

Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 633

DATED 4th Feb/1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Transferring to the Financial Department for sanction the proposition statement submitted by the Board of Revenue in accordance with the prescribed scale of pay fixed for the Superintendents of certain posts in the District, Taluk and Headquarter and calling from the Board of Revenue for a general proposition statement in connection with the grading of Superintendents.

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Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From the Secretary to the Commissioner of
Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue

Press No. L+0

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SUBJECT

Submitting to Government a proposition
statement in accordance with the revised
scale of pay fixed for the Superintendents
of certain ports in the Districts of Tanjore and
Madurai Districts, stating that the
Board's opinion that all Superintendents
whose pay is Rs 30 or over, should be
graded with Sub-Inspectors and
Assistant Inspectors and stating
that the information called for re-
garding the supervision of the work
of Superintendents of certain ports
by Salt & Abkari officers will be
submitted when the instructions for
their guidance in Customs
matters are formulated and approved
by Government.

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BOARD OF REVENUE (SEPARATE REVENUE), No. 440, 2ND NOVEMBER 1896.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (SEPARATE REVENUE).

Read—the following G.O., No. 475, Revenue, dated 18th September 1896 :—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), Mis. No. 2824, dated 8th July 1896 :—

Read—again Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1833 (Separate Revenue), dated 2nd May 1896, recording, pending the receipt of reports from other districts, letter from the Collector of Madura submitting the report called for regarding the supervision of low-paid Superintendents of certain ports open to foreign trade.

Read—again also Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 2342 (Separate Revenue), dated 4th June 1896, recording, pending receipt of report from the Collector of Kistna, letter from the Collector of Tanjore reporting that certain ports in the Tanjore district should be open to foreign trade.

Read—endorsement of the Collector of Kistna, dated 16th June 1896, Reference C. No. 2199-Ver. of 1896, submitting report regarding the re-organization of the Customs establishment.

Resolution—Mis. No. 2824, dated 8th July 1896.

In approving the proposals regarding the reorganization of the Customs establishment in its Order, No. 776, Revenue, dated 28th November 1895, the Government remarked in paragraph 8 (1) of the order that the salaries of the Superintendents at the ports given in the margin range from Rs. 15 to Rs. 35 and requested the Board to report whether it is safe to allow

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Tirumalavásal.
Tranquebar.
Vélánganni.
Nagore.
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Kóttaiapatnam.
Kílakarai.
Devipatnam.
Tondi.

foreign trade at these ports unless the work of these low-paid Superintendents is properly supervised.

2. The reports of the Collectors of Kistna, Tanjore and Madura on the question are submitted herewith.

The Sub-Collector of the Kistna district is of opinion that the Nizampatam port should be kept open to foreign trade in order to admit of exports of paddy to Colombo, but the Collector considers that the port may be closed to foreign trade. The Board supports the Collector's recommendation.

The Collector of Tanjore reports that all the eight ports referred to in his district should be open to foreign trade, but from a statement furnished by him, showing the extent of their foreign trade, it is observed that the foreign exports at the ports of Nagore, Ammápatnam and Kóttaiapatnam are trifling, and the Board does not think that imports need be taken into account in considering the question as the consumption of foreign produce by natives is so small per head that no great hardship will be entailed on individuals by making them get their requirements through other ports. These three ports should, in the Board's opinion, be closed to foreign trade.

The Collector of Madura states that the three ports of Tondi, Kílakarai and Devipatnam should remain open to foreign trade, as there is much traffic between these ports and Ceylon. The Board, however, considers that Kílakarai and Tondi should be closed to foreign trade for the reasons stated above.

3. With reference to the remarks of Government regarding the supervision of the work of the Superintendents, the Board begs to state that, Tranquebar and Adirampatnam being also salt factory stations, the Inspector or the Assistant Inspector of Salt, Abkari and Customs Revenue at these stations will be able to exercise supervision over the work of the Superintendents at these ports. Topputturai may now and then be visited by the Inspector of the Védaranniyam Circle. The other ports—Tirumalavásal, Vélánganni and Devipatnam—can be visited, respectively, by the Inspector or Assistant Inspector at the salt factories of Neidavasal, Negapatam and Vattanam.

4. As regards the salaries of the Superintendents, the Board recommends that the pay of the Superintendents at Topputturai and Vélánganni may be raised from Rs. 15 to Rs. 30, as they collect nearly Rs. 10,000 each. Inasmuch as little supervision can be exercised over the work of the Superintendent at Devipatnam, Vattanam, which is the nearest salt factory, being nearly 28 miles from it, the pay of the Superintendent of that port may be raised from Rs. 20 to Rs. 40.

5. With reference to the foregoing proposals a proposition statement is submitted for approval and sanction, and a notification restricting the trade of the ports noted in the margin to coasting trade with customs ports only for publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

Nizampatam.	Kóttaiapatnam.
Nagore.	Kilakarai.
Ammápatnam.	Tondi.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) EDMUND MILLETT,
Assistant Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with proposition statement in duplicate, notification
and Collectors' reports in original (to be returned),
through the Accountant-General.

" Collector of Kistna.
" " of Tanjore.
" " of Madura.

Read—again Official Memorandum, No. 118, dated 10th August 1896.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Board of Revenue to furnish a statement showing the extent of trade and the amount of duty collected at certain ports in the Madura district.

Read—also Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), Routine No. 2487, dated 15th August 1896.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting to Government a statement showing the extent of trade—foreign and coasting—and the amount of duty collected on imports and exports at each of the ports of Tondi, Kilakarai and Devipatnam for the years 1893-94, 1894-95 and 1895-96.

Read—also telegrams from M. R. MOHOMED IBRAHIM SAHIB, R. E. IBRAHIM SAHIB, Tondi, and VENA THENA ANNAMALAI CHETTIAR, Devakota, and petition from the residents and traders in Tondi.

