

Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 2184

DATED 20th May

[Despatch Abstract.]

Recommending letter from the Registrar,
High Court of Judicature, Madras replying to G.O.
No. 432
15-3-98 Judicial regarding the use of a special
kind of paper manufactured by the Titaghur
Paper Mills Co. Ltd., Calcutta.

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From

The Registrar,
High Court of Judicature,
MADRAS.

Order

Endorsement No. 1007 of 27 April 1898. No.
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Dated 18th April 1898.

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SUBJECT.

Replying to G.O., No. 422, Judicial,
dated 15th March 1898, regarding the
use of a special kind of paper manu-
factured by the Titachur Paper Mills
Co., (Limited), Calcutta.

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Dis. No.

High Court of Judicature,
Madras, 18th April 1898.

From

A. L. Hannay, Esquire,

Registrar of the High Court of Judicature,

MADRAS.

To

The Honourable Mr. A. T. Arundel,

Chief Secretary to the Government of

MADRAS.

Honourable Sir,

With reference to G.O., No. 438, Judicial, dated 15th March 1898, forwarding Proceedings of the Revenue Department No. 120, dated 1st March 1898, transmitting to the High Court with reference to paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 322, Revenue, dated 14th May 1897 (communicated with G.O., No. 828, Judicial, dated 14th June 1897) the replies of the other Governments regarding the use of a special kind of paper manufactured by the Titaghur Paper Mills Co., (Limited) Calcutta, I am directed to state that the Honourable the Judges see no reason to reconsider the opinion expressed in letter, Dis. No. 629, dated 25th September 1896. In their opinion if parties are not at liberty to use any suitable paper for writing their complaints, petitions &c., but must use only the one kind of paper made and supplied by a particular Paper Mill, that Paper Mill has the monopoly of the supply. If the paper is, however, to be considered as supplied by Government and only such paper may be used then it is the Government who have the monopoly. The Honourable the Judges further fail to see what benefit the parties can ^{derive} ~~derive~~ when they would have to pay 3 pies for each

sheet of paper they use, while they can now get good enough paper at much less expense.

I have the honour to be,
Honourable Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

A. L. Hannay
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Registrar.

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From

The Govt of Punjab

Order

No. 244

Dated 26th Feb 1897

Received 3rd March 1897

Registered 4th March 1897

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Abstract

SUBJECT.

Forwarding Copies of the
papers relative to the
introduction & working of
the system of water mark
paper used for petitions
and plaints.

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[Form No. 1 L.]

Chief Court Circular Orders, Volume III.

Section XVII.- Paper supplied for ~~~~
Judicial Petitions and Copies.

Paper of a
standard and
pattern to be
supplied for
Judicial petitions
and other docu-
ments.

The annexed rules for regulating and
the supply by the Stationery Depot at
Calcutta of paper of a standard pattern
for judicial petitions and copies of
judicial documents, the custody and
sale of such paper, and the credit
of the sale proceeds to Government,
have been issued for information
and guidance.

No other
description of
paper to be used.

Copy of this paper
may be used for
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2. No other description of paper
shall be used for copies of documents
(whether in English or in Vernacular)
supplied to private parties by judicial
offices, and all licensed Petition
writers, in whatever Court they may
practise, should also be required to
use this paper only.

Price of paper - 3.
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to be realised.

In the case of copies supplied

receipts

from the fees charged under rule VII, Volume I, Rules and Orders, No. XXIII.

In the case of copies supplied by Government free of cost, no charge will be made for the paper: but the paper used for such copies must be duly accounted for in the annual statement prescribed by rule VIII.

4. Deputy Commissioners are requested to carefully supervise the working of the arrangements in order to prevent vendors of the paper demanding more than the fixed price of two pias per sheet from the public.

Only authorised price to be charged to the public.

2 pias per sheet.

Rules.

I. Paper required for judicial petitions and copies of judicial documents, i.e., the plaint, written statement of defendant, confessions of judgment, compromise

and written statements of respondents, and all copies of judicial documents filed as evidence in support or rebuttal of the suit or appeal, shall be obtained from the Stationery Depot at Calcutta by indent.

II. Requisitions for the paper shall be in the form prescribed for indents for stationery, and shall be submitted direct to the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, by the Deputy Commissioners not later than the 15th November in each year. The requisitions shall provide for the requirements of all the Courts situate in the district (including Divisional and Small Cause Courts, and in the case of the Lahore District, the Chief Court), and shall show the amount of paper required for use during the following financial year. Indenting officers should

to meet the necessities of the service.
 frequent supplementary indents.

III. Expenses of carriage will be paid by the indenting officer out of his grant for judicial contingencies.

IV. The rules which regulate the custody of stamps and stamp paper shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the custody of the paper.

V. The paper shall be sold to licensed vendors of Court-fee stamps at Rs. 5, a ream for cash, for retail to the public at the uniform rate of two pias per sheet. Ordinarily, not less than a quarter of ream at a time will be sold to a licensed vendor.

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 40 x 105
 70 x 8 ream

in a week of

VI. The paper is not intended to supplement the ordinary supply of stationery; and its quality is such that both sides may be written upon.

VII. On receipt of the paper from

from Calcutta, or before issue to vendors, the paper should be examined; and departures from the usual standard should be reported to the Chief Court.
 VIII. The receipts from the sale of the paper, calculated at Rs. 5, a ream, will be credited in the Treasury accounts, to a distinct sub-head under 'Stamps', the commission of eight annas a ream allowed to licensed vendors being debited *per contra* to the same head. At the close of each financial year a statement of the operations of the year shall be submitted to the Chief Court in the annexed form. A statement will also be furnished by the Accountant General showing the sums brought to credit in each district during the year.

