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SUBJECT.

Enclosing copy of a notification
exempting basic slag from import
duty & stating that there is no
objection to the grant of a refund
to messrs. Brunner, Mond & Co., Madras
in account of the duty paid by
them on any consignments of
basic slag which they may have
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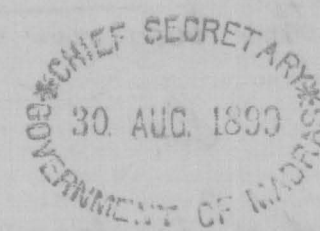
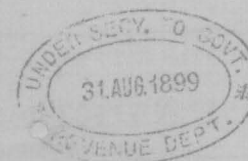
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No. 3920. S.R.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 24th August 1899.



To
The Secretary to the Govt of Madras,
Revenue Department.

Sir,
I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 2847, dated the 7th August 1899, recommending the exemption from customs duty of basic slag which is said to be imported exclusively for use as manure by planters in the Madras Presidency.

2. In reply I am to enclose copy of a Notification in this Department No. 3918. S.R., dated 22nd August 1899, exempting that article from import duty.

3. I am to add that there is no objection to the grant of a refund to Messrs Arbutnot and Company, Madras, on account of the

the duty paid by them on any consignments
of basic slag which they may have imported
on or after the 15th of July 1898.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Brumby

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

No. 3918-S.R.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 22nd August 1899.



Notification.

Statistics and Commerce.
Customs.



In exercise of the power conferred by
Section 23 of the Sea Customs Act (VII of
1878), and in continuation of Notification
No. 3133 S.R., of July 15th, 1898, the Governor
General in Council is pleased to exempt
basic slag from the import duty leviable
thereon under No. 10 of Schedule IV of the
Indian Tariff Act (VIII of 1894) as
amended by Acts XII of 1894 and III of 1896.

(sd) J. F. Finlay,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 3919 S.R.

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Bombay, Bengal and Burma.
By order etc.

(True copy)

M. Chandrasekhar

Superintendent

Sd/- J. B. Brumby

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India

Government (1899) of Madras.
REVENUE.

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G.O., No. 589, 2nd September 1899.

SEPTEMBER.

Customs Duty.

Communicating to the Board of Revenue a notification issued by the Government of India exempting basic slag from import duty leviable thereon under the Indian Tariff Act.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following G.O., Mis. No. 2846, Revenue, dated 7th August 1899, and letter to the Government of India, No. 2847 of the same date:—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), Mis. No. 1844, dated 28th April 1899:—

Read—letter from Messrs. ARBUTHNOT & Co., Madras, dated 15th October 1898; and Board's Reference thereon, No. 937, dated 27th October 1898.

Read—also reply from Messrs. ARBUTHNOT & Co., Madras, dated 13th January 1899; and Board's Reference thereon, No. 64, dated 18th January 1899.

Read—also reply from Messrs. ARBUTHNOT & Co., Madras, dated 6th February 1899; and Board's Reference thereon, No. 144, dated 9th February 1899.

Read—also reply from Messrs. ARBUTHNOT & Co., Madras, dated 16th March 1899; and Board's Reference thereon, No. 264, dated 28th March 1899.

Read—also letter from Major K. C. SANJANA, I.M.S., Acting Chemical Examiner, dated 18th April 1899, No. 418.

Resolution—Mis. No. 1844, dated 28th April 1899.

The Board begs to submit, for the orders of Government, the question of the exemption from import duty of a chemical preparation called "basic slag". The circumstances under which the reference is made are stated below:—

Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., having recently imported from London 210 bags of "basic slag" stated to be commonly used as manure for coffee trees, claimed its admission free of duty. The Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, levied duty on the consignment as the importers could not show that it fell under article 71 of schedule IV of the Tariff Act, or under the Notification of the Government of India communicated with certain correspondence in G.O., No. 405, Revenue, dated 22nd July 1898. He, however, informed them that, if they could show that the article could not be used for any other purpose than manure, a recommendation would be made to Government for refund of the duty.

2. Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. have appealed to the Board against the Collector's order. On a sample of the "basic slag" having been forwarded to the Chemical Examiner for analysis, he reports that "it contains lime and phosphoric acid equivalent to a little over 40 per cent. of lime phosphate together with a large quantity of iron and its most obvious use is as manure" and "I do not think that it can be applied to any other purpose".

3. The Board, therefore, considers that "basic slag" should be exempted from duty.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

C. G. TODHUNTER,

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with petition and enclosures in original.

Read—again the following Official Memorandum, No. 140, Revenue, dated 12th May 1899:—

With reference to its Proceedings, No. 1844, dated 28th April 1899, relative to the question of exempting from import duty the chemical preparation known as "Basic slag," the Board of Revenue is requested to ascertain from the United Planters' Association of Southern India if the substance is used to any considerable extent as a manure. The actual quantity imported into the Presidency during the past five years according to the trade returns should at the same time be reported.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue).

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), Mis. No. 3145, dated 13th July 1899:—

The Hon'ble Mr. J. THOMSON, M.A., I.C.S.

Read—Official Memorandum from Government, Revenue Department, No. 140, dated 12th May 1899.

Read—letter from HERBERT BRADLEY, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, dated 8th June 1899, No. 3465-G.; and Board's reference thereon, dated 13th June 1899.

