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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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8TH JULY 1893, No. 601, REVENUE.

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4	1376	24th March 1812.	Mr. Augustus Leguin.	In the taluk of Tirunelveli, in the village of Muthur, bounded on the north by the road between Kandiyur and Ayyampet, on the south by paddy fields, on the east by the village of Muthur, and on the west by the village of Tiruchiturai.	No copy of the grant is forthcoming. The grantee's name is not mentioned. The conditions of the grant cannot now be ascertained.	G. O. S.F.T.	ACS. 27-58	PAGODAS. 50 0 0	RS. A. P. ..	In his letter, No. 7124, dated 16th December 1881, the Collector reported to the Board that the terms of the grant had been broken, and that it would be sufficient to fully assess the lands. But the Board in its Proceedings, No. 1039, dated 13th April 1882, directed that a quit-rent of 11 pagodas per caway should be charged unless the holder preferred to have a ryotwari putta. The holder having consented to have it assessed at ryotwari rates, an assessment of Rs. 63-2-4 as shown below was fixed and putta issued:—
						Dry				Extent. Assessment.
						Tiottakkal				ACS. 19 12 0
						Waste land including building thereon				RS. A. P. 0 4 3
										7-26 27 6 1 (tree tax).
										8-92 15 12 0
										27-93 63 2 4
5	1735	21st June 1829.	The Revd. G. Barumburk of Church Mission Society.	In the village of Kormad, Mayavaram taluk, bounded on the north by the road to Singanadai, on the south by Mayavaram road, on the east by Venli Chetty's garden, and on the west by the road to Tiruvaramdar and Moor-nan's stop.	Lease for 99 years to the individual in column 4 on behalf of the Church Missionary Society for the construction and maintenance of a messuage on condition of paying an annual quit-rent of Rs. 54-8-6. Renewable for a further term of 99 years on payment of 100 pagodas; since exempted from paying the quit-rent.					From the copy of the grant procured by the head of the Lutheran Mission at Mayavaram, it is observed that the object of the grant was the construction and maintenance of a messuage for the Church Missionary Society, and that on the 31st January 1816, in consideration of Rs. 3,500, the right and title of the Church Missionary Society in the land and buildings was transferred to the Evangelical Lutheran Society at Dresden to be used by the Evangelical Protestant Mission. In this office letter, No. 4493, dated 4th December 1878, it was reported that the conditions of the grant had been duly observed and that no interference was necessary on the part of Government, and in Board's Proceedings, No. 1078, dated 3rd August 1880, it was ordered that no quit-rent should be collected so long as the land is used for religious purposes. The land was measured in the pimah as "Barumburk Missionary garden alayida porumbake." No action is necessary.

Nothing remains to be done in this case.

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6	1737	1st July 1828.	Mr. L. G. Courpalves.	In the Kivalar taluk, bounded on the north by Achagaren garden, a Moreman's mosque ground, and Tallisapattam, on the south by Idumbavanam katali, on the east by the jungle of Tekkuvalli, and on the west by the Kaluvan river.	Copy of the grant is forthcoming. The grant was for 99 years on condition that grantees should construct, "uphold, support, sustain, maintain and amend" a brick messuage or tenement, and pay a quit-rent of Rs. 1,278 every year and 30 pagodas at the end of every 30 years. The lands should not be let nor sold to any person who "shall not be under the license and protection of the East India Company."	G. O. S.F.T.	ACS. 13-43	PAGODAS. ..	RS. A. P. 31 8 7	In 1881, it was reported that the terms of the grant had been broken and that full assessment should be levied. The Board directed in its Proceedings, No. 1039, dated 13th April 1882, that a quit-rent of 1 P. 9 F. 56 C. per caway, or Rs. 31-8-7 on 13-43 acres, should be charged "at the original rate." Where this original rate was got from, I cannot make out. This sum has since been regularly paid. Muthukannu Tevan referred to in paragraph 5 of this office letter, No. 7124, dated 16th December 1881, printed in Board's Proceedings, No. 1039, dated 13th April 1882, has sold seven-eighths of the said lands to one Mahomed Mohidin Marakayer of Tulajapattanam. The remaining one-eighth is in the occupation of a widow Tyrrathuchi, a coparcener of Muthukannu Tevan, and has been leased out by her to the said Mahomed Mohidin Marakayer. The Mussalman is absent at Colombo and Tangathachi evades appearing to their being treated as ryotwari. There are now 839 fruit trees on the lands, of which 403 have already come to bearing. No portion of the lands is fit for wet cultivation and the whole extent can only be assessed at dry rates which at the average rate of the village comes to Rs. 12-0-1. If instead of charging dry assessment the trees be taxed, the tax on the trees already come to bearing will alone come to Rs. 34-7-10, or Rs. 2-15-3 more than the quit-rent now levied, and the amount is likely to increase as the trees come to bearing. Government has not planted any of the trees, or incurred any expenditure on the land. I think matters should remain as they are till the new settlement, and that the land should then be treated as ordinary ryotwari.