Statement

receipts

III. Petition Paper during the year 1894, and the financial results of the operations of the year.

IV. Amount received
Paper in store on April 1st, 1894
Paper received during the year
Total

V. Amount expended
Paper sold during the year
Paper used for copies supplied free of charge
Paper in store on March 31st, 1894
Total

VI. Receipts.
Paper sold to licensed vendors at Rs. 5, a ream
Total

Expenditure
Commissioners paid to licensed vendors
Carriage of paper from Calcutta to the head quarters of the district

VII.

Certified that I have personally satisfied myself that the balance of means shown above was actually in store on 31st March last, and that Rs. , being the price of at Rs. 5 a ream, were duly credited in the accounts of this treasury during the year 1894.
Dated Deputy Commissioner

Copy of Chief Court Circular Memo No. 24-4536 G, dated the 8th November 1894, to all Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab.

Subject
Increase in price of water marked petition paper.

The Judges of the Chief Court are pleased to direct, with the approval of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, that the price of water marked petition paper, which was reduced to Rs. 5/- a

III. Circular Memo No: 15.3028 G, dated the 29th June 1891, shall be raised to Rs. 7-8-0, by a ream or 3 pice a sheet, with effect from the 1st December 1894.

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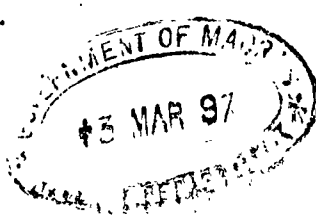
It is requested that the papers and documents of this office and the Department, Sub-Department and File may be quoted in accordance with the following instructions.

FROM

H. J. Chaynard, Esquire,
Junior Secretary to the Government of the Punjab,

TO

The Secretary to the Government of Madras.



Dated Lahore, the 26th of February 1897.

Dept. & Sub-head.

Home General.

SIR,

File No.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 5053, dated the 10th of December 1896, asking for papers bearing on the introduction and the working of the system since its introduction into the Punjab of water mark paper used for petitions and plaints, and requesting information as to the agreement under which the paper is supplied.

In reply, I am to forward a copy of the papers noted in

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to refer you to the Super-
intendent of Stationery,
Calcutta, by whom all
paper is supplied upon indent.

1. Section XVII, of the
Chief Court Circular orders.
Volume III.
2. Chief Court Circular
Memo No. 24-4536 of,
dated 8th Nov: 1894.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W Maynard

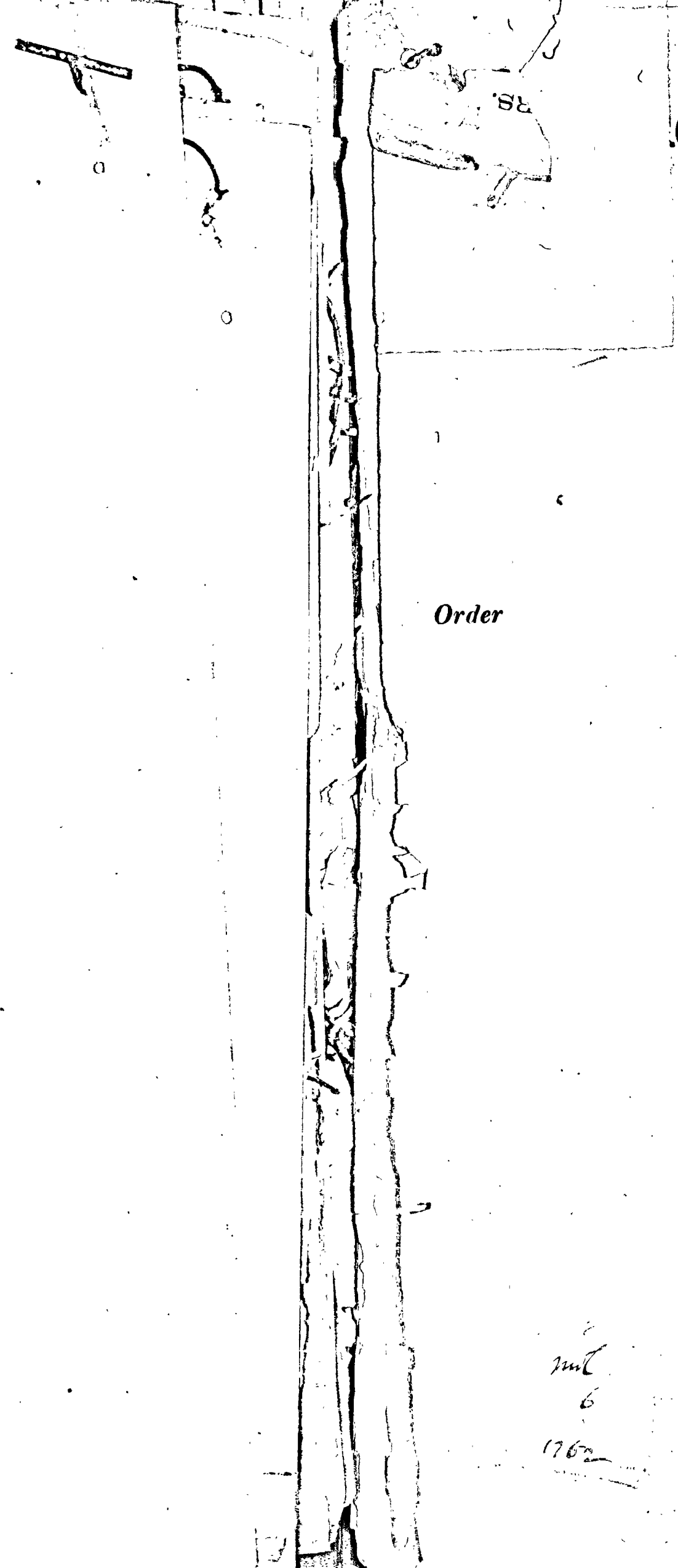
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Order

From
The Secy. for Berar to the
Resident, Hyderabad.

No. 830.

Dated 11-3-97

Received 13-3-97

Registered 15-3-97.

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Abstract

SUBJECT.

