

Revenue (1898) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 202

Dated 6th April 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Sanctioning, with rem. auths, the proposals
of the Collector of Madras for increasing the
temporary establishment under the Special
Deputy Collector & Special Tahsildar
appointed in connection with the extension
of irrigation under the Periyar project.

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Revenue (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 2342.

From

The Board of Revenue
Revenue Settlement
Land Records
Agriculture
No. 1687/Mis.

Order

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SUBJECT.

Submitting for the sanction
of Government proposals
from the collector of Madurai
for increasing the temporary
establishment under the
Special Deputy collector
and Special Tahsildar in
connection with the Periyar
irrigation.

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Statement showing the quantity of work turned out in the Special Deputy Collector's office during the year 1897

Current Registers							Loan Registers			Land Acquisition		Grand total of disposals Columns 2, 4, 6, 10 & 12	Remarks.
Superior officers & Coordinate and Subordinate officers	Miscellaneous petitions		Water applications		Number of applications received during the year 1897		Number of cases in which loans were sanctioned	Number of cases in which applications were rejected	Total number of cases disposed of Columns 8 and 9	Number of cases for which applications were received from the D.P.W.	Number of awards passed		
To of papers received during the year 1897	To disposed of	To of petitions received during 1897	To disposed of	To of applications received during the year 97	To disposed of								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
(1) 1950	(2) 1863	879	(3) 797	2809	(4) 2675	1849	1019	353	(5) 1372	122	(6) 1412	8119	
To of papers marked	To of intermediate disposals		To of intermediate disposals		To of intermediate disposals				To of intermediate disposals			To of intermediate disposals	
1073	937		438		2675				3574			7624	
3023	2800	879	1235	2809	5350	1849	1019	353	4946	122	1412	15743	

(1) This represents New Currents received during the year. Under the disposal number system rules a paper once sent out for report has to be marked against that current when the report is received and there has been several papers of the kind.

(2 & 3) This represents the number of papers finally disposed of. When there have been intermediate disposals in several cases.

(4) This represents the number of applications actually disposed of; under the rules when an application for water is received, it is sent to the Special Executive Engineer who returns it again to this office. It is then sent to the Tahildar.

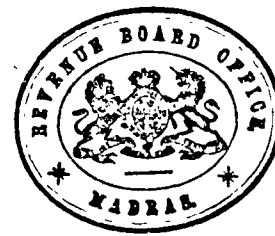
(5) This represents the number of applications actually disposed of. When an application for loan is received, it is first sent to the Revenue Inspector for enquiry and at the same time reference is made to the D.P.W. with regard to the irregularity or otherwise of the land to be improved. There form intermediate disposals and after the replies from the Revenue Inspector D.P.W. are received. They are marked in the register against that application. When they are finally disposed of, three loan orders and a receipt have to be written for each case and intimation has to be given to several persons.

In land acquisition cases, award has to be passed in each individual case after taking statements from the parties. A declaration statement has to be submitted to Collector for approval before pronouncing the award, then award statements & subsidiary statements have to be prepared and lastly vouchers have to be prepared and intimation given to the Registrar.

(Signed) M. Tirumalai Pillai
Dy. Collector.

(True copy) (Signed) M. Tirumalai Pillai
For collector

(True copy) (Signed) M. Tirumalai Pillai
Secretary.

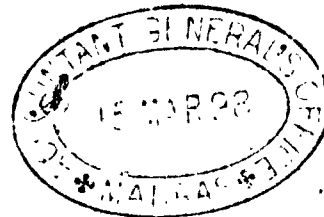


Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

Dated 30th November 1897.

No. 9616 Mis.



READ

the following letter from M. R. Ry
M. Tirumalai Pillai avergal B. A.
Special Deputy Collector Madura
to the Collector of Madura, Dis. No. ¹¹¹/₁₈₉₇
dated 12th March 1897: -

With reference to your Ref on
Current No. ⁸⁸¹/_{Genl} of 1897 dated the
26th ultimo, I have the honor to submit
a proposition statement in the prescribed
form for the establishment required
for 1897-98. My present request is
for a little over the present sanctioned
establishment, as I find that the increase
is absolutely necessary, for the reasons
given

1897

REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Number No. 2

Current No. 2342

given below and I beg that you will be pleased to accord your strong support for the same.

2. The present establishment was recommended in Board's Proceedings No 29 (Revenue Settlement Land Records and Agriculture) dated 22nd February 1896, and the Commissioner remarked that "with reference to the establishment required by the Collector, he and the Commissioner are agreed that the above staff will meet requirements for the present". From my experience of the past one year, I find that the work has increased very much I beg to detail below the nature of the work allotted.

3. The special works I have been entrusted with are:- (1) to deal with applications for loans in Periyar affected villages in the Madura and Melur Taluks, (2) to acquire lands for distributaries (3) to apportion amongst the ryots the waste lands applied for on darkhast (4) to sell the lands available after darkhast (5) to assist the D. P. W. in the distribution

of

of water and instruct the people to change their seasons of cultivation (6) to dispose of in consultation with the D. P. W. applications for water and for transfer of dry into wet and (7) to deal with other miscellaneous Correspondence connected with the special work.

4. As regards loan work, I need not say much as you yourself are fully aware of it. A large number of registers have to be maintained, and even those that are usually maintained in the Treasury have been ordered to be kept by me as a special Department. Several notices have to be sent in duplicate, and the opinion of the Special Executive Engineer has to be taken on the irrigability of the lands and loan orders and often security bonds have to be written in triplicate. Intimation has to be sent to the village Revenue Inspector and Tahsildar and subsequent correspondence for the utilization of the amount advanced has to be conducted. I have

have already received about 1000 applications involving about Rs. 20,000, and I see that applications are just beginning to freely come in. Next year, I think, two lacs of Rupees will be surely spent. There are two Taluks in which loans have to be granted and it is necessary that the records and registers of each Taluk should be kept separate.