Read—also the following letter from W. P. AUSTIN, Esq., Collector of Madras, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Madras, 11th January 1893, No. 49:—

In reply to Board's memorandum, No. 2955, Routine, dated 12th December 1892, I have the honour to report that copies of grants are not available in the records of this district, but there are the registers containing the requisite particulars from which I beg to forward extracts relating to the numbers referred to by the Board.

Resolution—dated 15th May 1893, No. 253.

Submitted to Government, with reference to paragraph 3 of Government Order, dated 24th March 1890, No. 222, Revenue.

2. There were altogether 10 grants in the district as specified in the margin. Of these, No. 1 came into the enjoyment of Government owing to lapse from want of claimants, No. 2 was purchased by Government, and Nos. 3 and 4 referred to lands situated within the French Territory at Karikal. These 4 grants were therefore ordered by the Board to be removed from the list of Government grants in Tanjore—*vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 13th April 1882, No. 1039, and 3rd August 1886, No. 1078. The list forwarded by the Collector with the first letter read above accordingly deals with the remaining 6 cases.

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5. As regards No. 7, grant No. 1737, dated 1st July 1826, the Collector states that the person in whose name the lands continue in the revenue accounts has no objection to their being treated as ryotwari. The land measures 13 acres and 43 cents and pays a quit-rent of Rs. 31-8-7. It is said that no portion of the lands is fit for wet cultivation, and that the whole extent can only be assessed at dry rates, which, adopting the average of the village, would bring the charge to Rs. 12-0-1. The Collector points out that, if, instead of charging dry assessment, the trees on the lands (there are 839 fruit trees, of which 403 have already come to bearing) are taxed, Government can realize more than the present quit-rent. He would, however, effect no change until the new settlement is introduced, and then treat the land as ordinary ryotwari. But the Board recommends, with reference to paragraph 2 of Government Order, No. 256, dated 28th March 1893, that the property may be converted into a permanent grant on the existing quit-rent, as the present quit-rent is more than Rs. 2 an acre.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with 2 statements in original (to be returned).
Collector of Tanjore.

ORDER—dated 8th July 1893, No. 601, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

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(True Extract.)

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6	1737	1st July 1826.	Mr. L. G. Courpalres.	In the Kivair taluk; bounded on the north by Achagren garden, a Moreman's mosque ground, and Tallikayalam, on the south by Idumbavaram kailai on the east by the jungle of Tirtuvalli, and on the west by the Kaluvan river.	Copy of the grant is forthcoming. The grant was for 99 years on condition that grantee should construct, "uphold, support, sustain, maintain and amend" a brick messuage or tenement, and pay a quit-rent of Rs. 1,278 every year and 30 pagodas at the end of every 30 years. The lands should not be let nor sold to any person who "shall not be under the license and protection of the East India Company."	C. O. SRT.	ACA.	PAGODAS.	RS. A. P.
						..	13-43	..	31 8 7

In 1881, it was reported that the terms of the grant had been broken and that full assessment should be levied. The Board directed in its Proceedings, No. 1039, dated 13th April 1887, that a quit-rent of 1 P. 9 F. 58 C. per canny, or Rs. 31-8-7 on 13-43 acres, should be charged "at the original rate." Where this original rate was got from, I cannot make out. This sum has since been regularly paid. Muthukannu Tevan referred to in paragraph 5 of this Office letter, No. 7124, dated 16th December 1881, printed in Board's Proceedings, No. 1039, dated 13th April 1882, has sold seven-eighths of the said lands to one Mahomed Mohidin Marakayer of Tulajapatnam. The remaining one-eighth is in the occupation of a widow Tanguthachi, a coparcener of Muthukannu Tevan, and has been leased out by her to the said Mahomed Mohidin Marakayer. The Mussalman is absent from Colombo and Tanguthachi appearing before the Tahsildar for inquiry. But Muthukannu Tevan, in whose name the lands continue in the Revenue accounts, says that he has no objection to their being treated as ryotwar. There are now 839 fruit trees on the lands, of which 403 have already come to bearing. No portion of the lands is fit for wet cultivation and the whole extent can only be assessed at dry rates which the average rate of the village comes to Rs. 12-0-1. If instead of charging dry assessment the trees be taxed, the tax on the trees already come to bearing will alone come to Rs. 31-7-10. Rs. 2-15-3 more than the quit-rent now levied, and the amount is likely to increase as the trees come to bearing. Government has not planned any of the trees, or incurred any expenditure on the land. I think matters should remain as they are till the new settlement, and that the land should then be treated as ordinary ryotwar.