Furnishing certain information
regarding the introduction into
the Hyderabad Assigned Districts
of water marked petition paper.

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Registered Amendment to Stamp Manual No. XIX.

Add the following as Section VI-A, Part III, Stamp Manual:—

VI-A—Supply and sale of water-marked petition paper.

(1) Water-marked petition paper will be procured by Treasury Officers from the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, on indents checked and countersigned by the Inspector General of Stamps, from whom forms of indents can be obtained.

(2) The water-marked petition paper is intended for use with adhesive court fee labels and for petitions and applications to courts and offices on which no stamp is required.

(3) Deputy Commissioners should afford every facility to petition writers for supplying themselves with water-marked petition paper at local and branch depôts, and the use of any other paper for petitions should be generally discouraged. If the water-marked paper is not used, the use of stout paper of some kind is to be insisted on (Secretary's No. 2660, dated 15th July 1891, to Commissioner).

(4) The petition paper will be issued to petition writers at three pies the sheet, and should be retailed by them to the public at the same price.

Petition paper will be accounted for in the same way as stamp paper.

Following to rule 5, section VI-A, Part III (Registered Amend-

ment of receipts and issues in the form and at the time of Residency Orders Notification No. 71, dated 1st April 1891, (Stamp Manual) will be submitted to the Hyderabad Assigned Districts.

REGISTERED AMENDMENT No. XXXIX TO STAMP MANUAL.

Substitute the following for clause (4) of the rules in Section VI-A, Part III, of Stamp Manual for the supply and sale of petition paper:—

(4) At local and branch depôts petition paper will be sold by the ex-officio vendor in quantities of not less value than one rupee to any person wishing to purchase it, at a discount of one anna in the rupee. Licensed vendors of stamps (both general and court fee) and authorized petition writers are expected to keep a supply of the paper for sale to the public at 3 pies per sheet.

Water-marked
petition paper

Extract from the Report on the Administration of the Stamp Department, Hyderabad Assigned Districts for the year 1892-93

18. Sales in the several districts were as follows:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Amraoti ...	192	7	0
Akola ...	641	12	0
Collichpur ...	161	12	3
Buldana ...	242	0	0
Wun ...	207	0	0
Basim ...	191	4	0

Total 1,636-3-3

The use of this paper was introduced during the year under report. The object is to make available a paper of uniform size and of substantial quality for petitions and applications, and thus to render it unnecessary to use the flimsy paper on which petitions hitherto have been generally written. The new paper is obtained from the Superintendent of Stationery at Calcutta, and is retailed at three pies per sheet. The orders which regulate its

its use are the following:-

"Deputy Commissioners should afford to petition-writers every facility for supplying themselves with water-marked petition paper at local and branch depots, and the use of any other paper for petitions should be generally discouraged.

"If the water-marked paper is not used, the use of stout paper of some kind is to be insisted on."—(Secretary's No 2660, dated 15th July 1891.)

At first some opposition to the use of the paper was experienced, but with the allowance of a discount on its sale this has disappeared. It is evident that in the Amraoti District its use has not been pushed to the same extent as in Akola.

The issue of this paper only commenced in the month of September 1892. The value sold represents about 210 reams.

True Extract

W. J. G. M. M.

Superintendent,

Issue Branch,

Resident's Office.

Extract from the Report on the Administration of the Stamp Department, Hyderabad Assigned Districts for the year 1894-95

13. Water marked petition paper continues to be sold in increasing quantities. The convenience to Courts and Offices of receiving petitions on paper of good quality and uniform size is great. The following are details of sales:-

	1893-94 Rs. a. p.	1894-95 Rs. a. p.
Amraoti ...	691-8-0	1,609-8-0
Akola ...	1,277-6-0	1,372-8-0
Ellichpur ...	406-13-0	383-14-9
Buldana ...	639-0-0	695-8-0
Wun ...	410-2-0	383-8-0
Basim ...	387-0-0	385-0-0
Total	3,811-13-0	4,829-14-9

The increase of Rs 1,018, or about 26 per cent. The value realized represents sale of 309,111 sheets.

True Extract

W. J. G. M. M.

Superintendent

Issue Branch,

Resident's Office.

Copy
No. 3651

From,

H. L. Barnes Esquire,
Superintendent of Stationery

To,

The Assistant Secretary for Berar
to the Resident, Hyderabad
Hyderabad, Residency
Calcutta the 3rd/₄ October 1891.

Sir,

With reference to your letter
No. 3563 of the 25th/₄ ultimo, I have the
honour to say that water-marked paper
used with court-fee stamps is now made
locally and a sample sheet is enclosed. It
could be supplied by the Stationery office
to officers of the Berars on indents counter-
signed by the Superintendent of Stamps,
Hyderabad. Printed forms of indents can
be had on application. For the current
year the price of the paper has been
fixed at Rupees 3-4-0 per Ream.

2.

In Bengal the practice
is for Treasury Officers to submit indents
for water-marked paper countersigned
by

* Receipt No. 3224
enclosed for
signature and
return.

by District Officers, as prescribed in Section 1.11
of the Stationery Manual of which a
copy is sent you by Post. The sale proceeds
of the paper are credited to Stamp Revenue.
I would suggest that any order, which the
Resident may propose to issue in regard to
the introduction of this paper into Berar,
may be made in communication with
the Government of Bengal to which this
office is subordinate.

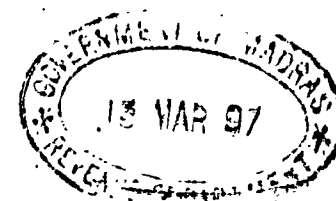
The sample sheet of paper
received with your letter is herewith
returned.

I have &c
Sd/- F. L. Barnes,
Superintendent,

True copy
W. J. A. Munn
Superintendent,
Issue Branch,
Residents Office

Berar Office.

No. 850 of 1897.



FROM

A. Williams Esquire,

SECRETARY FOR BERAR TO THE RESIDENT,

HYDERABAD,

TO

The Secretary to the
Government of Madras

DATED HYDERABAD RESIDENCY, THE 11th March 1897.

