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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
18*th January* 1861.

No. 254. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th January 1861, No. 22:—

Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Nellore, 22nd December 1860, No. 223.

I have the honor to forward herewith an original letter, with translation, from the Zamíndár of Venkatagiri addressed to His Excellency the Governor in Council.

Ordered to be submitted to Government.

(A true Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Acting Secretary.*

No. 255. ORDER THEREON, 18th January 1861, No. 128.

1. The Board of Revenue will inform the Zamíndár of Venkatagiri, through the Collector of Nellore, that it is entirely out of the power of Government to grant his request for exemption from Income Tax.

2. The Zamíndár will have learnt from the notification issued by the Board, the reasons which compelled the Government of India to impose the tax. The Government look to him both as a faithful subject of Her Majesty, and as one who acknowledges himself to have received and fully appreciated the benefits arising from the British rule, to conform without hesitation to the orders of the Supreme Government, and render that assistance which his position so well enables him to give. In no part of this Presidency or of India has any Zamíndári been excepted from the operation of the Income Tax Act.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 22.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 4th January 1861.

Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated 22nd December 1860, No. 223 :—

I have the honor to forward herewith an original letter, with translation, from the Zemindar of Venkatagiri, addressed to His Excellency the Governor in Council.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

To The Right Honorable W. A. MOREHEAD, the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George,

&c., &c., &c., &c.

After Compliments.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH.

1. That since we have been relieved from our dependance on the Nabobs of the Carnatic, and placed under the protection of the British Government, we have merited their friendship and good will and have been duly respected and properly supported.

2. In accordance to the engagements contained in the Milkeut Sanad Istimrar or permanent Cowle, granted to us by the authorities of the British Government, to the effect that our Peishkush together with the charges of the Military force is fixed at 1,11,058 Star Pagodas, that we should be subject to no exactions whatever under the shape of Nazars, &c., that annoyed us under the Government of the Carnatic Nabobs; that no presents whatever but the above item would be collected from our Zemindari, and that regulations would be framed from time to time for security, protection, and prosperity of the country, we have been supported all along.

3. We trust that the faithful Government of the British are well aware that we have conducted ourselves in accordance to the terms of the permanent Cowle, and that the Peishkush of our Zemindari has been regularly paid in, and that no remission have been applied for to meet the losses incurred from excessive rains or severe droughts.

4. Unlike the former Government of the Mahomedans who troubled us in exacting money without limit, in the shape of Nazars and other expenses, the Honorable British Government having protected us, by peaceably and justly observing the stipulations of the Sanad Istimrar, we have been able to get on well so long: and we believe that Government will for the future protect us in the same way and we always pray to the Almighty for the welfare of the Government. Notice and forms have now been sent to us by the Assessor of the Nellore District, from which it appears that some temporary tax is to be imposed on the income of our Zemindari on which a permanent assessment has been already fixed: and we regret that this new system, which is quite contrary to the terms of the Sanad Istimrar, will press hard upon us and put us to trouble.

5. The difficulty experienced by us in paying the large Peishkush with our diminished collections, consequent on the unfavorable character of the seasons, has already been brought to the notice of our respected Collector, who takes an interest in our affairs, and we have requested him to lay our circumstances before Government: and we now pray that the Honorable Government will be pleased to take our prayers into their valuable consideration and preserve the terms of the Cowle, and render us justice by not imposing any new tax on the land revenue of our Zemindari, which is the chief source of our Peishkush.

(Signed) RAJAH VALUGOTE KUMARA YACHAMA NAIDU BAHADAR VAR.

(True Translation.)

(Signed) J. W. B. DYKES,
Collector.

Ordered to be submitted to Government.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. W. B. Dykes, Esq., Collector of Nellore.

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No. 35.

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No. 22.

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Nellore forwarding a communication from the Zemindar of Venkatagiri praying to be exempted from the operation of the Income tax act.





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Submitting a letter from the Collector of Vellore forwarding a Communication from the Zemindar of Venkatagiri praying to be exempted from the operations of the Income tax act.

No. 128.

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2. The Zamindar will learn from the Notification issued by the Board, the reasons which compelled the Govt of India to impose the tax. The Govt look to him both as a faithful subject of Her Majesty and as one who acknowledges himself to have received and fully appreciated the benefits arising from the British Rule, to conform without hesitation to the orders of the Supreme Govt, and render that assistance which his position so well enables him to give as one of the Presidency Zamindars.

No exception from the operation of the Income Tax Act.

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W. Thackeray

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Minute by the Honorable
Mr W. Elliot.
D/ 7th June 1859.

S.L. No 774. 7th June.

On imposing a tax upon Tobacco grown in the Presidency as well as on increasing the Monopoly Sale of Salt.

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William Brodie

Under Secy to Govt

Bengal Revenue Dept