [illegible] No. 1,866.

7. I am satisfied, from personal observation of the work performed by the Forest Clerk, that such assistance is absolutely necessary to enable him to cope with the mass of work that this enquiry has newly created in my office. I have the honor, therefore, to solicit that the sanction of Government may be obtained for my entertaining the above temporary hands at a monthly cost of Rs. 47.

8. In their Order dated 14th July 1875, No. 1,954, the Board directed that the cost of the temporary establishment sanctioned by Government should be debited to "Forests." Accordingly provision has since been made in every year's budget to meet this charge. The current year's sanctioned grant is Rs. 3,000, though the whole number of hands in respect of whom the provision was made has not been entertained, and is not likely to be entertained during the remaining months of the year. The savings in this grant will therefore be available to meet the cost of the additional hands proposed above.

				Rs.	A.	P.
Amount allotted in the current year's budget				3,000	0	0
	Rs.	A.	P.			
Expenditure up to September 1878	615	0	0			
Collector's Temporary Forest Clerk for the remaining six months of the year	570	0	0			
Cost of selection work for six months	405	0	0			
				1,590	0	0
Probable savings in the grant				1,410	0	0
Cost of the two additional Clerks proposed for five months (from November 1878 to March 1879), including batta	425	0	0			
One Attender on Rs. 7 per mensem for five months, including batta	63	2	0			
				488	2	0
Net savings to Government				921	14	0

N.B.—The "batta" in the above calculation is not "fixed," but payable only in case the several servants travel.

9. I beg to enclose the usual tabular statement, and as I am about to start on a tour of forest enquiry which will probably keep me engaged during the whole of the next fair season, and the above extra assistance for my office is urgently required, I have the honor to request that the necessary sanction may be obtained from Government and communicated to me at as early a date as practicable.

SUBMITTED for the favorable consideration of Government.

2. The Collector shows that the charge can be met from the provision in the Forest Budget.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 247. ORDER THEREON, 20th November 1878, No. 1,866.

Forests, No. 16.

THE entertainment of two temporary clerks and an attender at a total monthly cost of Rs. 47 is sanctioned, provided that the assistance required by the Collector's establishment cannot be rendered by the office establishment of the Deputy Conservator of South Canara.

2. The Collector will consider this matter with reference to the letter from the Conservator of Forests, dated 4th June last, No. 419, referred to him for report, and will, if possible, arrange with Colonel Beddome for the temporary transfer of such hands as can be spared from the District Forest Office.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Conservator of Forests,
„ the Accountant-General.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

Encl. to Letter (1878) Madras.
REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated November 28th.

Received 2nd.

Read.

G.O., 28th November 1878, No. 1,808.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 246-247.

Enquiry into claims to Forests in South Canara.—Sanctioning the entertainment of two temporary clerks and an attender at a total monthly cost of Rs. 47 to assist in the enquiry, provided that the assistance required by the Collector's establishment cannot be rendered by the office establishment of the Deputy Conservator of South Canara.

REVENUE (~~Railways~~) DEPARTMENT.

No. 4752

1878.

From Board of Revenue

Dated 28th October 1878.

FOR ORDERS.

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Read 26th Sept 1878

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FOR ORDERS.

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Mis. No. 1096

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 23rd October 1878

No. 1889. Read the following

From

W. H. Conyn Esquire

Collector of South Canara

To

C. A. Galton Esquire

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Madras.

Sir,

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G.O dated 20th February 1875 No 271.

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3. I learn that Mr Webster subsequently found it necessary to allow extra aid to the Forest Clerk: and since I took up the engniry, I have been obliged to give him from time to time the assistance of 2 Clerks from my ordinary office Establishment. The Establishment being already overworked, I have found it necessary to withdraw this aid; additional hands are therefore required.

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5. The Board will have learnt from my letter dated 9th September No 1715, that there now remain for disposal 1,684 jungles against 1,286 disposed of; and 542 registered Claims which are likely to increase as the Collectors visits each Locality.

6. The quantity of work which hundreds of these claim cases involve and the heaviness of the Forest Clerks duties may be best imagined from the details roughly given in the enclosed Memo. As stated above I was obliged to discontinue the temporary assistance given to him and the consequence is that the Forest Clerk is

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7. I am satisfied from personal observation of the work performed by the Forest Clerk that such assistance is absolutely necessary to enable him to cope with the mass of work that this enquiry has newly created in my office. I have the honor, therefore, to solicit that the sanction of Government may be obtained for my entertaining the above temporary hands at a monthly cost of Rupees 67.

8. In their order dated 14th July 1875 No. 1964 the Board directed that the cost of the temporary Establishment sanctioned by Government should be debited to "Forests". Accordingly provision has since been made in every year's Budget to meet this charge. The current years sanctioned grant is Rs 3000 - though the whole number of hands in respect of whom the provision was made has not been entertained, and is not likely to be entertained during the remaining months of the year. The savings in this grant will therefore be available to meet the cost of the additional hands proposed above.

	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Amount allotted in the Current years Budget	3000--	
Expenditure up to Sept 78.	615--	
Collector's Temporary Forest Clerk for the remaining 6 months of the years	570--	
Cost of Selection work for six months	405--	
	1590--	
Probable savings in the Grant	1410--	
Cost of the 2 additional Clerks proposed for five months (from Nov 78 to March 1879) including batta	425--	
One Attender on Rs 7 per mensem for five months including batta	63-2--	
	488-2-	
Net savings to Govt	921-14-	

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South Canara Collectors Office, On Circuit, Beltangady. 14th October 1878.

I have &c
(Signed) W. H. Campn
Collector.

Submitted for the favorable Consideration of Government.

2. The Collector shows that the charge can be met from the provision in the Forest Budget.

(True Copy Extract)

J. Munro
Ag Sub Secretary

To

The Secretary to Government R.D.
with 2 original enclosures
to be returned.

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Revenue 1878 Deptt
No 4756.

Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated: 28 October 1878.
Read 31 — do —

Mis No 10961

No 1861 - 20 November 1878
Enquiry into Claims to Forests. — Submitting to Govt Letter from Collector of South Canara requesting sanction for the entertainment of an additional Establishment in connection with the —.

By order

No 1866.

The entertainment of two temporary Clerks on an allowance of a total monthly cost of Rs 47 is sanctioned provided that the assistance required by the Collector of Establishment cannot be rendered by the office establishment of the Deputy Conservator of Canara. The Collector will consider this matter with reference to the letter from the Conservator of Forests dt 4 June No 419 referred to him for report and if possible arrange with Col: Baldock for the temporary transfer of such hands as can be spared from the District Forest office.

20 November 1878