SIR,

I am directed to refer to
your letter No. 5053, dated the 10th
December 1896, regarding certain
information bearing on the
introduction into the Hyderabad
Assigned Districts of watermarked
petition paper manufactured
by the Sitaghir Paper Mills Company,
Calcutta.

2. In reply I am to state
as follows:—

In the year 1891, the Commissioner
Hyderabad Assigned Districts, at

1. the suggestion of the Inspector General of Stamps, submitted for the Resident's consideration a proposal to the effect that as the paper used for petitions was of a very inferior quality, the plan adopted in the Central Provinces of issuing water-marked petition paper for such purposes and generally encouraging its use might usefully be adopted in the Hyderabad Assigned Districts. The Resident, accepted the proposal subject to the provision that ^{the use of} stout paper of some kind by those who ^{use} the watermarked paper supplied by Government should be insisted on. The introduction of stout ^{water marked} paper such as that used in the Central Provinces having been decided on, the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, was then asked if he could supply it. In reply the Superintendent in his letter No. 3657, dated the 3rd October 1891, a copy of which is herewith forwarded for your information, agreed to supply the

paper to officers in Berar on indents countersigned by the Superintendent of Stamps, this arrangement being subsequently modified and the Counter signature of the Inspector General of Stamps prescribed instead to suit local circumstances. The paper was first supplied at the rate at which it is issued to the public in Bengal viz. to 7/6/- per ream, but after some correspondence it was settled by the Government of India that it should be supplied at cost price plus a reasonable percentage for departmental charges in the Stationery office and the price fixed was to 3/6/- per ream, the cost of freight to destination being also borne by the Berar administration. As to the practical success of the system, I am to request a reference to paragraph 18 of the Hyderabad Assigned Districts Stamp Report for 1892-93 and paragraph 13 of the report for 1894-95; extracts of which

are enclosed for information. It has been ascertained that the paper supplied is that manufactured by the Itaghar Paper Mills Company, Calcutta.

3. For further information on this subject, and for the notifications and orders dealing therewith, I am to refer you to the enclosed extract Section VI A of part III of the Hyderabad Assigned Districts Stamp Manual. The selling price to the public in Berar is the same as that in Bengal and probably elsewhere, viz to 7/10 of a rupee, to prevent under-selling.

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your most obed^t servant

W. Hutton
Secy Secretary for Berar
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Revenue (1897) Department.

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From

The Chief Commr of Assam

Order

No. 964 Misc;
229 R.

Dated 22nd January 1897

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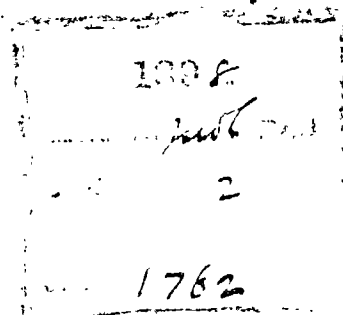
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SUBJECT,

Regarding the use of water marked paper in Assam.



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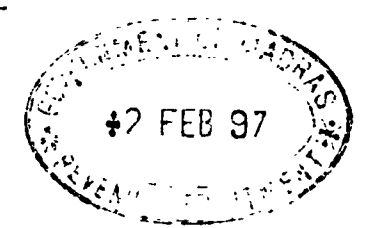
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It is requested that any reply
or future reference to this
communication may quote its
number distinguishing letter,
and date.

No. 964 Misc:
229 R.



From,
The Officiating Secretary to the
Chief Commissioner of Assam,

To,
The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Fort St: George, Madras.

Dated Shillong, the 22nd January, 1897.

Sir,
I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter
No. 5053, dated the 10th December, 1896, in which you ask for
certain information in regard to the water-marked paper used
in Assam & which is said to be supplied by Mr Hamilton Holmes
Agent of the Titaghur Mills Company, Calcutta.

2. In reply, I am to say that as the water-marked paper
in use in this Province is obtained from the Superintendent
of Stationery, Calcutta, the Chief Commissioner regrets that
he is not in a position to furnish the information required
by you.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
E. A. R.
Officiating Secretary to the
Chief Commissioner of Assam.

Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1176

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From The Resident in Mysore

Order

No. 528

Dated 6th February 1897

Received 8th

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding copy of Letter No.
5228 regarding the special
water mark paper.

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Memorandum on the introduction of a Specially marked Plain paper for use in the Courts in Mysore.

1. The Government of India approved of a special plain paper to be used for documents intended for record in Courts and authorized its adoption as far back as June 1872 (vide enclosure). Since that date the paper has been also authorized for use in the N. W. P Oudh & and several Native States have also introduced it.

2. The paper is a plain white sheet (sample enclosed) bearing the watermark "Stamp office Calcutta" in a farker, encircling the Royal coat of Arms (British). It is manufactured under special Contract by the Titaghur Paper Mills Calcutta which supply it direct to the Superintendent of Stamps.

3. The paper is of good quality and well fitted for "record". It is of the size of foolscap, colour white, weight

weight 7 lbs and tallies 480 sheets to the Ream. The Charge to Government of India by the Mill is at the rate of seven annas per pound = Rs 3-1-0 per Ream. The authorized (see enclosure) rate of sale to the public is at 3 pies per sheet = Rs 7-8-0 per Ream. So that Government derives a profit of Rs 4-7-0 on the sale of each Ream.

4. The Titaghur Paper Mills, Calcutta supplies the Mysore Government with its stationery and would be prepared to supply this special paper with a special water-mark on each sheet (adopted for the Mysore States), for the same rate as quoted above viz: Rs 3-1-0 per Ream of 480 sheets. The cost of transport of the paper from Calcutta to Bangalore would be about 3 to 4 annas per Ream bringing the charges up to Rs 3-4-0 or Rs 3-5-0 per Ream delivered at Bangalore.