5. As regards Land Acquisition work, I beg to submit that the lands required for 94 distributaries have been acquired upto the end of February and there are many more cases in which applications from the D. P. W. are expected. In all cases of land acquisition, the law is very strict and not only have the legal requirements increased but the number of cases are also many. Considering the small channels now laid out. Notices have to be sent in each case and a separate deposition, award and often receipts have to be written. Intimation has to be given to the D. P. W. and other accounts and returns maintained and submitted.

All

All this involves a good deal of clerical work, and I beg to point out that in Godavari and Kistna Districts where the land acquisition is the only additional work, an adequate establishment has been given (vide B. P. No. 380, dated 7th October 1896, Land Revenue).

6. Of the 133 villages in the Madura and Melur Taluks affected by the Periyar, the dakhats of all the villages with the exception of one (Thallakulam) in the Madura Taluk have been disposed of up to the end of February, and orders in most of the villages communicated to the Tahsildars. I cannot adequately express the hard work my establishment had to do under this item.

7. The sales of waste lands are shortly to take place and a very large amount of clerical work will have to be got through. It will also involve the collection of several lacs of Rupees and the keeping of accounts therefor.

8. Items 5 and 6 are very important and require much prompt clerical work.

9. Again, turning to the office correspondence.

it has considerably increased. The enclosed Statement will show the number of papers received and disposed of from May 1896 to the end of February 1897. The disposal number system has been introduced and all the registers have been maintained under that system.

10. Every branch of work I have is important and involves money and great responsibility:-

Loans, Compensation and sale of waste lands &c. I have also to be on circuit for long periods, as also the Tahsildar and the supervision of the office clerical work at the time devolves on my head clerk. I beg therefore to recommend for him Rs 30 per mensem. I propose for the 2nd clerk Rs 20, and pray for two additional clerks on Rs 15 each. The increase I ask for is small but it will be of great help to me for prompt despatch and correct maintenance of accounts and I can attend to out door work better. I beg also to recommend an additional clerk on Rs 20 to my Tahsildar as he cannot manage sales of waste lands with the only one clerk he has at present.

11. There is another thing which I again beg to bring to your kind notice and that

that is, the position of the Special Revenue Inspectors. I recommended that their pay should be raised from Rs 40 to Rs 50, but the Board did not approve of this in spite of your kind support. Of the three Revenue Inspectors, two are working in the Madura Taluk both having their head quarters at Madura and the third Inspector is working in the Inelur Taluk having his head quarters at Inelur. They have to be almost always on circuit and have to travel over a large area, generally 3 ordinary Revenue Inspectors, Girpas. Whenever there is heavy work, they are also called upon to go and work irrespective of the general distribution of work. When there was only one Special Revenue Inspector to assist the Madura Division Deputy Collector in the acquisition of lands alone for the Periyar works, he had been allowed a monthly salary of Rs 50. Now the Special Revenue Inspectors have been entrusted with various duties. They have to measure all the lands marked out by the D.P.W. for distributaries &c and submit draft declaration.

declarations, to subdivide the lands taken up under the Act; to make preliminary enquiries on loan applications and to report on them; to measure and subdivide the lands offered as security when necessary; to subdivide portions of fields assigned on darkhast; to check second crop cultivation and to do all other works connected with the disposal of applications for loans and assignment of lands commanded by the Periyar Project. On account of the special and sustained work, and the distances they have to travel, they have to incur additional expenditure and labour under greater disadvantages than the ordinary Tirka Revenue Inspectors. Considering the responsibilities of their work - loans and compensation I selected permanent first class and good Revenue Inspectors and they have done satisfactory work. I beg therefore to strongly recommend that their pay may be raised to Rs 55 a month.

12. I will be the last man just at present to ask for increase of expenditure; but I find that my establishment is unable to cope with the work however

however they may over work. Though myself and my special Tahsildar assist them in their work and get them additional help, I find it impossible to satisfactorily do the work entrusted to me with my present establishment. I therefore earnestly pray that you will be kindly pleased to support my proposals.

Read ^{also} the following endorsement thereon from the Collector of Madurai
Rou C. No. 881 of 1897, dated 2nd April 1897: -

Submitted to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture Madurai

2. The Special Deputy Collector has given good reasons for strengthening his office. Lately he has only kept up with the work by over working the establishment and obtaining casual assistance wherever he could. The work is now increasing fast

fast.

3. The most pressing work is connected with loans, applications for which are now pouring in freely. The construction of distributaries is proceeding at a very satisfactory rate, but more than half the work of acquisition is still to be done.

The durkhast for waste lands have been disposed of, but the subdivision &c remains to be done and there is heavy work in preparing for the sale of the remaining waste land. There is also much correspondence in connection with applications for and distribution of water, and other miscellaneous work.

4. The work is not only very heavy and very responsible but requires to be dealt with with the utmost promptitude. I therefore beg to recommend that a clerk on Rs 30 and another on Rs 15 may be sanctioned in addition to the present establishment,

of the Special Deputy Collectors office, which consists of one clerk on Rs 20 and one on Rs 15.

5. I also support his recommendation that an additional clerk on Rs 20 may be allowed to the Special Tahsildar on the understanding that he shall not be entertained till the sales commence and render his services necessary.

6. I beg also to bring to notice again the case of Special Revenue Inspectors. I selected good Revenue Inspectors for this important work. Two of them, first class and one, second class drawing Rs 40 and 35 respectively.

