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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2-8- 607 Press Mis.

224-225

8-9 March

Dated 22nd February 1869

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th March 1869.*

No. 190. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department:—

Sanctioning Rupees 1,500 for the purchase of the land, and of the buildings situated thereon, required for the new Talook Cutcherry and Subsidiary Jail to be constructed at Udiyagherry, Nellore District. } (Here enter 22nd February 1869, No. 280.)

No. 191. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1869, No. 607.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. S. LILLY,
*Under Secretary to Government.*

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Judicial Department, No. 280.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

Received 1869 20th March

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

REVENUE.

*Dated March, 1869.*

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*G. O., 8th March 1869, No. 607.*

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# MARCH.

## Nos. 190-191.

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*Taluk Cutcherry and Subsidiary Jail at Udiyagherry, in Nellore District.*—Order sanctioning the purchase of the land required for these buildings, communicated to Revenue Board.

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 22nd February 1869.*

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No. 224 Read the following letter from the Subsidiary Jail Committee, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 4th February 1869, No. 259.

With reference to our letter, No. 156, dated 23rd July last, we have the honor to state that, as it had been reported to us that the villagers at Udiyagherry now object to the use of the stones of an old Pagoda being used for the new Taluq Cutcherry and Subsidiary Jail, we requested the Collector to satisfy himself on the subject, and, if necessary, to select a new site. Mr. Dykes writes as follows:—

"I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th ultimo, and submit, for your consideration, the steps that I have taken in accordance to your instructions directing me to satisfy myself as to the validity of the objections raised to the proposed site of the new Cutcherry at Udiyagherry, and select another if necessary.

"2. I visited Udiyagherry at the beginning of last week. The old temple which had been selected would be unquestionably a very good site, but it is one of the most picturesque and beautiful old ruins that I know in India. It is, I think, in accordance to the orders of Government that it should be carefully preserved, and I have given directions accordingly.

"3. The people informed me that, when they gave their consent to this temple being appropriated for Government purposes, they gave it on the understanding that the stones were to be used for repairing their aqueduct, on which subject I am addressing the Board separately. And when they found that the repair of the aqueduct was allowed to remain in abeyance, and the stones of their temple were being used for other purposes, they changed their mind. This statement is probably true. How far a further statement that the person chiefly interested in the temple was not then present, but was absent on a pilgrimage, when the consent was given by themselves, is more doubtful, and, under the circumstances, was immaterial.

"4. As I entered the town on leaving the tank bund over which the approach passes, I noticed on my left, as I rode through the street, some open ground that looked as if it would make a fine site for a Cutcherry. When the question of the temple had been disposed of, I returned to this ground which is a square, the north side of which is formed by the principal street, whilst the east fronts to the tank above which it is well raised.

"5. I enclose a plan from which the Committee will see that half the ground is occupied by Kasim Sahib, the other half by Afghan Mahomed Sahib, Bade Sahib, and Savavarah Sahiba Bibi, all close relatives of the late Jaghiredar. The dwelling-house of Kasim Sahib's land is a terraced building of some pretension. Kasim Sahib's father was the owner of the villages noted in the margin, and in the receipt of an income of Rupees 2532 per annum. Kasim Sahib now lives in this house on seven Rupees a month, his share of a stipend of Rupees 35, the remainder of which is enjoyed by other members of the family. The villagers and the Tahsildar valued the land at Rupees 400, the house at Rupees 400. The Range Officer valued the house at Rupees 470. Kasim Sahib valued the property altogether