5. In the Courts under the Government of Bengal alone it is stated that an annual

annual income of between 4000 and 5000 is derived from the sale and use of this special plain paper. Assuming that only 4000 Reams would be used in the Courts of this Province - a very low estimate - a State would realize an income of Rs 17000 i.e. 4000 @ $4\frac{1}{4}$ Rs or allowing for Commission on sales etc at $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent there would be a clear gain of 16000 Rs per annum which no doubt would go on increasing.

6. The paper for Mysore could be ordered at once. A design for a water mark is also enclosed.

(Sd) T. T. Leonard

1st April 1895.

Copy

(Sd) L. Anantasaani Rao

for Secretary.

Part III Sec: 3 of Stamp Rules.

Plain Paper for use with adhesive Court Fee Stamps.

1. To provide against adhesive Court fee stamps being affixed to documents —
Use of plain paper } written on paper unfitted for the purposes of record, the Government of India have approved of a special kind of paper for use with the Court fee labels. The size of this paper is $13\frac{1}{2}$ inches long by $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and the use of it for the purpose intended is authorized by the High Court in their order No 22 dated 28th June 1872 published at page 67 of the Calcutta Gazette of the 24th July 1872.

N.B. It may be a question whether revenue, judicial and magisterial officers could refuse to receive an application or a petition merely because it is not written upon paper of a particular size or description, provided that it is of a kind sufficiently durable to be adopted for record, but they clearly would be justified in refusing permission to file a document.

document written upon paper obviously unfitted for this purpose.

2. The plain paper used for Court fee stamps shall be sold to the public — Sale of such paper } through the licensed vendors at one pice per sheet and the district officers should apply to this paper the same kind of check and supervision as obtains in the case of stamps and enter the necessary particulars in their monthly accounts (form D) rendered to the Superintendent of Stamps. District officers should further submit to the Superintendent of Stamps, separate indents for the paper in question instead of including it in their stationery indent.

3. Every licensed vendor of stamps who purchases from Government by Discount on such paper } payment of ready money, the plain paper used for Court fee stamps of the total value of Rs 2 and upwards shall receive the same at a discount of $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent

cent or one anna in the rupee. The local officers should carefully supervise the working of this arrangement to ascertain whether any extortion is practised by vendors of the paper in demanding from the purchasers more than the fixed price of one pice per sheet.

4. The plain paper used for Court fee stamps shall be obtained by the Mode of obtaining it } local officers in the same manner as stamps are obtained.

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(S) L. Anantarami Rao.
For Secretary.

Copies.

Henry Clarke
Registrar

Proceedings of the Government of Mysore, General, dated 30th June 1896.

READ:—

The following communications from the Deputy Commissioners of districts in the matter of the rate of commission payable to vendors authorized to sell the special water-mark paper recently introduced into the province for use in Judicial Courts.

No. 1068, dated 26th February 1896, from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore.	
No. 710, dated 29th February 1896,	Do Tumkur.
No. 821, dated 16th March 1896,	Do Hassan.
No. 3531—930, dated 17th March 1896,	Do Kadur.
No. C. 83, dated 28th March 1896,	Do Chitaldrug.
No. 964, dated 31st March 1896,	Do Bangalore.
No. 1050—771, dated 1st April 1896,	Do Shimoga.

No. 14099-109—Mis. F. 8-95, DATED, BANGALORE, 30TH JUNE 1896.

ORDER THEREON.—The sale of the above-mentioned special paper will be entrusted to—

- (1) Salaried Stamp vendors,
- (2) Licensed Stamp vendors, and
- (3) Such other persons as may be licensed by district officers in that behalf.

2. Salaried vendors will not be paid any remuneration for the work, but in the case of other vendors a commission of 3 per cent at all the taluk head-quarters, and 5 per cent at the outlying stations, will be allowed for the present.

3. The Superintendent of Stamps is requested to issue necessary instructions to the district and local officers on the lines of the appended extract from the Stamp Rules, Part III, Section 3, framed when similar plain paper for use with adhesive court-fees stamps was introduced in British India in June 1872. The usual returns will, as in the case of stamps, be submitted by the district officers to the Superintendent of Stamps.

4. The Superintendent of Stationery should furnish his accounts of issues of paper and payments made up to date to the Superintendent of Stamps, who will, in future, deal with the Titagbur Paper Mills at Calcutta in all matters concerning the supply of the special paper.

C. SREENIVASIENGAR,
Secy. to Govt., Gen. and Rev. Depts.

To—The Superintendent of Stamps in Mysore.
The Registrar, Chief Court of Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioners of districts.
The Superintendent of Stationery.

Extract from Stamp Rules, Part III, Section 3, published in June 1872, on the introduction, in British India, of a special plain paper for use with adhesive court-fee stamps.

2. *Sale of such paper.*—The plain paper used for court-fee stamps shall be sold to the public through the licensed vendors and the district officers should apply to this paper the same kind of check and supervision as obtains in the case of stamps, and enter the necessary particulars in their monthly accounts (Form D) rendered to the Superintendent of Stamps. District officers should further submit to the Superintendent of Stamps separate indents for the paper in question instead of including it in their stationery indent.

The local officers should carefully supervise the working of this arrangement to ascertain whether any extortion is practised by vendors of the paper in demanding from purchasers more than the fixed price per sheet.

4. The plain paper used for court-fee stamps shall be obtained by the local officers in the same manner as stamps are obtained.

Exd—H.A.R.

1895-96
GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

GENERAL

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 30th June 1896

No. 14099-109
Mis. F. 8-95

Issuing instructions regarding the sale
of the special water-mark paper for use in
the Judicial Courts in the State.

IN THE CHIEF COURT OF MYSORE.

The 1st day of August 1895.

The following Rule, prescribing the kind of paper to be used by parties, or their Advocates or Pleaders, when presenting petitions, &c., in the Courts of the Mysore Province, having received the sanction of Government, is hereby published for general information.

