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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. A. SIM,  
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,  
with two enclosures, to be returned.  
Copy to the Collector of Anantapur.

ORDER—dated 1st August 1888, No. 525, Revenue.

Land Revenue, No. 49.

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that the remission of jodi hitherto allowed may be discontinued:—

| No. | Class of village office. | Amount of jodi usually remitted. |
|-----|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
|     |                          | RS. A. P.                        |
| 24  | Shroff ... ..            | 4 5 0                            |
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(The Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,  
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioners of Land Revenue,  
with two enclosures, returned.

Exd. P. L. Pereira.

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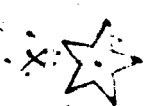
**Encl.**

G.O., 1st August 1888, No. 525.

**AUGUST.**

## Village Service Inams in the Anantapur District.

Approving the Board's recommendation regarding the remission of jodi in all but three cases, and requesting to be informed how cases of this kind are treated in enfranchisement and how quit-rents are fixed.

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*Revenue*

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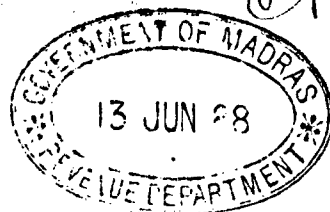
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1888.

Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.



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Proceedings, 22nd May 1888, No. 468.

Wm. H. Stokes

Submitting to Government report from the Collector of Anantapur on cases in which the jodi is usually remitted in consequence of insufficiency of the emoluments of village servants, with the request that the practice may be ordered to be continued till the inams have been enfranchised.

with an order

order.

The Bd's recommendation is approved in all but the three cases noted below, in which the Collr <sup>considers</sup> that the remission of jodi hitherto <sup>allowed</sup> may be discontinued:-

| No. | Class of <sup>Village</sup> <del>Service</del> | Amount of jodi usually remitted | Rs. | A. P. |
|-----|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----|-------|
| 24. | Shroff                                         | 4.                              | 5.  | "     |
| 29. | Talari                                         | 14.                             | "   | "     |
| 43. | Toti                                           | 6.                              | "   | "     |

Ch  
11 July

How into these cases be brought in before the Bd? The new jodi rate will be settled with reference to the reduced which is the actual jodi rate with reference to the old rate. I think the Bd will be satisfied. The Bd of Rev. on the subject of jodi rate will be satisfied. The Bd of Rev. on the subject of jodi rate will be satisfied.

11/7/88.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Current No. 3955.

From

The Board of Revenue

Dated

22<sup>nd</sup> May

1888.

FOR ORDERS.

G. O. 30 January 1865 No. 144  
— 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 1883 No. 1230.

No. These orders merely authorize reduction of jodi to amount when the former is in excess.

With reference to the notes by the Honble. Member and the Secretary on C. No. 3955, attention is directed to the order quoted in the margin, which contains instructions as to how such Village Service Inams should be enfranchised. These instructions have, it has been ascertained, been adopted in enfranchising similar Inams in the Bellary District, for which title deeds are under preparation, and will doubtless be followed in regard to the Inams in the Anantapur District also, unless orders to the contrary are issued in the meantime.

The procedure adopted in accordance with the orders quoted above is as follows: -

Where the jodi is equal to or higher than the revised (Ditta Khami) assessment, the Inam is enfranchised on a just rent equal to the revised assessment, and the whole of the just rent is credited to the Village Service Fund.

Where the jodi is lower than the assessment, five-eighths of the difference between the two amounts is fixed as the future just rent, and this, plus the jodi, is collected, provided it does not exceed three-fourths of the assessment (Vide G.O. 26: April 1861 & 939 para 4. This order, however, does not authorize the proviso above referred to). In this

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Original or revised?

This is the first instance of a revised assessment.

The sum for this is not assessed. The sum paid does not enter into the account.

Let

No. The Order in fact says nothing about the 5/8 of the difference. The 5/8 is a sum paid to the Inam holder, and is not a sum paid to the Village Service Fund.

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The Honble Member No. I think the Honble Member thinks that the present nominal jodi should be enfranchised as jodi, and the amount 5/8 of the sum which is permitted should be fixed as the future just rent. If the present jodi is the full assessment which is due so, no just rent will be

being due -

Let 3077

I do not know what is being done about the jodi. The old jodi was 1000 and the new jodi is 1500. The difference is 500. The 5/8 of 500 is 312.5. The 312.5 is the sum which is permitted. The 312.5 is the sum which is permitted. The 312.5 is the sum which is permitted.