They now draw Rs 40, but have much more travelling to do than ordinary Revenue Inspectors. They have to work wherever work calls them over the whole Periyar affected area but if it were possible (as it may be in the future) to assign to each a definite range, such range would be not less than double the size of an ordinary Revenue Inspector's firkha. A Revenue Inspector

Inspector draws travelling allowance when on duty outside his own firkā, and I would urge the advisability of giving an increase of pay to the Special Revenue Inspectors to make up for the cost of increased travelling and loss of travelling allowance. If this is not done I fear I shall have to send them back to their permanent and more remunerative appointments, and replace them by less experienced men. I beg that the Board will be pleased to recommend to Government to reconsider their order communicated in Board's Proceedings No 2726 Miscellaneous, Land Revenue, dated 15 June 1896 and allow a pay of Rs 50.

7. A proposition statement prepared in accordance with the foregoing recommendations is submitted.

Read also letter from the collector of Madura, R.O. No 3326 of 1897, dated 12th November 1897, submitting proposals for the re-entertainment of 3 clerks for one year in the Madura Taluk in connection with Periyar works.

Resolution

Resolution

During the continuance of the existing financial pressure, the Board is extremely reluctant to go up to Government for an increase of the clerical establishment of the Special Deputy collector and Tahsildar, except on the strongest grounds. The advance of loans has ceased for the present, and the total advanced during the year is less than Rs 32,000, according to the Accountant-General's statement or a small fraction of what was anticipated. Sales of waste lands are only just commencing, and on the whole the Board does not find it easy to demonstrate that the existing establishment is at present overburdened.

2. Now that all loan operations have ceased, one or more of the three Special Revenue Inspectors might well be required to help in the disposal of such office work as is immediately pressing. The collector is requested to

to consider whether he cannot contrive to manage with the existing establishment for the rest of the current official year or to show further cause for the increase if he considers it indispensable.

3. The Board regrets that it cannot at present support the proposal to increase the pay of the three Revenue Inspectors, or the strength of the Taluk Establishment as there are no savings in the Budget from which the cost can be met.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. Srinivasian
Secretary.

To
The Collector of Madura.
(True Copy.)

R. V. Srinivasian
Secretary.

Registers to be maintained and records to be prepared in connection with Loans and Land Acquisition.

Loans

1. Registers to be maintained

II A, I, 15, X A, X B, XI, XII A, XII B, XIV A, B, C, XVII A, XVIII A, X and XXII.

2. Preparation of Loan orders and security bonds in triplicate.

3. References to the Registration Department for encumbrance certificate.

4. Intimation to the Registration Department about loan advance.

5. Preparation of monthly and quarterly returns and annual reports.

Land Acquisition

1. Preparation of draft declaration and schedule for publication in the Gazette.

2. Issue of notice under sections

10.
3. Taking statements from the parties

4. Submission of valuation statements for collector's approval.
5. Preparation of award and award statements.
6. Preparation of subsidiary statements for transmission to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
7. Preparation of the return of lands acquired for transmission to the Registration Department.
8. Preparation of half yearly compensation statements I and II.

(signed) M. Thirumalai Pillai
Deputy collector

(True copy)

(Ed) M. Thirumalai Pillai
for Dy. collector.

(True copy)

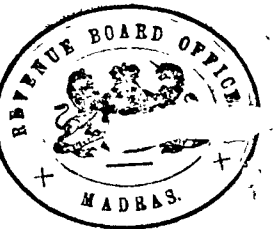
R. V. Srinivasan
Secretary.

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REVENUE SETTLEMENT

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Dated 8th March 1898.
No. 1687 Mis.

* Copy attached

again Board's Proceedings No. 9616 Mis.
dated 30th November 1897.

Read the following:-

Copy of Communication R.C. No. 110/278
dated 1st February 1898 from M.R. Dy.
M. Thirumalai Pillai to Dy. Collector B. S.
Deputy collector on special duty.
Madura to the collector of Madura.

Referring to the correspondence
This office Dis. No. 111 of 97
dated 11th March 97
Collector's R.C. No. 881/3326
of 97 dated 10th December 97
noted in the
margin I regret
to be obliged
to trouble you
again for the increase to the office
establishment of myself and the
special Tahsildar which has been
disallowed

disallowed owing to financial pressure. I beg to assure you that the impossibility of getting on with my work with due expedition with the present inadequate establishment which was originally sanctioned solely to meet the then present requirements, Compels me to make repeated representations on the subject.

2. One of the reasons assigned by the Board for declining to go up to Government for sanction for the additional establishment was that all loan operations have ceased for the present. An allotment of more than 70,000 Rs has now been sanctioned and I have to disburse it in time to the eager applicants who are impatient that the working season is passing away.

3. The Board have asked me to get in one of the three Special Revenue Inspectors to assist in the clerical work of the office, but I respectfully beg to submit that loan payments have been resumed and inspection has to be made of the Periyar irrigated area in about 75 Inam villages

urgently (in addition to other duties) I beg to enclose a statement showing roughly the amount of work that has to be got through by my establishment consisting of 2 clerks and an attender. It takes up all the time of a clerk to register and despatch all papers under the Disposal Number System and the attender helps him in the matter of petitions and water-rate applications which are received in hundreds. The attender also keeps the forms and stationery articles. There is thus only the Head Clerk who looks after the correspondence, & air Copying work, Periodical returns and the mass of scriptory work connected with loans and land acquisition. I detail below the registers to be maintained and the records to be prepared in connection with these two branches of work for easy reference.