On and after 1st ~~January~~ ^{March} 1896, every plaint, memorandum of appeal, written statement, petition, affidavit, deposition, application, memorandum or list of documents, copy of a document or other paper presented to, or filed in, the Chief Court of Mysore, and in all the Civil and Criminal Courts subordinate thereto, except documentary evidence, shall be fairly and legibly written or printed or partly fairly and legibly written and partly printed, on a special white paper to be had at all Government Treasuries at 3 pices per sheet, with an inner margin about three quarters of an inch wide, and an outer margin about two inches and a half wide, and made up bookways (as nearly as may be in the form in which records are now printed for the Chief Court), the writing or printing to be on both sides of the paper, and numbers to be expressed in figures.

By order,

V. A. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR, Registrar.

READ:—

Letter No. 254, dated the 3rd September 1896, from the Deputy Commissioner of the Bangalore district, soliciting sanction to the entertainment of an extra hand on Rs. 15 per mensem in the District Treasury for the extra work connected with the issue, &c., of the special water-mark paper recently introduced into the Judicial Courts of the province.

No. 7169-77—Mis. F. 8-95, DATED, BANGALORE, 19TH DECEMBER 1896.

ORDER THEREON.—The Government have recently sanctioned an additional establishment for the Stamp Department, from which the supply of the paper in question will be made to the district treasuries in convenient packets, each containing a definite number of reams. The issue from the district treasuries should be restricted to the minimum unit of a ream, and all accounts and returns prepared on the basis of that unit. With such an arrangement, Government consider it would be unnecessary to increase the establishments of district treasuries on account of the special water-mark paper in question.

C. SREENIVASIENGAR,
Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev. Depts.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.
The Deputy Commissioners of other Districts.
The Superintendent of Stamps in Mysore, who will arrange for the issue of the paper in packets as described in the order.

End.—H.A.R.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

GENERAL

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 19th December 1896

No. 7169-77
Mis. P. 8-95

Issuing instructions regarding the supply of special water-mark paper from the Stamp Department to the district treasuries, and declining to sanction the entertainment of any extra establishment in the district treasuries on account of the said paper.

M.G.C.P.B.-14-1-97-2-C

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Mis 78-95

Office of the Dewan of Mysore
Dated Bangalore, 20th January 1897.

From
The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

To
The First Assistant to the
Resident in Mysore.

Sir,

In reply to your letter no 8 dated the 5th instant calling for information as to the introduction of a special water-mark paper manufactured by the Pitaghar Paper Mills Co. to be used for plaints, petitions, &c in the Courts of Mysore, I am directed to forward copy of a Memorandum (with its enclosure) dated 1st April 1895 submitted by the Superintendent of the Mysore Government Press containing particulars as to the cost of manufacture, selling price, &c of the paper in question. The quality and cost of the paper commended themselves to the Government, and with the view of improving the

* six sample sheets
are also sent.

the durability of official records, the use of the paper in the Civil and Criminal Courts of the State was ordered by a Rule of Practice issued by the Chief Court on 1st August 1895 and brought into force from the 1st March 1896. A stock of 8000 reams of the special paper costing about Rs 25000 @ Rs 3/1 per ream was obtained and distributed to the several District Treasuries for sale to the public at 3 pies per sheet or Rs 7/8 per ream, the sales to be effected by licensed vendors on payment of a Commission of 3 per cent at Taluk Head Quarters and of 5 per cent at outlying stations. The distribution is made by the Superintendent of stamps and the paper is subjected as regards accounts &c to the same arrangements as are prescribed in the case of stamps. The financial results of the measure have not yet been ascertained, but the system has been in successful working up to date, and the question of introducing the paper into all the Revenue Courts and offices in the

the State, with a reduction if possible in the rate of selling price is under the consideration of this Government.

2. No formal agreement for the supply of the paper has yet been entered into with the Titagar Paper Mills Co, but a proposal from them for a contract for a term of 15 years is under consideration.

3. Copies of the undermentioned papers are forwarded for reference in addition to those mentioned in para 1 above as requested in your letter under reply.

(1) Proceedings of Government No 14099-109
Mis 78-95
dated 30th June 1896.

(2) Chief Court's Rules of Practice dated 1st August 1895 and 27th August 1895.

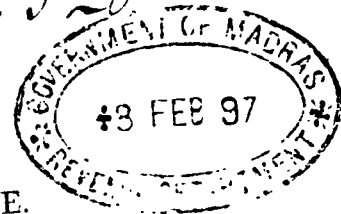
(3) Proceedings of Government No 7169-77
Mis 78-95
dated 19th December 1896.

I have etc.

(Signed) L. Anantasami Rao.

For Secretary.

No. 528.



FROM

THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

TO

The Secretary to the Government of
Madras, Revenue Department.

Dated Bangalore, 6th February 1897.

SIR,

In reply to your letter No.
5053, dated the 10th December 1896,
requesting to be furnished with certain
information and papers bearing on
the subject of the introduction into
Mysore of a special water-marked
paper manufactured by the Litaghur
Mills Company, Calcutta, I have
the honor to forward herewith a
copy of letter No. ⁸²²⁸ ~~mis 78.95~~, dated the
20th ^{ultimo} ~~instant~~ and the enclosure
therein received from the Mysore
Government, which give all the
information

information asked for.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

James Johnston

SA. Officiating Resident.

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From The Under Secy to Govt
N.W. Provinces & A.S.

Order

No. 21
XXIII-399A

Dated 19th January 1897.

Received 22nd

Registered 22nd

Enclosures 1.

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Forwarding copy of Progs in
the Separate Rev. (Stamp) Depart.
and stating that arrangements
for the use of the paper have
not yet been introduced into
these Provinces.

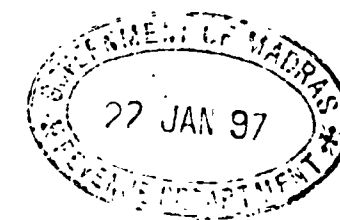
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BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.



