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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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17th August 1870.*

No. 304. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st July 1870, No. 4,621 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Tanjore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Tritrapundi Talook, 4th June 1870, No. 184.

THE Acting Civil Judge of Tranquebar has repeatedly brought to my notice that great difficulty is experienced by suitors in the Tranquebar Courts from stamped papers of more than 50 Rupees value not being procurable at the Zillah station.

2. As the Board are aware Tranquebar is not a talook station, and the talook station of Mayaveram, where stamps of all values can be had, is eighteen miles distant therefrom. The supply in the hands of licensed vendors at Tranquebar, as almost everywhere else, is necessarily limited to stamps of the value of Rupees 50 and under, since the discount allowed to them on purchases of stamps of more than 50 Rupees value is only 2 per cent., while, under the new scale of Institution Fees, the stock of stamps required to meet all possible wants is very large, and the probability of stamps of all values being sold necessarily very small, so as hardly to pay a reasonable interest on the capital employed. Hence, the difficulty complained of is, in the present state of things, unavoidable.

3. I do not see how licensed vendors can be compelled to purchase a certain quantity of stamped papers of each of the numerous values now required. If they were so compelled, very few, indeed, could find the necessary capital for doing so, and fewer still would be willing to hold licenses on such terms.

4. The wants of the public, however, in this respect require to be adequately provided for, as otherwise serious inconvenience must ensue; and to meet, therefore, the special circumstances of Tranquebar, which, while it is a Zillah station, is not a Talook Cusbah, I have the honour to recommend that the Sea Custom Superintendent at this station be authorized to sell stamps above the value of Rupees 50 on Government account in like manner with the Talook Sheristadars, and that as a remuneration for the extra labour thereby entailing on him, and in consideration also of the fact that he has no establishment to keep the required accounts, he be allowed a commission of 1 per cent. on his sales.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The fact that there is no Treasury at Tranquebar renders it necessary to make exceptional arrangements for the sale of Court Fee Stamps at that place. Rules for the sale of such stamps will probably be promulgated before long; but in the meantime it seems to the Board very desirable that the Collector's suggestion should be adopted.

No. 305. ORDER THEREON, 17th August 1870, No. 1,285.

Separate Revenue, No. 25.

Stamps.

THE recommendation made by the Collector in paragraph 4 of his letter, recorded in the foregoing Proceedings, is approved and sanctioned as a tempo-

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rary arrangement, under proper precautions, and on the understanding that will not interfere with the ordinary duties of the Superintendent of Sea Customs.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Under-Secretary to Government.

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

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

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