5. The sale of waste lands fully occupies the simultaneous time and

and attention of not less than three hands at the time of sale. The reports to the collector and communications to the Taluk and purchasers are more than enough for a clerk.

6. You were kind enough to lend me temporarily the services of one of your clerks usually deputed to work under the Assistant collector when there is one, and one of the two shroffs of the Tirumangalam Taluk. Even with their assistance, I regret to say that I have not been able to clear off all arrears. The former has already been taken away, as an Assistant collector is posted to the District and the shroff should be sent in a few days as the kist collections commence in February. I therefore submit that it will be impossible to get on in any satisfactory way without the additional hands already asked for and request that you will be kindly pleased to obtain the very early sanction of Government

Government for the addition to the number and salaries of the office establishment and of the Special Revenue Inspectors already applied for.

Dis No 736 of 1898.

Submitted to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture Madras, with reference to para 2 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 9616 of date 30th November 97.

2. I consider that the following increase of establishment already recommended by Mr. J. Twigg is urgently required. The pay of the Special Deputy collector's Head clerk should be raised from Rs 20 to Rs 30 considering the amount of responsibility devolving on him (vide para 10 of the Special Deputy collector's letter No 111, dated 12th March 97, submitted with this office Roc No 881 dated 2nd April 1897) and

Two

additional clerks on Rs 15 each should
a be sanctioned for the Special Deputy
b collector's office for one year, and
c one additional hand on Rs 15
d should be sanctioned for the same
e period for the Special Tahsildar from
f the date on which he is authorised
g to conduct sales.

3. I also consider that the pay of the
three Special Revenue Inspectors should
be raised from Rs 40 to Rs 50 for the
reasons stated in para 11 of the
Special Deputy collector's letter dated
12th March 1897, quoted above and for
the reason that they have taken much
trouble in the sale of the Government
assessed waste lands by way of
procuring bidders and preventing
combination among the bidders, a practice
which is very common in the villages in
these parts. The small addition to their
pay will be an incentive to them to
take more interest in the forthcoming
sales of waste lands and will result
in increasing the sale proceeds of these
lands.

I beg also that the Board will be
pleased to accord its sanction for the
entertainment

entertainment of the additional
est. establishment required, from the 1st
March next, in anticipation of the
sanction of Government and to obtain
the early sanction of Government for
the increase of pay to the existing establish-
ment. No provision need be made
for these in the current budget as
the pay of the additional establishment
for March will not be drawn in the
current official year.

5. The usual proposition statement
in duplicate is enclosed.

Madura collector's office } (sd) J. G. D. Partridge
Dated Madura 24th February '98 } Ag. Collector

Refutation

In his letter disposed of in Board's
Proceedings No 9616, dated 30th November
1897, read above, the collector of Madura
reported that the existing scale of
establishment for the Periyar Deputy
collector and Tahsildar was fixed
in para 12 of Board's Proceedings No 2
dated 22nd February 1896, with reference to
the then estimated requirements, but
that

that the work had since increased in all directions and the establishment was unable to cope with it. He therefore recommended that 3 new clerks on an aggregate salary of Rupees 65 per mensem might be sanctioned for those officers. The collector also recommended that the pay of the 3 Revenue Inspectors should be raised from Rupees 40 to 50 per mensem. In its order No 2241 Hiss, dated 9th June 1896, Government had expressed concurrence in the Board's view that it was unnecessary to increase the pay of these officers, but the collector requested a reconsideration of the order pointing out that while the ordinary Revenue Inspectors have to move only within their firkas, the Special Revenue Inspectors "have to go wherever work calls them, over the whole Briyar affected area", thus entailing on them heavier travelling expenses than in the case of ordinary Revenue Inspectors, and that it was not possible, to assign a definite range to each Inspector.

1. In view of the financial pressure, the Board was unwilling to apply to Government for an increase of the clerical establishment, and as the advance

advance of loans had ceased for the time, it suggested that one or more of the Special Revenue Inspectors might be employed to help in such office work as might be pressing. 3. The Special Deputy Collector states that loans work has now been resumed, that a large sum has been allotted and the amount has to be disbursed during the working season, that the Revenue Inspectors have also to make inspection in about 75 Suam villages and that none of them can therefore be employed on office work. It would appear that one of the clerks in the collector's office who had been temporarily lent to the Special Deputy Collector has been withdrawn and a shroff in the Taluk office who had been similarly lent has to be sent away. The collector therefore considers that it is absolutely necessary to entertain for a period of one year, 2 additional clerks on Rupees 15 in the Special Deputy Collector's office, and 1 clerk on Rupees 15 for the same period in

in the Special Tahsildar's office from the date on which sales of waste lands commence. The collector also thinks that the pay of the special Deputy collector's head clerk should be raised from Rupees 20 to 30, in view of the fact that both the Special Deputy collector and the Tahsildar have to be on circuit for long periods and the supervision of the office work devolves on the head clerk. In regard to Revenue Inspectors, the collector again urges that their pay should be raised to Rupees 50 each. In addition to the reasons previously given, he states that they have taken much trouble in procuring bidders and in preventing combination among bidders in the recent sales of waste lands and the small addition proposed to their pay will be an incentive to them to take more interest in the forthcoming sales.

4. In the circumstances described above, the Board recommends that the collector's proposals may be sanctioned. The collector requests permission to entertain the additional establishment at once, in anticipation of Government sanction. The Board would

suggest that if Government sanctions the increased establishment, the sanction may be communicated to him by wire.

5. The necessary funds have been provided in the Budget estimates for 1898-99 vide appendix 4 to Board's Proceedings 336, dated 12th October 1897, Land Revenue items 40 and 41.