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READ—also the following letter from W. P. AUSTIN, Esq., Collector of Madras, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Madras, 11th January 1893, No. 49:—

In reply to Board's memorandum, No. 2955, Routine, dated 12th December 1892, I have the honour to report that copies of grants are not available in the records of this district, but there are the registers containing the requisite particulars from which I beg to forward extracts relating to the numbers referred to by the Board:

RESOLUTION—dated 15th May 1893, No. 253.

Submitted to Government, with reference to paragraph 3 of Government Order, dated 24th March 1890, No. 222, Revenue.

2. There were altogether 10 grants in the district as specified in the margin.

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| 1. No. 1237, bearing date 27th Oct. 1807. | Of these, No. 1 came into the enjoyment of Government owing to lapse from want of claimants, No. 2 was purchased by Government, and Nos. 3 and 4 referred to lands situated within the French Territory at Karikal. These 4 grants were therefore ordered by the Board to be removed from the list of Government grants in Tanjore—vide Board's Proceedings, dated 13th April 1882, No. 1039, and 3rd August 1886, No. 1078. The |
| 2. " 1288, " " 11th July 1808. | |
| 3. " 1367, " " 19th March 1811. | |
| 4. " 1516, " " 5th Sept. 1818. | |
| 5. " 1376, " " 24th March 1812. | |
| 6. " 1735, " " 21st June 1826. | |
| 7. " 1737, " " 1st July 1826. | |
| 8. " 1263, " " 6th " 1808. | |
| 9. " 1180, " " 27th Oct. 1806. | |
| 10. " 1246, " " 15th March 1808. | |

list forwarded by the Collector with the first letter read above accordingly deals with the remaining 6 cases.

3. No. 5, i.e., the land covered by grant No. 1376, under date the 24th March 1812, has already been assessed at ryotwari rates with the consent of the holder. It will therefore be removed from the register of Government grants.

4. No. 6, i.e., grant No. 1735, dated 21st June 1826. This was originally granted on a lease for 99 years on behalf of the Church Missionary Society for the construction and maintenance of a messuage, and is to be held free of any rent so long as it is used for religious purposes. It is presumed that the conditions of the grant have been observed, and, if this is so, no orders are now called for.

5. As regards No. 7, grant No. 1737, dated 1st July 1826, the Collector states that the person in whose name the lands continue in the revenue accounts has no objection to their being treated as ryotwari. The land measures 13 acres and 43 cents and pays a quit-rent of Rs. 31-8-7. It is said that no portion of the lands is fit for wet cultivation, and that the whole extent can only be assessed at dry rates, which, adopting the average of the village, would bring the charge to Rs. 12-0-1. The Collector points out that, if, instead of charging dry assessment, the trees on the lands (there are 839 fruit trees, of which 403 have already come to bearing) are taxed, Government can realize more than the present quit-rent. He would, however, effect no change until the new settlement is introduced, and then treat the land as ordinary ryotwari. But the Board recommends, with reference to paragraph 2 of Government Order, No. 256, dated 28th March 1893, that the property may be converted into a permanent grant on the existing quit-rent, as the present quit-rent is more than Rs. 2 an acre.

6. The land covered by grant No. 1263, dated 6th July 1808, measures 8 cawnies 14 grounds and 1,824 square feet (11.39 acres) and pays a quit-rent of Rs. 45-3-7. The conditions of the grant have been fairly observed, and the house erected on the land is now occupied by the Head Assistant Collector. If the holder of the land is willing, the Board would propose that a permanent patta be issued to him subject to the payment of the yearly quit-rent, viz., Rs. 45-3-7 now levied, which is higher than Rs. 2 per acre.

7. The conditions of grants Nos. 1180 and 1246 are not ascertainable, but it is presumed that they are also 99 years' leaseholds. The land occupied by the first grant measures 2 acres 31 cents paying a quit-rent of Rs. 9-3-0, and that occupied by the second is 17 cawnies 3 grounds and 602 square feet (22.66 acres) bearing a quit-rent of Rs. 89-15-4. The Board would recommend the conversion of these also into permanent properties, subject to the payment of the existing quit-rents, which exceed Rs. 2 per acre. The Board notes that grant No. 1246 was for 17 cawnies 3 grounds and 602 square feet, equivalent to about 3 velis 8 mahs and 55 $\frac{1}{4}$ gulis. The land now measures 22 velis 1 mah and 85 $\frac{2}{3}$ gulis (146 acres 6 cents). The Collector is unable to account for the difference as it dates back to the time of the paimash accounts. The village in which the lands is situated is a Kattuguttalai village.