Let

divided in many cases e.g. Nos 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 11, 15, 18, 19, 21 & 22. Where the jodi is permitted. Moreover, the jodi is now permitted in many cases because the Encumbrances are inadequate. But when the Inams are enfranchised, the Village Establishments will be revised and adequate remuneration will be paid in cash to Village Officers.

The

The revisions now allowed  
will thereafter be unnecessary  
and quit rent will therefore  
be imposed, irrespective of  
the adequacy or otherwise  
of the emoluments of the  
Office.

In this connection, attention  
is also requested to G.O.,  
of the 11th Current, No 477, in  
which Govt. have proposed  
to enfranchise Village Service  
Inams in the Bellary and  
Anantapur districts, on the  
basis of the present assess-  
ment, subject to revision  
of quit rent after the districts  
are settled. If this proposal  
is carried out, it is probable  
that the assessment on  
these Inams, most of which  
are of poor quality, will be  
reduced by the Settlement

Depto

FOR ORDERS.

This was intended.

Yes Ch.  
30/7

\* Separate para.

1. As per para 2. of the G.O. on  
Revenue C. No 3955.

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26/7/88.

Ch  
31/7/88.

Depto and the quit rent <sup>13</sup>  
will be revised with  
reference to such reduced  
assessments. — It has  
not been explained why the  
jodi on some of the Inams  
is higher than the assess-  
ment, though Govt. in  
their order of January 1865,  
ordered it to be reduced  
to the level of the assessment.

The order C. No 3955  
appears correct. No intimation  
regarding capitation  
appears collected for under en-  
franchisement. It is to be taken to the  
Commissioner that the quit rent  
plus jodi shall not exceed  
3/4 of the revised assessment.  
This comes from underly here  
or which the jodi is low.  
Here or which it is equal to  
the assessment setting no reduc-  
tion.

Ch  
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OFFICE NOTE.

Station \_\_\_\_\_ date July 17 188 8.  
Vide Mr. H. Stokes  
Remark on No 3953.  
From \_\_\_\_\_

To Registration

Further information is re.  
found regarding the land  
(which it is believed are  
peculiar to the Lord of the  
lands) and as to their time  
limit at the time of the  
franchisement.  
Will they be enfranchised  
at 5/8<sup>th</sup> of the land value  
less encumbrance, or at  
5/8<sup>th</sup> of the land value  
i.e. the difference between  
the Jodi and full value  
here?  
If the latter case be adopted  
but how will land be  
treated in cases in which  
the Jodi is equal to the  
encumbrance as it is in

OFFICE NOTE.

Station \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_ 188 .

From

To  
 long cases. <sup>that</sup> is to  
 say the sum has di  
 appeared.

The remission at the  
 time of Dittman's do  
 not appear to have been  
 fixed on any fixed  
 principle vide para 5.  
 of letter from Office of  
 Belong in 1862 5th  
 105 to 527. I presume  
 the remission was generally  
 fixed so as to leave the  
 same amount of the re  
 mits as before the re  
 duction in assessment  
 of the <sup>assessment of the</sup> ~~land~~ was  
 Rs 20, with 1000 Rs 10  
 and the price was re  
 duced to Rs 15, the 1000  
 was <sup>reduced</sup> to Rs 5, so  
 that to leave Rs 10 to the  
<sup>holder</sup> ~~holder~~ . but <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~  
principle is to the 7-8.

OFFICE NOTE.

Station \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_ 188 .

From

To

If the names are en-  
franchised at 2/10-1/2  
the new Scotland  
rule. There will be some  
as regards the Union?  
Lead Revenue to the old  
form; with the amount to  
be added before added to  
the Village Service Fund?  
if do in some cases the  
Village Service Fund.  
We get more or nothing.  
Enquiry has been made  
made in the Home Office  
and the other subject  
cleared up.

Please see draft  
note for orders.  
Submitted herewith. 17/7  
Coh  
Bd

Hand Rev. no 1  
 2/10  
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Regarding certain Village Service Enams in the Anantapur district.

2. The Board requested to report how cases of this kind are treated in enfranchisement and how jodi rents are fixed. Where jodi, original or reduced, equals or exceeds the assessment there is no income value a proportion of which can be taken as jodi rent on account of enfranchisement, and nothing appears to form an asset of the Village Service fund. Where jodi on Service Enams has been reduced or remitted under para 33 of R.M.C. 2 of 1887, No. 53 it is presumed that the reduced or remitted jodi is taken as the basis, five eighths of the difference between it and the assessment being added to jodi as jodi rent and credited to the Village Service fund.

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