6. The usual proposition statement is submitted in duplicate.

(True Copy and Extract.)

J. V. Smith
Secretary

To
The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
with proposition statement, in duplicate and copy of Board's Proceedings 9616 dated 30th November 1897 through the Accountant-General copy to the collector of Madurai.

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The necessity for providing
additional aid, & the ad-
visability in the interests of
the Revenue of ensuring prompt
hire & good work are fully
made out. It is shown that
the quarterly reports of the
Sp. Sup. Commr for the first
& second quarters of 97/98
that the estate is working well
For some time a clerk
a shroff for the regular
estate accounts, but they
have had to be withdrawn.
The Sp. Commr para 12 of B.P. A.
already has in 3 of 98.
one clerk at Rs 20 & one at
Rs 15. It is proposed that
Commr that he should have
one at Rs 30 & one at
Rs 15, but I agree with the
Secy that he ought to have
one at Rs 30 & one at Rs 20
& two at Rs 15. For the
Tahsildar, who has one
clerk at Rs 15, the Commr
proposes two at Rs 15. The
Secy thinks one of them should
get Rs 20, but I think Rs 15 will
be enough.

It is also proposed that
the 3 Rev. Ins. should be on

Mad. Rev. Ins. 2342 of
B.P. (R.Y.) No 1687 of 8.3.98
For orders.

With the a-
current, the Board of Re-
submits for sanction cert-
proposals of the Collect-
Madura for strengthening
the establishments allow-
the Special Deputy Col-
and the Tahsildar, ap-
in view of facilitating the
sim of irrigation under
Periyar Project.

In G.O. No 123 dated
19th March 1896, in which
appointments of these
Officers was sanctioned
were allowed, besides
Inspectors at Rs 40 each
3 peons for these at Rs 7
following office esta-
For the Deputy Collec-

one clerk
one clerk
3 peons

For the Tahsildar

one clerk
2 peons

In April 1896, the Collector proposed

(1) to raise the pay of the Revenue Inspectors from Rs. 40 to Rs. 55.

(2) to give the Dy. Collector an attendant on Rs. 8 a masalji on Rs. 6 a sweeper on Rs. 6

(3) to allow the Tahsildar a masalji on Rs. 6.

The Board of Revenue, however, did not deem it necessary to raise the pay of the Revenue Inspectors nor to allow a sweeper on Rs. 6 in addition to a masalji on the same pay. The Govt. concurred in the Board's view and accordingly an attendant and a masalji were added to the Dy. Collector's office, and a masalji, to the Tahsildar's office.

In April 1897, the Collector again urged that the existing establishment was unable to cope with the work

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in G.O. No 2241
9.6.96

R. 40 and Rs. 50 each. Two of them are 1st C. Rev. Inspectors and two regular sub. Dy. Rs. 40. Considering the extra travelling they have to do (without allowances), the proper way in which they have to deal with their work, & the importance of giving them a proper provision among the people, especially now that the rates are so pressing I don't think Rs. 50 is too much.

JG.
30/3/98

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B.P. 9616 of 30.11.97.
in the current.

work as it had enormously increased, on account of the great of loans, the disposal of darkhasts, the sale of wa. lands, the acquisition of land for distributaries &c. He therefore recommended that the Deputy Collector should be given two additional clerks on Rs. 30 and Rs. 15 respectively, & that the Tahsildar should be allowed an additional clerk on Rs. 20. At the same time, the Collector also urged that the pay of the Special Revenue Inspectors should be raised from Rs. 40 to Rs. 50 on the ground that they have much more travelling than ordinary Revenue Inspectors who draw travelling allowance when on duty outside their own fids. The Board of Revenue, however, in its Proceedings dated 30. Nov. 1897, the 2616, expressed extreme reluctance to go up to Govt. at a time of financial pressure, for an increase of clerical

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the existing establishment
was then overburdened.
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Board of Revenue suggested
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diately pressing and it
asked the Collector to consider
if he could not manage
with the existing establish-
ment for the rest of the
current official year (1897-98).
or to show further cause
for the increase if he con-
sidered it necessary.
The Collector ^{has again} now comes up
again saying that the strengthen-
ing of the establishment
is absolutely necessary
and is also urgently required.
It is stated that the loan

He just asked for 1 on R 30 &
1 on R 15 for the DC
& 1 on R 20 for the Tahsildar

Hm.
If this represents the clerk on
R 30 originally asked for, I
w^d allow the increase of pay
& add to his office clerk on R 20
& 1 on R 15 tho he asks for only
2 on R 15 each. A R 15 clerk is

operations ~~having~~ ^{have} been re-
sumed and an allotment
of Rs. 70,000 having been set
that the amount has to be disbursed
during the working season, &
the Revenue Inspectors can
not be employed on office
work, and that ^{the} extra assist-
ance given by the Collector ^{for some} for
the regular ~~set~~ permanent
establishment of the District
had to be withdrawn.
The Collector therefore ~~has~~
~~recommended~~ urges that it is
absolutely necessary to
entertain for one year, —
two additional clerks on Rs 15
in the Deputy Collector's office,
and one clerk on Rs 15 for the
same period in the Special
Tahsildar's office. He
also considers that the pay
of the Head Clerk of the Tahsildar's
Deputy Collector's office
should be raised from Rs 20
to Rs 30 on the ground that
the supervision of the office
clerical work devolves on
him when the Dy. Deputy

Collector has to be on circuit for long periods. As regards the special Revenue Inspectors, the Collector again represents that their pay should be raised to Rs. 50. He says that they have taken much trouble in the sale of Govt assessed waste lands by procuring bidders and preventing combination among the bidders - a practice which is very common in the villages in those parts, and that the small addition to their pay would be an incentive to them to take more interest in the forthcoming sales of waste lands and will result in increasing the sale proceeds of these lands.

