

Heretofore (1897) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 931

Dated 11 th November

[Dutch Abstract.]

Sanctioning the Board's proposal
for the establishment of a village court
at Rayahmundry with a special munshi
and a bench under Section 6(3) of
Madras Act I of 1889.

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Land Revenue

No. 365-2 Ins.

Dated 28th September 1897.

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SUBJECT.

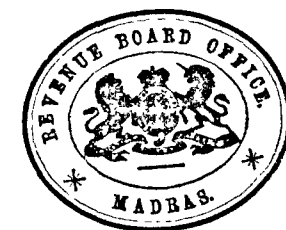
Submitting to Govt. with the
Board's recommendation letter of
the Collector of Godavari proposing
the establishment of a Village
Court at Rafahmundry
a Special Munsiff and a Secy
under Section 6 (3) of Act I of 1907.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue).

N^o 3652 Min dated 28th Sept^r 1897.

Read letter from the Collector of Godavari
Ref. N^o 1869 of '97 dated 23rd August 1897

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The Collector's letter will be submitted for the orders of Government, with the Board's recommendation that under Cl. 3 Sec 6 of Madras Act I of 1889, a village court may be established at Rajahmundry, with a Special Munsiff and a bench.

2. The present munsiff who gets a monthly salary of Rs 12, has a moneygar Rs 8 to assist him, but the Collector points out that the Revenue and Miscellaneous work devolving on them is more than enough for both and that consequently the Civil work has been neglected. The number of suits filed before the village munsiff for the 3 years 1894-1896, was as follows: -

1894	—	87
1895	—	84
1896	—	132

In view of this fact and of the rapidly growing importance of the town, the establishment of a new Village Court appears to be necessary. Moreover, such a step would be in accordance with the policy to encourage resort to such comparatively cheap tribunals.

3. The pay of the new munsiff may be fixed at Rs 10 per mensem, as at Coimbatore, and the charge can be met from savings in the Village Service Fund Budget for the current year.

(True Extract)

Recd
Secretary.

The Secretary to Government R.D.
with Collector's letter and enclosure
in original to be returned.

Date.

The Honble Mr. J. G. M. C. S. E.

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The Board of Revenue (L.R.)
" Judicial Deptt
" Financial Deptt
" Accountant General
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The Honble the Chief Secy for
favor of counter initials

Q.O. The Board's proposal in para 2 of its Proceedings read above is approved. 2. orders as to the publication of a notification under Madras Act I of 1897 will issue in the judicial Department.

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bill.

Note
The collector of the Godavari district represents that the village munsif Papabhimdy is hardly able to cope with his civil work which is far increasing. The number of civil cases filed before him during the last 3 years was as follows:-

year	no of cases
1894	87
1895	84
1896	132

His revenue work is heavy, but

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the proposal and urges also that such a step would be in accordance with the policy to encourage resort to such comparatively cheap tribunals; it further proposes that the pay of the new man may be fixed at Rs 10 per mensem as at Cocanada (which the Collector wrongly gives as Rs 12) and say that the charge can be met from savings in the Village service Fund Budget for the current year.

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2. Board of Revenue recommends

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Village Court.

Sanctioning the Board's proposal for the establishment of a — at Rajahmundry with a special munsif and a bench under section 6 (3) of Madras Act I of 1889, and stating that orders as to the publication of a notification under the Act will issue in the Judicial Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Mis. No. 3652, dated 28th September 1897:—

Read—the following letter from V. A. BRODIE, Esq., Collector of Górávari, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Cocanada, 23rd August 1897, Ref. on C. No. 1869-Ver.:—

I have the honour to state that the town of Rajahmundry is an important one in the district with a population of 33,760. It is practically the centre of the district having river and canal communication with the head-quarter stations of all the delta taluks and road communication with those of other taluks. It is the head-quarters of the District Judge, Sub-Collector and Superintendent of Police and has two colleges and a central jail. The advent of the East Coast Railway has added to its importance. With all its importance it has only one village munsif to look after revenue, civil and criminal duties. He has annually to collect Rs. 1,54,776 in all on account of several taxes, attend to the calls of the several officers stationed in the town and of those that pass through it, and also furnish information to the municipal council of the town whenever called on. He has no doubt an assistant to help him in revenue matters especially collections. But the revenue and miscellaneous work itself is more than enough for the two. The consequence is that the civil work has been neglected till lately. The present munsif who has succeeded to the office recently is an educated

Year.					Number of suits.
1894	...	...	...	...	87
1895	...	...	...	...	84
1896	...	...	...	...	132

man and the number of suits filed has suddenly risen in one year from 84 to 132—*vide* margin. He has already complained that the work is too heavy for him. The Sub-Collector remarks that "the cheapness and simple procedure of this

village court is appreciated and it is very likely that the number of cases will continue to increase as this town is yearly rising in importance," and proposes that a village court with a special munsif and a bench may be established under clause 3 of section 6 of Act I of 1889. I strongly support his proposal as this town is not less important than Cocanada in which one has already been established—*vide* Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1160, dated 9th March 1896, and is working satisfactorily. The pay of the new munsif may be the same as that of the one in Cocanada (Rs. 12 per mensem) in order that it may attract educated persons. A statement is enclosed showing the constitution of the present establishment which should continue as at present. The town of Rajahmundry is a ryotwari one and the pay of the proposed munsif may be met from the Village Service fund, which has a large balance to its credit.

ENCLOSURE.

STATEMENT showing the constitution of the present establishment of Rajahmundry.

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1 Village Munsif	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
1 Monegar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
1 Karnam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
1 Assistant Karnam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
2 Talyars	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
4 Vettians	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
							Total	67

Resolution—Mis. No. 3652, dated 28th September 1897.

The Collector's letter will be submitted for the orders of Government, with the Board's recommendation that under clause 3, section 6, of Madras Act I of 1889, a village court may be established at Rajahmundry, with a special munsif and a bench.

2. The present munsif who gets a monthly salary of Rs. 12 has a monegar on Rs. 8 to assist him, but the Collector points out that the revenue and miscellaneous work devolving on them is more than enough for both, and that consequently the civil work has been neglected. The number of suits filed before the village munsif for the three years 1894—1896 was as follows:—

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1895	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	84
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In view of this fact and of the rapidly growing importance of the town, the establishment of a new village court appears to be necessary. Moreover such a step would be in accordance with the policy to encourage resort to such comparatively cheap tribunals.

3. The pay of the new munsif may be fixed at Rs. 10 *per mensem*, as at Cocanada, and the charge can be met from savings in the Village Service Fund budget for the current year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with Collector's letter and enclosure,
in original, to be returned.

ORDER—No. 931, Revenue, dated 11th November 1897.

Miscellaneous.

The Board's proposal in paragraph 3 of its Proceedings read above is approved.

2. Orders as to the publication of a notification under Madras Act I of 1889 will issue in the Judicial Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue),
with two enclosures.
" the Judicial Department.
" the Financial Department.
" the Accountant-General.

Exd. C. M. Thumbarwamy.