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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 11th May 1858.

No. 67. Read the following letter from G. S. FORBES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue; to Colonel C. A. BROWNE, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Fort Saint George 28th April 1858, No. 1514.

SIR,

With reference to a claim advanced by the Beebee of Cannanore to levy Quit Rent on certain lands in the Cantonment now occupied in part by public buildings, and which claim may probably be met by private arrangement with the Beebee, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will inform them whether His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief expressed any wish to effect a change in the arrangement of public buildings at Cannanore during his late visit to the place.

From Malabar 26th March in Con. April 1848.

No. 68. ORDER THEREON, No. 618; dated 8th May 1858.

Ordered to be referred to the Military Department.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Acting Secretary to Government.

2. The same remarks apply to No. 2. The Government have noticed on a former occasion, in passing orders on Vizagapatam enams, that unless the local authorities give grounds for their conclusions that the families of claimants have been long in possession, it is impossible for the Government to give such claimants the benefit of assertions made in their favor. For example, in this case, in the face of the statements in column 2 "no documents" and "no entry in the permanent accounts," the Collector says in his recommendation that the ancestors of the present holder appear to have received the grant 55 years before; though whether 55 years before the settlement, or 55 years *ago* be intended, and on what grounds the assumption is based in either case, is not apparent.

2. *Survasiddy Talook. Rajalla.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent	0	1	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment...	15	0	0

3. This Enam is entered in the settlement accounts in the name of the father of the deceased holder, and seems to have been possessed uninterruptedly by him and his son. It will therefore be continued as recommended by the Board, but only for life, in consequence of the unauthorized nature of the grant.

3. *Survasiddy Talook. Yellamanchelly.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent	0	1	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment	8	0	0

4. *Survasiddy Talook. Yellamanchelly.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent...	0	1	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment	8	0	0

5. *Survasiddy Talook. Gokwada.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent...	1	0	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment	13	0	0

6. *Survasiddy Talook. Kottoor.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent	0	1	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment	15	0	0
Jody	0	0	0

4. Number 4 will be treated similarly to number 1; numbers 5 and 6 will also be resumed as unauthorized alienations subsequent to the permanent settlement.

7. *Survasiddy Talook. Dimilay.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent...	0	6	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment...	60	0	0
Jody	12	0	0

5. Is as the Board remark analogous to number 3, and will be continued as proposed to the adopted son of the deceased, for life.

8. *Survasiddy Talook. Rayavaram.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent...	0	3	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment	30	0	0
Jody...	3	12	0

6. Number 8 has been alienated from the grantee's family; and considering that it was originally granted by a renter only, it will be sufficient, the Government think, to continue it for life to the son of the deceased.

7. This will be treated as proposed by the Board, viz. continued to the son of the deceased, but only for life, the grant having been made by the villagers; and in thus deciding upon the claims of the heirs of the deceased holders in the two last cases, the Government would remark that neither "villagers" nor "renters" have any power to alienate land in perpetuity, and the conclusions arrived at are not to be taken as recognizing any *right* to hereditary succession, but only as acknowledgment of some claim to consideration on account of long possession.

9. *Survasiddy Talook. Rayavaram.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent...	0	3	4
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment...	30	0	0

10. *Survasiddy Tolook. Pata Soodepooram.*

	C.	V.	P.
Extent...	0	2	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment...	10	0	0

	Extent.		*Assessment.*			*Jody.*		
	G.	*C.*	*Rs.*	*A.*	*P.*	*Rs.*	*A.*	*P.*
11	2	0	11	4	0	5	0	0
12	1	0	7	8	0	2	8	0
13	2	15	15	0	0	5	4	0
Total.	5	15	33	12	0	12	12	0

14.

G.	*C.*	*Assessment. Rs.*	*A.*	*P.*	*Jody. Rs.*	*A.*	*P.*
0	27	9	12	0	2	2	8

Palkonda Talook. Nudcoor.

	G.	C.
15. *Extent*...	1	8
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment...	13	0	0

19. *Palkonda Talook. Vadama.*

	G.	C.
Extent...	6	0
	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Assessment...	60	0	0
Jody...	22	8	0

8. The Government are quite unable to look at this case in the light it has been viewed by the Collector and Board. The remarks recorded above in para. 2 fully apply, and the Government direct that the enam be resumed.

9. The continuance of Numbers 11, 12 and 13 to the mother of the deceased during her life is sanctioned as proposed.

10. This grant is said to have been originally made by a Mokassadar. Its descent has been irregular, but the Government see no objection to continuing it, as proposed, to the widow of the deceased for her life.

11. In this case, the origin of the grant as reported in the accounts, seems to have partaken more of the nature of wages to a servant for the time being than an hereditary alienation, but, be this as it may, the services have not been rendered or required for a long time, and it is needless to discuss the pretensions of the nephews of the deceased. The grant will be resumed.

12. The proposed resumption of the 3 unauthorized grants subsequent to the permanent settlement, numbered 16, 17, and 18 is sanctioned.

13. As the transaction, by virtue of which this enam is claimed, is entirely unproved, the Government cannot agree with the view taken of the case by the Board; they direct that the enam be continued to the widow as a matter of grace until her death, when the whole share will be brought to full assessment. The Government will await the result of the promised enquiry as to the portion said to have been sold by the deceased, or his father.

14. The last paragraph of the Board's Proceedings is fully approved.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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No. 1514.

From G. S. FORBES, Esq., *Secretary to the Board of Revenue.*

To COLONEL C. A. BROWNE., *Secretary to Government, My. Dept.*

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[illegible] Malabar - 26th March [illegible]
9th April 1858.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
Fort Saint George,
28th *April* 1858.

I have the honor to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient servant,

Secretary.

Copy to the Chief Secretary to Government.

No 618 11-5-1

ordered to be reported to the
Military Department.

J. W. Bankhead

Fort Jesup La.
6 May 1858.

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