Read—also letter from HERBERT BRADLEY, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, dated 21st June 1899, No. 3764-G.

Read—also letter from HERBERT BRADLEY, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, dated 29th June 1899, No. 3937-G.

Read—also letter from A. F. PINHEY, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector of South Canara, dated 30th June 1899, D. Dis. No. 222-Accts. of 1899.

Read—also letter from G. W. DANCE, Esq., I.C.S., Collector of Malabar, dated 8th July 1899, D. No. 396-S.C. of 1899.

Read—also Memorandum from Government, Revenue Department, No. 83, dated 7th July 1899.

Resolution—Mis. No. 3145, dated 18th July 1899.

With reference to Official Memorandum from Government, No. 140, dated 12th May 1899, the Board begs to state that the imports of basic slag are not shown separately in the trade returns received in this office. A statement of imports of this article in the several ports, compiled from the reports of the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, and of the Collectors of South Canara and Malabar, which appear to be the only districts into which it is imported, is submitted herewith.

2. The Secretary, United Planters' Association, quotes as below from the report of the Coorg Planters' Association regarding the imports of the manure referred to:—

"The only imports of basic slag are the following amounts:—

"Cwt. 500 imported by Messrs. Peirce, Leslie & Co. in October 1895.

"Cwt. 40 imported by Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. in May 1899.

"Tons 166 cwt. 18 imported during 1898-99 at Mangalore for North Mysore Planters.

As the last quantity which is large is not given in the letter of the Collector of South Canara, a reference has been made to him regarding the discrepancy. Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., however, have ascertained from their Agent at Mangalore that it

was imported "*this season*." It might have been imported in the current official year. An extract from the letter of the Secretary, North Mysore Planters' Association, is given below:—

"I think this year over 300 tons must have been brought in, and there is prospect of the amount being increased in future."

As it is stated that the quantity referred to above (300 tons) was imported *this year*, it was probably imported since April 1899. The figure stated seems, however, to be a mere estimate and, as the association does not say through what ports it was brought, the information cannot be verified. Meanwhile, a reminder having been received from Government, the information collected up to date is submitted without further delay, more especially as the Secretary to the Association last referred to states that it will take some time for him to ascertain accurately the amount of basic slag imported by members of his association, and as the Secretary of the United Planters' Association has stated his belief that a reference to planters for the information would be futile.

3. There is nothing in the papers to show its use for any but manure purposes.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

C. G. TODHUNTER,
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with statement.

APPENDIX.

STATEMENT showing the imports of basic slag in the last five years.

	1894-95.			1895-96.			1896-97.			1897-98.			1898-99.		
	BAGS.	TONS.	CWT.	BAGS.	TONS.	CWT.	BAGS.	TONS.	CWT.	BAGS.	TONS.	CWT.	BAGS.	TONS.	CWT.
Tellicherry	..	..	..	250	25	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calicut	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	0	19	725	72	10	350	35	0
Mangalore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Madras	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	210	21	0

Order—Mis. No. 2846, Revenue, dated 7th August 1899.

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue).

Letter—No. 2847, dated 7th August 1899, from H. TREMENHEERE, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department.

I am directed to refer you to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 3135-S.R., dated 16th July 1898, regarding the exemption of certain chemical manures from import duty.

2. It has been brought to notice by the Board of Revenue, a copy of whose

* Board's Proceedings, No. 1844, dated 28th April 1899, with enclosures.

Board's Proceedings, No. 3145, dated 13th July 1899, with enclosures.

reports* is enclosed for information, that an article known as basic slag is imported exclusively for manure by planters in this Presidency. The Chemical Examiner, after analysing a sample, has reported that it contains lime and phosphoric acid (equivalent to a little over 40 per

cent. of lime phosphate) together with a large quantity of iron. He has added that its most obvious use is manure and that it cannot be used for any other purpose. The average quantity imported during the last four years is about 47 tons. His Excellency the Governor in Council considers that the article may be exempted from import duty, and I am accordingly to submit the case for the favourable consideration of the Government of India.

READ—also the following letter from J. B. BRUNYATE, Esq., I.C.S., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, dated Simla, 24th August 1899, No. 3920-S.R.:—

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3. I am to add that there is no objection to the grant of a refund to Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., Madras, on account of the duty paid by them on any consignments of basic slag which they may have imported on or after the 15th of July 1898.

ENCLOSURE.

NOTIFICATION of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department (Statistics and Commerce—Customs), dated Simla, 22nd August 1899, No. 3918-S.R.

In exercise of the power conferred by section 23 of the Sea Customs Act (VIII of 1878), and in continuation of Notification No. 3133-S.R., of July 15th, 1898, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to exempt basic slag from the import duty leviable thereon under No. 10 of Schedule IV of the Indian Tariff Act (VIII of 1894) as amended by Acts XVI of 1894 and III of 1896.

(Signed) J. F. FINLAY,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 3919-S.R.

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(By order, &c.)

(Signed) J. B. BRUNYATE,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—No. 589, Revenue, dated 2nd September 1899.

Separate Revenue No. 95.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue in continuation of G.O., No. 2846, dated 7th August 1899.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. TREMENHEERE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue).
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(through the Political Department).

" Madras Chamber of Commerce.
" Madras Trades' Association.

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