1896.

SEPARATE REVENUE (STAMPS) DEPARTMENT.

N.-W. P. AND OUDH.

PROCEEDINGS FOR MAY 1896,

Nos. 1 TO 8.

FILE HEADING.

Introduction of plain paper used with adhesive stamps under the Court-fees Act VII of 1870 into the North-Western Provinces and Oudh.

FILE No. 399A,
SERIAL Nos. 1, 2, 6,
AND 9 TO 13.

LIST OF PAPERS.

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(a) (Enclosure.) Copy of a letter from the Government of Bengal and enclosure.		2
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No. 3.] From the Board of Revenue, returning the enclosures of Serial No. 1, and stating that the High Court and the Judicial Commissioner were in favour of the proposal, and making certain observations.	6	ib.
No. 4.] To the Government of India in the Finance and Commerce Department, stating that the High Court, the Judicial Commissioner, and the Board of Revenue, who had been consulted, were prepared to adopt the suggestion made by the Government of Bengal, but before making final arrangements, the Lieutenant-Governor desired to have information as to the price at which the paper was supplied by the Superintendent of Stationery to Local Governments, and in what manner the supply was arranged for in other Provinces using the paper.	9	3—4
No. 5.] (Endorsement.) Forwarding a copy of Serial No. 9 to the Superintendent of Stationery, and asking for the necessary information.	10	4
No. 6.] From the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, replying to Serial No. 10, and asking for an estimate of the probable annual quantity of the paper that would be required, in order that suitable provision might be made.	11	4—7

- (2)
- No. 7.] To the Board of Revenue, requesting that the Board would make the necessary arrangements in communication with the High Court, the Judicial Commissioner, and the Commissioner of Stamps for the issue of such rules as might be required and for a supply of the paper to Treasuries.
- No. 8.] (Endorsement.) Forwarding a copy of Serial No. 12 to the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, in reply to Serial No. 11.

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PREVIOUS REFERENCE.

LATER REFERENCES.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE N.-W. PROVINCES AND OUDH
IN THE
SEPARATE REVENUE (STAMPS) DEPARTMENT
FOR THE MONTH OF
MAY 1896.

File No. 399A.]

No. 3737S.R., dated Simla, the 3rd August 1895.

From—J. E. O'CONOR, ESQ., Assistant Secretary to the Government of India,
Finance and Commerce Department,

To—Secretary to Government, N.-W. Provinces and Oudh.

SIR,—I am directed to forward copy of a letter from the Government of Bengal, suggesting the introduction of plain paper used with adhesive court-fee stamps under the Court Fees Act VII of 1870 into the North-Western Provinces and Oudh.

2. I am to request that the matter may be considered and the Government of India favoured with an expression of the opinion of the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh thereon.

No. 3937S.R., dated Calcutta, the 24th July 1895.

From—H. H. RISLEY, ESQ., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of Bengal,
Financial Department,

To—Secretary to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department.

SIR,—I am directed to submit, for the consideration and orders of the Government of India, the accompanying copy of a letter No. 565B., dated the 28th June 1895, from the Board of Revenue, Lower Provinces, relating to the introduction of plain paper, used with adhesive court-fee stamps under the Court Fees Act VII of 1870 into the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and to request that, if the Government of India agree in the views expressed by the Board, it may be suggested to the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh that it should take the necessary action to introduce the plain paper used in all other Provinces supplied from the Calcutta Stationery Office.

No. 565B., dated Calcutta, the 28th June 1895.

From—Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Lower Provinces,

To—Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Financial Department.

I AM directed to submit the following for the consideration and orders of Government.

STAMPS.

THE HON'BLE D. R. LYALL, C. S. I.

2. While in Ghazipur a short time ago, Mr. Lyall discovered that the plain paper used with adhesive court-fee stamps under the Court Fees Act VII of 1870, which is generally used for petitions and sold at one pice per sheet to the public in Bengal, is not used in the North-Western Provinces and Oudh.

3. It will be seen from the history of this paper, as given in paragraph 2 of the Board's letter No. 206B., dated the 10th March 1894, to your address, that it was introduced in these Provinces as far back as the year 1872, and that it is also used

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in Assam, the Panjáb, the Central Provinces, and the Hyderabad Assigned Districts. As it is desirable that the same description of paper should be used throughout the Provinces supplied by the Stationery Office as far as possible, I am to request that, with the permission of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh may be moved to take the necessary steps for its use in all Civil, Criminal, and Revenue Courts in the North-Western Provinces and Oudh. The sale of this paper appears to the Board a very legitimate source of revenue.

No. 206B., dated the 10th March 1894.

From—T. INGLIS, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Lower Provinces,
To—Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Financial Department.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of G. O. No. 750F., dated the 12th January 1894, in the margin, from the Accountant-General, Bengal, regarding the supply by the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, of plain paper, used with court-fee stamps, to the Treasuries in Bengal, as well as to those in the Panjáb. The paper is sold to the public in Bengal at Rs. 7-8-0 per ream, and this rate also prevailed in the Panjáb until by a circular order of the Panjáb Chief Court, dated the 29th June 1891, which is said to have been issued with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor of that Province, the price of the paper was reduced to Rs. 5 per ream, with effect from the 1st October 1891. The Accountant-General points out that this reduction of price in the Panjáb may affect the sale of the paper in Bengal, inasmuch as it would pay a vendor to import it from the Panjáb for sale in Bengal.

2. The history of the case is as follows: When the paper was first imported in 1872, no invoice giving its price was sent with it, and a valuation was made by the then Superintendent of Stamps that the cost price of each sheet of the papers would probably amount to about 1½ pies, and that adding costs, freight, &c., he considered three pies or one pice as a fair price to charge for each sheet. This was accepted by the Board. Meanwhile the High Court issued their Circular No. 22 of 28th June 1872, in which it was stated that the Government of India had fixed the price at one pice per sheet. A reference to the Board's records shows that no such order was received from the Government of India, and a reference to the Registrar of the High Court has elicited the fact that no such order can be found there. It appears that the High Court circular, referred to, was drafted by Mr. F. B. Peacock, who was moved from the Board to the High Court, and the Member in charge thinks it possible that he wrote from his recollection of the price having been fixed, but stated wrongly that it was done by the Government of India. Be that as it may, there is no order of the Government of India fixing the price of the paper on sale to the public.

