

Revenue Department.

G. G. No 1302 of 24.9.1858

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 28th September 1858.

No. 27. Read the following Extracts from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2d September 1858, No. 3345.

In Consultation 2d September 1858. Read letter from the Acting Collector of Tinnevely, dated 3d August 1858, furnishing the further information called for by the Board respecting the grants attached to the Pagoda, &c., at Puducoody.

(Here enter No. 261.)

In Consultation 11th January 1858. Resolved that the foregoing letter be submitted for the information and orders of Government with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation in the Revenue Department, No. 1303, dated 15th December 1857.

2. The Acting Collector states that the Proprietors of the institution to which the three grants allude to by Government in para. 2 of the Extract Minutes Consultation above quoted are attached, have no Purwanahs or other documents to produce in support of their title. In their former Proceedings the Board proposed the continuance of these three grants on the ground of early endowment and subsequent uninterrupted enjoyment.

3. In respect to the $\frac{1}{3}$ d share in No. 10 represented to have been enjoyed by the Agraharum, in regard to which Government concurred with the Board that it would be better to continue it rent free for a specific period, than to treat it as a personal grant in consequence of the number of shares into which such grants are usually subdivided; the Acting Collector states that there is no objection to its immediate resumption, as it was paid in paddy to certain Brahmins for Pagodas service and has been discontinued since Fusly 1262. These Brahmins were brought from other villages and are not, at present, residing in the five houses which are stated to have been built for them by the founder of the Chuttrum.

4. Under this further explanation, the Board recommend that the share be resumed.

5. As there are no arable waste lands available in the village of Puducoody for commuting the ready money allowance, the continuance of which was sanctioned by Government in para. 5 of their order, and the Proprietors of the Pagoda object to take lands in any other village, the Board recommend that Mr. Mayne's proposal in para. 3 to grant Saigal lands of equivalent value (Rupees 423-2-11) be sanctioned.

6. The Collector has omitted to state whether any objection is likely to be raised to this arrangement by the ryots, who will have the Trustees of the Pagoda as their future landlords instead of the Government.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 28. Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th September 1858, No. 3537.

In Cons. 18th Sept. 1858. Read letter from the Acting Collector of Tinnevely, dated 9th September 1858, furnishing the information called for by the Board, in regard to the lands proposed to be given to the Trustees of the Puducoody Pagoda.

(Here enter No. 310.)

Resolved that the foregoing letter be forwarded for the information of Government, with reference to para. 6 of the Board's Proceedings, No. 3345, dated 2d September 1858.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 28th September 1858.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, No. 1302; dated 24th September 1858.

1. In these Proceedings the Board of Revenue furnish the information called for in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1303, dated 15th December 1857, with reference to certain Ináms, &c., in Tinnevely.

Board, p. 2.

E. M. C. dated 15th Decr. p. 2.

No.	1.	6	7	Assessment.		
				Rs.	A.	P.
...	...	...	...	93	5	4
...	...	...	...	42	12	6
...	...	...	...	38	11	5
Total...				174	13	3

2. The Government resolve to continue the Ináms alluded to in the margin subject to report on the lapse of the present incumbents.

Ex. Mins. Cons. of 15th December, p. 4.

3. In accordance with the Board's recommendation the $\frac{1}{2}$ share of the Agraharam (No. 10) referred to in para. 3 of their Proceedings, will be resumed.

4. In para. 5 of the order of December 15, 1857, the Government confirmed the allowance to the Pudukudi Pagoda (Rupees 423-2-11) but directed its commutation into land. The Board now report that there are no waste lands avail-

Para. 5.

able in Pudukudi for commuting the allowance; and that the Proprietors of the Pagoda object to take lands in any other village. The Board recommend in consequence that Seykál lands of the value of Rupees 423-2-11 be assigned to the Trustees of the Pagoda. The Government sanction this arrangement, provided the ryots make no objection; which it is presumed that they will not, as from the Collector's letter of the 9th Instant it is observed that the Trustees of the Pagoda are themselves the holders of the lands proposed to be assigned. If they do, the Collector must assign waste lands of the required value in some adjoining village.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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N^o 1302.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation.
Under date the 24th Sept. 1858.

Altered as directed
in Council 22-9-58
JP

Read the following Extract from
the Proceedings of the Board
of Revenue.

(Here enter 2nd Sept 1858 to 3345)

1. In these proceedings the Board
of Revenue furnish the informa-
tion called for in E.M.C. No. 1303
of 15 Dec 1857, with reference
to certain Ináms &c., in

Tinnevely.

2. The Govt resolve
to continuing the Ináms
alluded to in the margin
in perpetuity. No doubt
whatsoever exist to prove
the title of the holders.