The Board of Revenue has recommended the Collector's proposals for the sanction of Govt. and suggests that if they are sanctioned the order may be communicated to the

as much use, & one of the two addl men to be I think Rs 20.

I wd also be desirous to put the addl clerk in the Taluk as Rs 20, if the work is to be properly done.

I don't think Govt. can longer understand the demand for addl aid
S/H
29/8/88

The Rev. Insps seem infrequently paid on Rs 50, & in annual times are too hard

S/H
they are only paid Rs 40

Existing scale

Deputy Collector	Rs 30
Head Clerk	20
Clerk	15
Attendant	8
3 peons	21
Munsif	6
Total	70
Rs.	840

Talukdar's office

Talukdar	Rs 150
Clerk	15
2 peons	14
Munsif	6
3 Rev Insps	120
3 peons	21
Total	326
Rs.	3912

Proposed scale

Head Clerk	Rs 30
Clerk	Rs 15
Clerk	Rs 15
Clerk	Rs 15
Attendant	8
3 peons	21
Munsif	6
Total	110
Rs.	1320

Talukdar's office

Talukdar	Rs 150
Clerk	15
Clerk	15
2 peons	14
Munsif	6
3 Rev Insps	150
3 peons	21
Total	371
Rs.	4452

Total proposed increase per year

the Collector by wire. Orders are requested as to whether the Board's recommendation may be approved. It is thought that the increased establishment which the Collector has been pressing so strongly and repeatedly, need not be grudged, in view of the fact that the sales of the waste lands have already fetched and are expected to bring in large sums.

28/8/88

Office

It then says

provision for this
The necessary provision has been made in the Budget vide items 40 & 41 of Appx F to R.P. 336 & 12 Oct 97 in G.O. Rev 1039 & 11 Dec 97 Page 57 Flag X.

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See marginal note

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Irregular

Read C. No. 2342 of 18.
B. P. (R. F.) No 1687 of 8.3.98

Pres.
G. O. No. 202 of 6th April 1898.
Consider

The Govt observes
that the necessity for strengthening the establishments of the Special Deputy Collector and the Tahsildar appointed in connection with the extension of irrigation under the Periyar Project has been fully made out.

2. The Collector's proposals which are recommended by the Board of Revenue will be approved and sanctioned, with however be slightly modified. The sanction that of clerk in and sanction will be Rs 20 p.m. should be substituted for one of the three additional clerks. Add clerk on Rs 15 p.m. proposed one on Rs 30 and one for the Collector's establishment for on Rs 15 for the Deputy Collector's office, and one on Rs 15 for the Tahsildar's office, and also to the proposed increase of Rs 1000 per annum to the pay of the Special Revenue Inspector.

To the Financial Dept
for counter-initials.
24/4/98

11.
Noted
Just received from the
Principal Secretary to the Govt.
The original notes
connected with the
and the Madras
24/4/98

Amended

Statement submitted by
the Collector will ~~be~~^{be}
amended ~~and~~^{and} transferred
to the Financial Deptt.

3. The following telegram
will be despatched to
the Collector of Madura:

Board's Proceedings
1687, 8th March 1898.

Tel. Despatch
7.4.98.

Proposals approved
and sanctioned subject
to substitution one
twenty Rupees clerk
for one ~~of~~^{at} fifteen
Rupees clerk proposed
for by Collector.

By Alabi.

(from orders)
All
31/3/98 8/4/98

to increase the Revenue
by in the Government

MA 5.4.98

To the Board of Res (R.Y.)

To the Collector of Madura.

To the Financial Deptt.

60/95
with proposition
Statement.

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31/3/98

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G.O., No. 202, 6th April 1898.

APRIL.

Extension of Irrigation under the Periyar Project.

Sanctioning, with remarks, the proposals of the Collector of Madura for increasing the temporary establishment under the Special Deputy Collector and Special Tahsildar appointed in connection with the —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), Mis. No. 1687, dated 8th March 1898:—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), Mis. No. 9616, dated 30th November 1897:—

Read—the following letter from M.R.Ry. M. TIRUMALAI PILLAI Avargal, B.A., Special Deputy Collector, Madura, to the Collector of Madura, dated 12th March 1897, Dis. No. 111:—

With reference to your Ref. on Cur. No. 881-Genl. of 1897, dated the 26th ultimo, I have the honour to submit a proposition statement in the prescribed form for the establishment required for 1897-98. My present request is for a little over the present sanctioned establishment, as I find that the increase is absolutely necessary, for the reasons given below, and I beg that you will be pleased to accord your strong support for the same.

2. The present establishment was recommended in Board's Proceedings, No. 29 (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 22nd February 1896, and the Commissioner remarked that "with reference to the establishment required by the Collector, he and the Commissioner are agreed that the above staff will meet requirements for the present." From my experience of the past one year, I find that the work has increased very much. I beg to detail below the nature of the work allotted.

3. The special works I have been entrusted with are: (1) to deal with applications for loans in Periyár affected villages in the Madura and Méléur taluks; (2) to acquire lands for distributaries; (3) to apportion amongst the ryots the waste lands applied for on darkhast; (4) to sell the lands available after darkhast; (5) to assist the Public Works Department in the distribution of water and instruct the people to change their seasons of cultivation; (6) to dispose of, in consultation with the Public Works Department, applications for water and for transfer of dry into wet; and (7) to deal with other miscellaneous correspondence connected with the special work.

