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Revenue DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.
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16th April 1874	35	14	7	having been collected and credited in
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				the Board for refund of the amount in
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From the same Officer, dated Chittoor, 6th December 1875, No. 654.

WITH reference to Board's Official Memorandum, dated 25th ultimo, No. 1,975, I have the honor to forward, herewith, a statement showing the particulars of refund to be made to the Valavadi Inamdars on account of fasaljasti and land-cess charged against them, and to state that the amount of Rupees 20-6-3, referred to in my letter No. 142, dated 23rd March last, was the fasaljasti for Fasli 1281 charged in the accounts of Fasli 1282.

2. The Board will see from the above statement that in each of the three following faslis the charge amounted to Rupees 38-4-3. Thus the total amount, including land-cess to be refunded, comes to Rupees 142-11-8, as stated in my letter No. 575, dated 1st November last, sanction for the payment of which sum I have the honor now to solicit.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Statement.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government with reference to G.O., dated 21st April 1875, No. 627.

2. The Collector of North Arcot ordered, in Fasli 1282, the collection of water-rate on second-crop cultivation raised on some valavadi wet inam fields by means of irrigation from a valavadi channel. The charge was repeated in the subsequent faslis, and the Inamdar appealed to the Board. It was found that two crops had always been raised on this land, and that no claim to fasaljasti had been

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previously made. The Board therefore ordered,* following the principle laid down in the Government Order quoted

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23rd February 1876.*

at the head of these Proceedings, that no additional tax for second-crop cultivation on the land in question should be levied.

3. A sum of Rupees 142-11-8 having been collected, previous to the Board's order, as water-rate on this land, the Collector requests sanction for its refund. The Board sanction the repayment of Rupees 81-5-0, being the amount of the tax credited within the past two years, and request the sanction of Government for the refund of the remainder Rupees 61-6-8, carried to account on the 27th May 1873.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

No. 270.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1876, No. 263.

Land Revenue, No. 11.

REFUND of Rs. 61-6-8 sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

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

Ed. W. H. French.

No. 1,534.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 7th June 1875.

Read the following letters:—

From W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to J. GROSE, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Palmanair, 13th October 1874,
No. 532.

I HAVE the honor to submit the report called for in the endorsement on Board's Petition, No. 1,778 of 1874, presented by Desury Appa Reddi and Subba Reddi, Valavadi Inamdars of Chendragiri in the taluq of that name, complaining against the charge of fasaljasti or second-crop assessment on certain Valavadi Inam lands.

2. During the settlement of the Chendragiri Taluq in Fasli 1282, which was conducted by myself, it was brought to my notice that a second crop was raised in the Valavadi Inam wet fields Nos. 31, 33, and 35 by means of irrigation from the Valavadi Channel, called the "Northern Rama Reddi Valavadi Channel." The extent of the second-crop cultivation was returned as 6 acres and 4 cents, assessed at Rupees 93-10-0.

3. These fields are entered as one-crop lands in the pyimash accounts. The Valavadi Inam grant must, therefore, have been contemplated to be limited to single-crop cultivation. I accordingly ordered the charge of the Fasaljasti for the second-crop cultivation under the channel in question, which takes its head from the Soornamookhee River, and also receives a portion of its supply by means of percolation, and therefore the water used for such second-crop cultivation is clearly the property of Government. There can be no doubt that the use of this water over and above the extent of the concession originally made for the construction and upkeep of the channel is liable to be charged for on behalf of Government in accordance with the principle laid down in the Board's Proceedings, No. 834, dated 13th April last, in a similar instance, under the same channel. In that case the question was the charge for water used for cultivation over and above the extent of the Inam, while here it is the levy of water-rate for second crop raised on single-crop Valavadi Inam.

4. From a perusal of the copies of sanads filed by the petitioners with their petition granting the inam, it is not clear that no charge can be made on account of Government for second-crop cultivation, although it must be admitted that the charge was not made in former years, which only shows that the present case is one of the several modes in which evasion of water-rate has been in vogue in the Chendragiri Taluq.

5. Under these circumstances I am still of opinion that the charge of Fasaljasti complained of is neither improper nor unjust. I, therefore, recommend that the petition under report be dismissed.

6. I beg to point out in conclusion that the Inamdar on whose lands the Teervajasti was levied is named Iyappa Reddi, while the petitioners seem to be different persons altogether, and they have not explained in any way what concern they have in the case.

7. Mr. Bourdillon's order remitting the Fasaljasti referred to in the Board's endorsement, and a copy of which is filed by the petitioners with their petition, does not exactly meet the case in point; it is to a certain extent in favor of the

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Dated February, 23rd.

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G.O., 23rd February 1876, No. 263.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 269-270.

Second crop assessment collected on certain Valavadi Inam lands in North Arcot.—Sanctioning the refund of Rs. 61-6-8, being the amount of — and carried to account.

Inamdars, and it is the same order alluded to in the case reported in my letter of the 12th November 1873, No. 699, which gave rise to the Board's Proceedings, No. 834, dated 13th April last, above referred to.

8. The Board's petition under report with its enclosures is herewith returned.

From the same officer, dated Ranipet, 23rd March 1875, No. 142.

With reference to Board's Official Memorandum, No. 1,863, dated 16th November 1874, I have the honor to inform you that the assessment of Rupees 93-10-0 on Acres 6-4 cents, referred to in paragraph 2 of my letter, No. 532, dated 13th October last, is the pymaish or the old rate, but the ordinary revised assessment on the land in question is Rupees 40-12-9. The amount of Fasaljasti due on the second-crop cultivation of the above extent is Rupees 20-6-3. This is the additional charge on account of water-rate imposed by me as stated in my letter above referred to and objected to by the Board's petitioners.

The Board are of opinion that the claim to Fasaljasti for second-crop cultivation under the channel in question cannot be maintained.

2. The Government have recently decided in a similar case that no water-tax should be levied on account of water supplied through the Valavadi channels

G. O., dated 21st April 1875, No. 627. to such ancient holdings as were formerly held to be exempt, and it is clear, from the Jamabandi Diary Extract filed with petition No. 1,778 of 1874, that two crops have always been raised on petitioners' land, and that no claim to Fasaljasti has hitherto been made. The fact that the old sanad produced by the petitioners makes provision for the levy of a higher rate in the event of a second-crop or certain special products being raised shows that two-crop land was referred to.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

To the Collector of North Arcot.
M.S. Endorsement to Petitioner.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

Fasaljasti or second-crop assessment—on certain Valavadi Inam lands in Chendragiri Taluk, North Arcot District, against which petitioners in No. 1,778 of 1874 complain.—Opinion expressed that claim for — cannot be maintained.

JUNE.
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(True Copies and Extract.)

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Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,

with original Statement, to be returned, and copy of Board's Proceedings,

dated 7th June 1875, No. 1,534.

.. the Collector of North Arcot.

Copy to the Accountant-General.

Exd. W. H. French.

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Refund of Rs. 61-6-8 sanctioned

23 February 1876

*14 To the Board of the District
6 The Accountant-General*

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FEBRUARY.

No. 366.

*Finalist or Second crop Assessment—
amounting to Rupees 142-11-8, collected on
certain Valavadi Inam lands in North Arcot
District.—Sanctioning refund of Rupees 81-5-0,
being a portion of —, credited to accounts with-
in the past two years, and requesting sanction
of Government for the refund of the remain-
der Rupees 61-6-8, carried to accounts more
than two years ago.*

with order

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