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at 1000 Rupees, but said he was ready to take whatever I thought fit. Afghan Sahib's land was valued by the villagers at about Rupees 200. He asked Rupees 250. Bade Sahib asked, in the first instance, Rupees 500 for his land and dwelling-houses. He has been more fortunate than his relations, being now in possession of a fine Shrotriem village in the Kavali Taluq. He has expressed his willingness to take what I think fit, and his land has been valued by the villagers at Rupees 84, houses at Rupees 112; Savavarah Sahiba Bibi asked Rupees 54 for her land, which is a portion of her garden. The villagers valued it at Rupees 40; and taking the value of the land &c., as given by the owners for Kasim Sahib, Afghan Mahomed Sahib, and Savavarah Sahiba Bibi, and as given by the Punchayet of villagers for Bade Sahib, the total sum to be thus paid for the site I propose would be Rupees 1500. It is a large sum, but, on the other hand, it is the best site that could be got for a Cutcherry at Udiyagherry. There could not be a better position with the mainstreet on one side, and the land sloping down rapidly within a few yards of the eastern boundary to the tank. It will also be commanded by the water to be brought from the hill through the aqueduct. We shall be able to reduce the net cost by the sale of materials, and, looking at the position in life of those concerned, it seems to me that the Members of the Jail Committee and the Government will be of opinion that other considerations should enter into the question of the amount to be paid for the land than would guide the Collector under ordinary circumstances; and I, therefore, agreed to the terms proposed by Kasim Sahib, Afghan Mahomed Sahib, and will now agree to the amount demanded by Savavarah Sahiba Bibi. As regards Bade Sahib the case is different, and as regards his property the valuation given by the villagers may, with propriety, be admitted.

"6. As it was desirable that the question should be definitely settled, and the agreements closed at once with so many proprietors, and the Range Officer was anxious to be put in possession of the land to commence operations, I paid Kasim Sahib his 1000 Rupees with reference to the interests of others,* and Afghan Mahomed Sahib his 250 Rupees before I left Udiyagherry. Bade Sahib I saw next day on my way to Singa Rayaconda, and the necessary valuations for his land and Savavarah Sahiba Bibi's having been sent after me were only received yesterday. I will now issue orders for the payment of the sums due for their lands, &c., and must trust that the steps I have taken will have the approval of the Subsidiary Jail Committee.

* The money was paid as follows:—Kasim Sahib Rupees 800, and 200 to another whose name is not known, as the agreement in which it is entered is left with the Tahsildar for registration.

"7. It will be observed that the proposed site has a frontage of 457 feet, and a length along the street of 331 feet. In the plan, portions of the land that have been purchased project beyond the red lines giving the measurements now specified. These portions will, of course, be retained, and the portions that are shown as not purchased are portions of the village site that shall be included. The building entered as a Mosque in the plan is not really a Mosque. It is the burial-place of the late Jaghiredar's family, and between this Durgah and the new Cutcherry site is a road that runs along the east front of the Cutcherry, but is not shown in the plan, and is lined by some fine trees. Beyond the road are some Inam fields and then the tank. To the south of the site a narrow street runs up to some houses

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also occupied by members of the late Jaghiredar's family, and it is only on its western side that the Cutcherry will be in immediate contact with private property".

2. We consider that Mr. Dykes has acted judiciously, and we beg to recommend his arrangements for the sanction of Government.

3. It would be well to take this opportunity of widening the eastern and southern roads.

No. 225. ORDER THEREON, 22nd February 1869, No. 280.

Under the circumstances represented by the Collector of Nellore, His Excellency the Governor in Council sanctions the payment of a sum of Rupees (1500) one thousand and five hundred, for the purchase of the land, and of the buildings situated thereon, required for the new Taluq Cutcherry and Subsidiary Jail to be constructed at Udiyagherry. The sanction accorded in G. O., dated the 12th August last, No. 1257, will be considered as cancelled.

2. Orders will be issued in the Public Works Department for widening the roads referred to by the Committee on Subsidiary Jails in the concluding paragraph of the foregoing letter.

(True Extract).

R. S. Ellis
*Chief Secretary.*

To the Collector of Nellore, with the plan.
" Public Works Department.
" Committee on Subsidiary Jails.
" Revenue Department.
" Inspector General of Police.

W. 607.
C. to the Board of Revenue.

Ed. J. Wright.

8th March/69

Revenue Dept.
Govt. of 1869 Madras
No. 666

JUDICIAL.

To

THE COLLECTOR OF NELLORE.
&c., &c.,

*Dated February, 22nd.*

*Recd.* 3d March. *Encl.*

*G. O., 22nd February* 1869, *No.* 280.

**FEBRUARY.**

**Nos. 224-225.**

Sanctioning Rupees 1500 for the purchase of the land, and of the buildings situated thereon, required for the new Taluq Cutcherry and Subsidiary Jail to be constructed at Udiyagherry, Nellore District.

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