4. As regards loan work, I need not say much as you yourself are fully aware of it. A large number of registers have to be maintained, and even those that are usually maintained in the treasury have been ordered to be kept by me as a special department. Several notices have to be sent in duplicate, and the opinion of the Special Executive Engineer has to be taken on the irrigability of the lands, and loan orders and often security bonds have to be written in triplicate. Intimation has to be sent to the village Revenue Inspector and Tahsildar and subsequent correspondence for the utilization of the amount advanced has to be conducted. I have already received about 1,000 applications involving about Rs. 1,20,000, and I see that applications are just beginning to freely come in. Next year, I think, two lakhs of rupees will be surely spent. There are two taluks in which loans have to be granted, and it is necessary that the records and registers of each taluk should be kept separate.

5. As regards land acquisition work, I beg to submit that the lands required for 94 distributaries have been acquired up to the end of February and there are many more cases in which applications from the Public Works Department are expected. In all cases of land acquisition, the law is very strict and not only have the legal requirements increased but the number of cases are also many, considering the small channels now laid out. Notices have to be sent in each case and a separate deposition, award and often receipts have to be written. Intimation has to be given to the Public Works Department and other accounts and returns maintained and submitted.

All this involves a good deal of clerical work, and I beg to point out that in Górávari and Kistna districts, where the land acquisition is the only additional work, an adequate establishment has been given (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 380, Land Revenue, dated 7th October 1896).

6. Of the 133 villages in the Madura and Méléur taluks affected by the Periyár, the darkhasts of all the villages with the exception of one (Thallakulam) in the Madura taluk have been disposed of up to the end of February and orders in most of the villages communicated to the Tahsildars. I cannot adequately express the hard work my establishment had to do under this item.

7. The sales of waste lands are shortly to take place and a very large amount of clerical work will have to be got through. It will also involve the collection of several lakhs of rupees and the keeping of accounts therefor.

8. Items 5 and 6 are very important and require much prompt clerical work.

9. Again, turning to the office correspondence, it has considerably increased. The enclosed statement will show the number of papers received and disposed of from May 1896 to the end of February 1897. The disposal number system has been introduced and all the registers have been maintained under that system.

10. Every branch of work I have is important and involves money and great responsibility:—loans, compensation and sale of waste lands, &c. I have also to be on circuit for long periods, as also the Tahsildar, and the supervision of the office clerical work at the time devolves on my head clerk. I beg therefore to recommend for him Rs. 30 per mensem. I propose for the second clerk Rs. 20, and pray for two additional clerks on Rs. 15 each. The increase I ask for is small, but it will be of great help to me for prompt despatch and correct maintenance of accounts and I can attend to out-door work better. I beg also to recommend an additional clerk on Rs. 20 to my Tahsildar as he cannot manage sales of waste lands with the only one clerk he has at present.

11. There is another thing which I again beg to bring to your kind notice and that is, the position of the special Revenue Inspectors. I recommended that their pay should be raised from Rs. 40 to Rs. 55, but the Board did not approve of this in spite of your kind support. Of the three Revenue Inspectors, two are working in the Madura taluk—both having their head-quarters at Madura—and the third Inspector is working in the Méléur taluk having his head-quarters at Méléur. They have to be almost always on circuit and have to travel over a large area, generally three ordinary Revenue Inspectors' firkas. Whenever there is heavy work, they are also called upon to go and work irrespective of the general distribution of work. When there was only one Special Revenue Inspector to assist the Madura Division Deputy Collector in the acquisition of lands alone for the Periyár works, he had been allowed a monthly salary of Rs. 55. Now the Special Revenue Inspectors have been entrusted with various duties. They have to measure all the lands marked out by the Public Works Department for distributaries, &c., and submit draft declarations; to sub-divide the lands taken up under the Act; to make preliminary enquiries on loan applications and to report on them; to measure and sub-divide the lands offered as security when necessary; to sub-divide portions of fields assigned on darkhast; to check second crop cultivation and to do all other works connected with the disposal of applications for loans and assignment of lands commanded by the Periyár project. On account of the special and sustained work, and the distances they have to travel, they have to incur additional expenditure and labour under greater disadvantages than the ordinary firka Revenue Inspectors. Considering the responsibilities of their work—loans and compensation—I selected permanent first class and good Revenue Inspectors and they have done satisfactory work. I beg, therefore, to strongly recommend that their pay may be raised to Rs. 55 a month.

12. I will be the last man just at present to ask for increase of expenditure; but I find that my establishment is unable to cope with the work, however, they may overwork. Though myself and my Special Tahsildar assist them in their work and get them additional help, I find it impossible to satisfactorily do the work entrusted to me with my present establishment. I, therefore, earnestly pray that you will be kindly pleased to support my proposals.

Endorsement of the Collector of Madura, thereon dated 2nd April 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 881-Genl.

Submitted to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, Madras.

2. The Special Deputy Collector has given good reasons for strengthening his office. Lately he has only kept up with the work by overworking the establishment and obtaining casual assistance wherever he could. The work is now increasing fast.

3. The most pressing work is connected with loans, applications for which are now pouring in freely. The construction of distributaries is proceeding at a very satisfactory rate, but more than half the work of acquisition is still to be done. The darkhasts for waste lands have been disposed of, but the sub-division, &c., remains to be done and there is heavy work in preparing for the sale of the remaining waste land. There is also much correspondence in connection with applications for, and distribution of water, and other miscellaneous work.

4. The work is not only very heavy and very responsible, but requires to be dealt with with the utmost promptitude. I, therefore, beg to recommend that a clerk on Rs. 30 and another on Rs. 15 may be sanctioned in addition to the present establishment of the Special Deputy Collector's office, which consists of one clerk on Rs. 20 and one on Rs. 15.