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E.M.C. of 15 Dec 57 p. 2.						
No.	1	6	7	Rs.	A.	P.
				93	5	4
				42	12	6
				38	11	5
Total				174	13	3

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
15th November 1871.*

No. 126. Read the following letter from the Officiating Inam Commissioner, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 10th October 1871, No. 31:—

I HAVE now the honour to reply to Government Order No. 287 of 15th February last.

It appears that when A. Narayana Rau, the Deputy-Collector of this Commission, was settling the Inams of Tinnevely no body appeared before him on behalf of several villages in that district, which form part of the endowment of the Great Temple at Ramesvaram; consequently, in due course, after proper notice, the Deputy-Collector caused them to be attached and proceeded to his work in Trichinopoly.

2. This brought the Temple Trustee to his senses, and he sent his Vakil post-haste to Trichinopoly, where the grants were settled in his favour.

3. In the old accounts of Fusly 1213 (1802-3), which the Deputy-Collector procured from Tinnevely, there are deducted from the whole extent (ayacut) of one of these Ramesvaram endowments, namely, the village of Sedukavaitan *cum* Nedunkarei, 45 acres, as the endowments of certain local temples. The Ramesvaram Vakil being asked about these entries stated—"yes, I have nothing to do with them; they belong to the temples specified; the rents go to them, not to Ramesvaram." Whereupon the Deputy-Collector, without further inquiry, advised the issue of Title-deeds accordingly, and the late Special Assistant, Chentsal Rau, gave effect to that recommendation.

4. The action thus taken has proved to have been somewhat precipitate. These 45 acres were declared the Inam of A., because B., a neighbouring Inamdar, was pleased to describe them as such; A. himself never having been bold enough to claim them.

5. The fact is (whatever was allowed subsequently), it was never originally contemplated that the Inam settlement of any district was to be made out of that district. All cases, which the Inam Department was, from any cause, unable to dispose of before leaving the district, were to be made over to the local authorities to settle, it being obviously impossible to give a satisfactory judgment (as a Court of *First Instance*) in the absence of the Village Curnum, of the Tahsildar's accounts, and (as in this case) of the very parties themselves.

6. Full local information has now been obtained, and it appears that, however, these 45 acres are entered in 1802. There is no doubt whatever that they have been paying the full assessment ever since. I have accordingly directed the cancelment of the Title-deeds, and must, at the same time, express my surprise that the Collector of the district did not lift up his voice, when, by a stroke of the Commissioner's pen, he suddenly lost Rs. 271-1-3 of the annual rent roll of the province committed to his charge. I know it has been occasionally supposed (in high quarters too) that this department has power to turn fully assessable and fully assessed lands into Inam, instead of merely to determine certain unalterable rules, the validity of the titles under which they are actually in the enjoyment of lands not fully assessed; but as this is a delusion, which might work great loss to the State, the sooner it is scotched the better.

*Revenue 1858 Depty
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Capted from Govt.
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*Discharging
the commission as
well as remuneration
of certain Inams
in Tinnevely*

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Gobt. of {1871} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated November 15th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 15th November 1871, No. 1,936.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 126-127.

Application for refund of certain Inam collections in Tinnevely District.—Explanation of the Inam Commissioner in connection with this case, communicated to the Board of Revenue.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th December 1871.*

No. 89. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th March 1871, No. 1,416 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Tinnevely, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 7th March 1871, No. 90.

In reply to the Proceedings of Government, No. 287, dated 15th February, communicated in Miscellaneous Proceedings No. 520, dated 18th February, I have the honour to explain that the reason of petitioners' claiming only one year's refund of assessment is that they only considered themselves entitled to a refund for the year in which they received their title deed from the Inam Commissioner.

2. The petitioners had up to that time paid full assessment on the land; but when they were told that they might have it for nothing and received a title deed for it they naturally tried to recover the money just paid for that year's assessment.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to Government Order 15th February 1871, No. 287.

No. 90. ORDER THEREON, 8th December 1871, No. 2,077.

RECORDED with reference to G. O.,
10th NOV. 1871, NO. 1,000.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Rev. 1871 Sept.
No. 3289

From
The Officiating Inam
Commissioner

To
The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Dept.
Fort Saint George.

Dated 10th October 1871
Received 14th Oct.

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Lifted
Hon. Mr. Secy.

Replying to G. O. No. 287
of 15th February last.
No. 1996-15. December 1871

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14. To the Board of Revenue, 30th March 1871.
2. To the Collector of Tinnevely, 7th March 1871.
3. To the Inam Commissioner, 10th November 1871.
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Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 30TH MARCH 1871, No. 1,416.

Des^{pt}: 14 April 1871.

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No. 1,416.

Refund of assessment.—Letter from Collector of Tinnevely, explaining why certain individuals claim refund of only one year's assessment on their Inam land, submitted to Government.

Recorded with reference
to G.O. 15. Nov 1871 No. 1936.

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