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BOARD OF REVENUE (REV. SETT., L. RDS. AND AGRI.), 25TH FEB. 1897, No. 165.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R. S., L. R. and Agri)., dated 12th February 1896, Mis. No. 730:—

Read—the following letter from M.R.Ry. S. RUNGACHARIAR, Avergal, B.A., Deputy Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Party No. I, Bellary and Anantapur Districts, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Camp, Anantapur, 11th January 1896, No. 16:—

I have the honour to inform the Board that certain wet fields, situated in the limits of the Kristipad village in the Gooty taluk and reported by the subordinates of this department to be within the waterspread of the Royalcheruvu tank and to be liable to submersion when it received a full supply of water, were, with reference to B.P., dated the 15th April 1893, No. 136, transferred to dry and charged with special rates of assessment. In the month of March 1895, certain ryots presented a petition to me, stating that among those fields, survey No. 170 was not liable to submersion and therefore objected to its transfer to dry. Subsequently some other ryots of the same village represented that the marginally-noted numbers, aggregating acres 45·62 and included in the statement of tank-bed lands, were not also liable to submersion.

286, 281, 277, 279, 287, 280, 278, 276, 291, 139, 142, 143, 145 and 301.

2. When I was in Madras in November last, I was informed in the Board's office that wet lands under ryots' occupation, though situated within the waterspreads of tanks and liable to submersion, need not be interfered with, but allowed to remain as wet as per revenue accounts, if they are registered as wet ayacuts under irrigation sources other than those in the waterspread of which they lie.

3. I have ascertained by a reference to the Tahsildar that all the said lands, which were classed as wet in the revenue accounts, are neither irrigated from the Royalcheruvu tank in the bed of which they are situated, nor do they belong to its ayacut, but stand registered as the wet ayacut under, and irrigated from, some small spring channels, totally unconnected with the tank. In the concluding portion of paragraph 2 of B.P., dated the 14th June 1879, No. 1685, it is stated that "where there has been no encroachment but a portion of the ayacut of one tank falls within the waterspread of another tank lower in the chain, the cultivation need not be interfered with unless the Collector sees reason to prevent it." The Tahsildar reports that all these lands had for long been registered as wet in the revenue accounts cultivated with wet crops and irrigated from the spring channels referred to above.

4. I think that no end is served by transferring them to dry against the wishes of the ryots concerned and thus entailing loss on the Government by foregoing the wet rates. Such lands in the waterspreads of tanks as were unoccupied waste were all transferred to the head "poramboke" and there is no likelihood of the ryots giving up these patta fields in question, which they have been cultivating for such a length of time and on which they have always paid wet rates.

5. I therefore beg to be favoured with instructions as to whether, in these circumstances and in the spirit of the Board's order quoted by me in paragraph 3 above, the fields in question as well as others similarly situated in other taluks may be retransferred to wet. If the Board think so, I will correct the accounts accordingly and send an erratum for the needful corrections in the diglott registers concerned.

Resolution—dated 12th February 1896, Mis. No. 730.

The Deputy Commissioner's proposal to retransfer the land to wet is approved.

2. The Board's orders requiring the transfer of tank-bed lands to dry do not apply to lands of the description referred to in the Deputy Commissioner's report. They were intended to apply only to lands which were classed as wet merely from their situation within the waterspread of tanks.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Deputy Commissioner, No. I Party.

RESOLUTION—dated 25th February 1897, No. 165.

The Proceedings read above will be communicated to all Collectors and to the Officers in charge of the Settlement Parties in continuation of B.P., dated 15th April 1893, No. 136.

(True Copies and Extract.)

R. V. Srinivasiar
Secretary.

To all Collectors.
" Officers in charge of Settlement Parties.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Ed. A. F. Ecclestone.

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To the Board of Rev (Rev. Sett.)
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Note

The rule in regard to the classification, at settlement of occupied lands situated in tank beds is that the lands should be classed as "dry" and charged with a special rate of assessment in exceeding the highest dry rate of the district in which they are situated—vide para 15 of G.O. 1178 d. 26.7.78 and para 3 of the B.P. in G.O. 451 d. 25.5. Doubts having arisen as to whether the rule applied to lands [illegible]

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Vide para 2 of B.P. Mis No 730 / 12.2.96 printed in the current under disposal.

Vide para 15 of G.O. 1178 / 26.7.78

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