5. I also support his recommendation that an additional clerk on Rs. 20 may be allowed to the Special Tahsildar on the understanding that he shall not be entertained till the sales commence and render his services necessary.

6. I beg also to bring to notice again the case of Special Revenue Inspectors. I selected good Revenue Inspectors for this important work, two of them first class and one second class, drawing Rs. 40 and Rs. 35, respectively. They now draw Rs. 40 but have much more travelling to do than ordinary Revenue Inspectors. They have to work wherever work calls them over the whole Periyár-affected area, but if it were possible (as it may be in the future) to assign to each a definite range, such range would be not less than double the size of an ordinary Revenue Inspector's firka. A Revenue Inspector draws travelling allowance when on duty outside his own firka, and I would urge the advisability of giving an increase of pay to the Special Revenue Inspectors to make up for the cost of increased travelling, and loss of travelling allowance. If this is not done, I fear, I shall have to send them back to their permanent and more remunerative appointments, and replace them by less experienced men. I beg that the Board will be pleased to recommend to Government to reconsider their order communicated in Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 2726, Land Revenue, dated 15th June 1896, and allow a pay of Rs. 50.

7. A proposition statement prepared in accordance with the foregoing recommendations is submitted.

Read—also letter from the Collector of Madura, dated 12th November 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 3326-Genl.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting proposals for the re-entertainment of three clerks for one year in the Madura taluk in connection with Periyár works.

Resolution—Mis. No. 9616, dated 30th November 1897.

During the continuance of the existing financial pressure, the Board is extremely reluctant to go up to Government for an increase of the clerical establishment of the Special Deputy Collector and Tahsildar except on the strongest grounds. The advance of loans has ceased for the present, and the total advanced during the year is less than Rs. 32,000 according to the Accountant-General's statement, or a small

fraction of what was anticipated. Sales of waste lands are only just commencing, and, on the whole, the Board does not find it easy to demonstrate that the existing establishment is at present over-burdened.

2. Now that all loan operations have ceased, one or more of the three special Revenue Inspectors might well be required to help in the disposal of such office work as is immediately pressing. The Collector is requested to consider whether he cannot contrive to manage with the existing establishment for the rest of the current official year or to show further cause for the increase if he considers it indispensable.

3. The Board regrets that it cannot at present support the proposal to increase the pay of the three Revenue Inspectors, or the strength of the taluk establishment as there are no savings in the budget from which the cost can be met.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASAR,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Madura.

Read—the following letter from M.R.Ry. M. TIRUMALAI PILLAI Avargal, B.A., Deputy Collector on Special Duty, Madura, to the Collector of Madura, dated 1st February 1898, R.C. No. 110.

Referring to the correspondence noted in the margin, I regret to be obliged to trouble you again for the increase to the office establishment of myself and the special Tahsildar which has been disallowed owing to financial pressure. I beg to assure you that the impossibility of getting on with my work with due expedition with the present inadequate establishment which was originally sanctioned solely to meet the then *present* requirements, compels me to make repeated representations on the subject.

2. One of the reasons assigned by the Board for declining to go up to Government for sanction for the additional establishment was that all loan operations have ceased for the present. An allotment of more than 70,000 rupees has now been sanctioned, and I have to disburse it in time to the eager applicants who are impatient that the working season is passing away.

3. The Board have asked me to get in one of the three special Revenue Inspectors to assist in the clerical work of the office, but I respectfully beg to submit that loan payments have been resumed and inspection has to be made of the Periyar irrigated area in about 75 inam villages urgently (in addition to other duties). I beg to enclose a statement showing roughly the amount of work that has to be got through by my establishment consisting of two clerks and an attender.

4. It takes up all the time of a clerk to register and despatch all papers under the Disposal Number System, and the attender helps him in the matter of petitions and water-rate applications which are received in hundreds. The attender also keeps the forms and stationery articles. There is thus only the head clerk left to look after the correspondence, fair copying work, periodical returns and the mass of scriptory work connected with loans and land acquisition. I detail below the registers to be maintained and the records to be prepared in connection with these two branches of work for easy reference.

5. The sale of waste lands fully occupies the simultaneous time and attention of not less than three hands at the time of sale. The reports to the Collector and communications to the taluk and purchasers are more than enough for a clerk.

5. The necessary funds have been provided in the budget estimates for 1898-99—*vide* appendix F to Board's Proceedings, No. 336, dated 12th October 1897, Land Revenue, items 40 and 41.

6. The usual proposition statement is submitted in duplicate.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with proposition statement, in duplicate, and copy of Board's
Proceedings, No. 9616, dated 30th November 1897,
through the Accountant-General.

Copy to the Collector of Madura.

ORDER—No. 202, Revenue, dated 6th April 1898.

Irrigation No. 4.

The Government considers that the necessity for strengthening the establishments of the Special Deputy Collector and the Tahsildar appointed in connection with the extension of irrigation under the Periyár project has been fully made out.

The Collector's proposals, which are recommended by the Board of Revenue, are approved and sanctioned, with the exception that a clerk on Rs. 20 per mensem should be substituted for one of the additional clerks on Rs. 15 per mensem proposed for the Deputy Collector's establishment.

2. The proposition statement submitted by the Collector will be amended and transferred to the Financial Department.

3. The following telegram will be despatched to the Collector of Madura :—

"Board's Proceedings, No. 1687, dated 8th March 1898. Proposals approved and sanctioned subject to substitution one twenty rupees clerk for one of additional fifteen rupees clerks proposed for Deputy Collector."

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement).

„ the Collector of Madura.

„ the Financial Department, with proposition statement.

Exd. S. J. Pereira.

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