ABSTRACT.—Praying that Tondi may not be closed to foreign trades.

Read—also endorsement of the Government of Madras, Marine Department, dated 17th September 1896, No. 465-E.

ABSTRACT.—Transferring a telegram received from the Government of India communicating copy of a telegram from Sena Vavana Mathu Eburahi Maricar and others, Kilakarai, requesting that the Madras Government may be directed not to decide upon the closure of the port to foreign trade with Ceylon, &c.

Order—No. 475, Revenue, dated 18th September 1896.

Separate Revenue No. 76.

Nizampatam.	Kilakarai.
Ammápatnam.	Tondi.
Kóttaiapatnam.	

The Government does not concur with the views expressed in paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings first read above and is therefore unable to sanction the recommendation therein made for the closure of the marginally-noted ports to foreign trade. Nizampatam affords a very convenient outlet for the produce of the Kistna district, while in the Madura district, Tondi is an important port and Kilakarai and Devipatnam are, the Government believes, complementary ports, used alternately according to the monsoon which prevails. Of the ports in the Tanjore district, the Government considers that Nagore is the only one which can, without inconvenience to the public, be closed. All the other ports in question will accordingly be kept open to foreign trade and a notification closing Nagore alone to such trade will be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. As already observed in paragraph 8 of G.O., No. 776, dated 28th November 1895, the scale of pay allowed to the Superintendents or the Assistant Superintendents of these ports is in some cases low and needs revision with reference to the increased responsibility which now devolves upon them. It will be fixed as under:—

Name of Port.	Pay of Sea Customs Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent.	
	Existing scale.	Scale now sanctioned.
	RS.	RS.
Nizampatam	20	30
Tirumalavásal	30	40
Tranquebar	35	30
Vélánganni	15	30
Topputturai	15	30
Adirampatnam	30	50
Ammápatnam	15	30
Kóttaiapatnam	20	30
Kilakarai	20	30
Devipatnam	30	30
Tondi	20	30
Total	245	360
Net increase		115

The Board of Revenue is requested to submit a revised proposition statement accordingly. It is also requested to report whether in all the cases in which the pay of the Superintendents or Assistant Superintendents is Rs. 30 or over, it may not be desirable to grade them with the Sub-Inspectors of Salt, Abkari and Customs Department and increase the number of Sub-Inspectors accordingly, so as to render it practicable to appoint Sub-Inspectors of higher grade also if necessary as Superintendents of the ports.

3. With reference to the remarks in paragraph 3 of its Proceedings regarding the manner in which the work of the Superintendents of certain ports may be supervised, the Board of Revenue is requested to submit more definite proposals as to how this supervision can be carried out. The report should deal with all the ports now ordered to be kept open to foreign trade.

4. The petitioners will be informed that it has been decided not to close Tondi to foreign trade.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. J. WILSON,
for Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), with enclosures.
Marine Department.
Endorsement to the petitioners (paragraph 4 only), through the Board.

NOTIFICATION.

In modification of the notification published on pages 821 to 823 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 11th December 1883, under section 11 of the Sea Customs Act (VIII of 1878), declaring certain places to be ports for the shipment and landing of goods, His Excellency the Governor in Council hereby declares that Nagore in the Tanjore district shall be a port for the carrying on of coasting trade with Customs ports only, and for no other purpose.

RESOLUTION—No. 440, dated 2nd November 1896.

A revised proposition statement is submitted to Government with reference to paragraph 2 of the Government Order.

2. With reference to the concluding portion of paragraph 2, the Board is of opinion that all Sea Custom Superintendents should be graded; those drawing Rs. 30 and upwards as Sub-Inspectors and those drawing Rs. 125 and upwards as Assistant Inspectors of the Salt, Abkari and Customs Department, Port officers doing the duties of Sea Custom Superintendents being of course excluded. The total annual cost of the sanctioned scale of Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents including the pay of Sayer Superintendents and clerks in charge of Land Customs stations whose pay is Rs. 30 or over, but excluding the pay of the five Port officers referred to above is Rs. 30,780. This amount may be debited to 9. Customs as usual and credit taken under 5. Salt.

3. The information called for in paragraph 3 of the Government Order read above will be submitted when the draft instructions for the guidance of Salt and Abkari officers, which have been called for in paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 776, Revenue, dated 28th November 1895, and regarding which the Board is in correspondence with the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, have been formulated and approved by Government.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) N. S. BRODIE,
Acting Secretary.

(True Copy.) *[Signature]*
Assistant Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with proposition statement in duplicate, through the
Accountant-General.

„ Collector of Kistna.
„ „ of Tanjore.
„ „ of Madura.
Copy to the Collectors of other Maritime Districts.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1896.

Board of Revenue

(Separate Revenue),

MADRAS.

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Proceedings, No. 440, 2nd November 1896.

Submitting to Government a proposition statement in accordance with the revised scale of pay fixed for the Superintendents of certain ports in the Kistna, Tanjore and Madura districts, stating the Board's opinion that all Superintendents, whose pay is Rs. 30 or over, should be graded with Sub-Inspectors and Assistant Inspectors, and stating that the information called for regarding the supervision of the work of Superintendents of certain ports by Salt and Abkari officers will be submitted when the instructions for their guidance in Customs matters are formulated and approved by Government.

Read again C.O. 475
.. also C.O. 61/96

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The proposition statement received with the same of the papers read above, will be transferred to the Financial Department for sanction.

2. With reference to para 2 of its Propo., the Board of Revenue is requested to submit a general proposition statement as suggested by the Accountant-General in para 3 of his forwarding endorsement.

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To
The Fin Dept.
Board of Rev. & Rev.
Accountant-General

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