(True Copies and Extract.)

for Acting Secretary.

*Not in the
Case of No. 1246
which comes
under No. 1246-6 acres.*

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with one statement in original (to be returned).
Collector of Tanjore.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1893.

Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

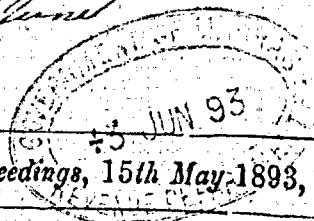
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BP 823 d/18-3-82
BP 5770 d/26-7-82
BP 1078 d/3-8-80
BP 12424 d/10-11-80
BP 1039 d/13-4-82
BP 2716 d/28-11-82

S.O. W. J. 4/7/93
The B^d recommendations
are sanctioned. *except*
regarding No. 1246, regarding which
a further report should be submitted
P.M. 17/6.

*I think that in the case of No. 1246 the whole case was over-looked and was included in the 1st statement sent to the B^d.
The B^d of Rev. (Land Rev.)*
24/6

W.H.

The B^d does not state whether in the case of grant No. 1246 (No. 2 in the 1st statement) it would grant a permanent patta for the estate entered in the original grant or for the estate now actually in the possession of the present occupants.
P.P.O.

Submitting to Government, with remarks, proposals of the Collector of Tanjore for the conversion of the 99 years' leaseholds in the district into permanent properties.

*C. 20/6
B. 27/6*

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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No. 4181.

17.

Dated

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FOR ORDERS.

W.H.

With reference to the proposed treatment of grant No. 1246.

Under the above proposal the quit-rent will be enhanced from Rs 89-15-4 to Rs 292-1-11. But it appears from the Collector's remarks in the statement printed at pp. 3-5 of the Current (vide No. 2) that the present holders are unwilling to accept a ryotwari patta on taram assessment of Rs 128-3-3.

2. The Collector's letter No. 4449 dated 4 December 1878 quoted in the Statement above referred to is printed in B.P. No. 1078 dated 3.8.80 (vide vol. put up).
3. Seeing that it is stated that

FOR ORDERS.

That the original grant is not forthcoming nor a copy of it and that no legal evidence is available as to the terms of the grant, it is matter for consideration whether instead of at once issuing C. O. as proposed in respect of the grant, it would not be better to call for further report thereon.

4. The Collector may make further enquiry to ascertain how the information furnished regarding this grant was obtained when the Collector wrote his letter of 4th December 1878.

5. He may also be asked to ascertain from the present occupants whether they would accept a permanent patha for the whole extent in their occupation and if they would, on what terms.

6. The Board's recommendation on the point is not clear and this may also be pointed out.

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It does not appear that
the Hon. Mr. Garstin has
seen the objects on c. nos 4179
and 4181.

R.V.

29/6.

19 19 The Hon. Member has not
intended the report on
C: 4179 + 2401.
The further report shall
be called for regarding same
no 1246 in Tanjore

29 June

+ + 12th St. Ave., at Bureau
 across street, on permanent platte,
 on of giving up the excess over \$
 22.66 and returning to the
 present situation -
 4/8/93 L.H.P.

I must have overlooked L.E.N. 410.
 Given her receipt 20 Nov - I
 have now initialed ^{K-9718} N° 419.

I certainly think it w^d. b^e unfair to
ask the leg^y of a gentleman at the rate
of 200 an acre on the 14.6. 86
in front of 124.6. The 18th increased
the estimate of the existing gentleman
of 84.15.2 under the misapprehension
that he was to pay about 1700
though they then printed out that the
real one was 14.6. 86. — Further reports
of cutting the charge proposed in
his bill & the man in possession, who
is in a hurry to leave for the coast, will
~~not~~ give the option to him of taking
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

21 Read C No 4181

21 *copy* G.O. of 8 July 1893, no. 601.

The Board's recommendations are sanctioned except as regards grant no 1246 regarding which a further report should be submitted as to the wishes of the present occupants. They should be given the option either of keeping the whole area in their occupation at tarani assessment on permanent patta or of giving up the excess over 22.66 acres and continuing to pay the present quit rent. The collector of Tanjore should also be called upon to make further enquiry to ascertain

C. Nos 4187. 4179 & 4180

Re. Grant of Permanent
pattas in respect of
household property

26.6.93
The Hon'ble Secretary.

ascertain how the infor-
mation regarding this
grant furnished in his
office letter to the Board
no 4449 d 4.12.78 was
obtained.

R.N.
7/7

Ch
8 July

C no 4181

Re: grant of permanent
pattas in respect of
Cantaria
leasehold properties.

Draft 400

To
The Bd of Revenue (L.R.)
with records. 10/13

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G.C. 8 July 1893, no: 601