3. The Board have consulted the Superintendent of Stationery on the question raised by the Accountant-General, and consider that the price of the paper should be the same all over the country. It is now sold at Rs. 7-8-0 per ream in Bengal, Assam, the Central Provinces, and Hyderabad Assigned Districts. The price as originally fixed was a fair one, but the paper is now made by a special arrangement with the Tittagarh Mills, and it is no longer imported. The gain to Government by the substitution of the locally-made paper was about half a lakh of rupees a year, and the Board consider the gain a very fair one. The people do not grumble, and the Court records are kept neat and tidy. Under these circumstances, the Board think that the Government of India should be moved to fix the price of the paper at one pice a sheet for all the Provinces to which it is supplied, and that the Panjáb Government should be directed to go back to the old rate. There is no doubt that it would pay any one to buy the paper at Rs. 5 a ream in the Panjáb and sell it at Rs. 7-8-0 in Bengal, and this will probably soon be discovered. The question is really one of finance. It would actually pay Government, and leave a small profit if the paper were sold at half its present cost or two sheets for a pice; but there would be considerable loss of revenue.

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SERIAL
No. 2.No. 181
XIII-399A OF 1896.

SEPARATE REVENUE (STAMPS) DEPARTMENT.

Dated Naini Tal, the 6th September 1895.

COPY (of Serial No. 1), with enclosures in original (to be returned), forwarded to the Secretary, Board of Revenue, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, for an expression of the Board's opinion, in consultation with the Hon'ble the High Court of Judicature, North-Western Provinces, the Judicial Commissioner of Oudh, and, if necessary, the Financial Commissioners of the Panjáb.

By order, &c.,

H. E. HOLME,

Under-Secy. to Govt., N.-W. P. and Oudh.

No. 5
VS-744, dated the 7th January 1896.

No. 6.

From—LALA BALENAWAR PRASAD, Joint-Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
N.-W. P. and Oudh,

To—Secretary to Government, N.-W. Provinces and Oudh.

SIR,—I am directed to return the enclosures of G. O. No. 181
XIII-399A, dated 6th
September 1895, regarding the proposed introduction into these
Provinces of the plain paper used with adhesive court-fees
stamps under the Court Fees Act VII of 1870 in Bengal and other Provinces.

2. The High Court of the North-Western Provinces and the Judicial Commissioner of Oudh have been consulted on the subject. They are in favour of the proposal, and the Board recommend the introduction of the paper in the Civil, Criminal, and Revenue Court of these Provinces for plaints and petitions at a uniform rate of one pice per sheet.

3. The Judicial Commissioner of Oudh proposes to have the "form of plaint" lithographed on the paper, as in sample enclosed, and supplied to petition-writers at the rate of Rs. 1-9-0 per 110 copies. The Board see no objection to the proposal of the Judicial Commissioner to issue lithographed forms, provided the price does not exceed the uniform rate suggested above. This would still leave a small margin of profit to Government in addition to the profit from the manufacture of the paper as shown below:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Price of 110 half sheets = 55 full sheets =	...	...	0 13 9
Charges of printing 110 forms on above (approximately) ...	...	...	0 4 3
Total	...	...	1 2 0
Profit	...	...	0 7 0

No. 4.

No. 67
XIII-399A, dated Allahabad, the 6th March 1896.

No. 9.

From—Secretary to Government, N.-W. Provinces and Oudh,
To—Secretary to the Government of India, Fin. and Com. Dept.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter
No. 3737S.R., dated the 3rd of August 1895, forwarding a copy

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of a letter from the Government of Bengal, suggesting the introduction of plain paper used with adhesive court-fee stamps under the Court Fees Act VII of 1870 into the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and requesting an expression of the opinion of this Government in the matter.

2. In reply, I am to state, for the information of the Government of India, that the Hon'ble the High Court for the North-Western Provinces, the Judicial Commissioner of Oudh, and the Board of Revenue, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, who have been consulted in the matter, are prepared to adopt the suggestion made by the Government of Bengal. Before making final arrangements, the Lieutenant-Governor desires to have information as to the price at which the paper is supplied by the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, to Local Governments, and in what manner the supply is arranged for in other Provinces using the paper. The Superintendent of Stationery has been asked for information on these points.

J. O. MILLER,
Secretary.

No. 5.

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Copy forwarded to the Superintendent of Stationery, with the request that he will state in what manner the supply of the paper referred to is arranged for in other Provinces. Is it supplied on indents direct to Treasury officers, or is one indent received from each Province, and if so from whom? The cost charged by the Stationery Office should also be stated. The paper referred to is that which is supplied for adhesive court-fee labels, which is used with petitions, and which is sold to the public in the Provinces using it at one pice per sheet.

By order, &c.,

H. E. HOLME,
Under-Secy. to Govt., N.-W. P. and Oudh.

No. 6.

No. 6812, dated Calcutta, the 19th March 1896.

From—F. C. BARNES, Esq., *Superintendent of Stationery,*
To—*The Under-Secretary to Government, N.-W. Provinces and Oudh.*

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum No. ⁶⁸ XIII-399A, dated 6th current, forwarding copy of your letter to the address of the Secretary to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, regarding the introduction of plain paper used with adhesive court-fee stamps into the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and enquiring in what manner the supply of the paper is arranged for in other Provinces.

2. The practice obtaining in regard to the supply of this paper is that it is supplied to Treasury Officers on direct indent in the same manner as stamps are obtained, *vide* Rules 1 to 4, Part III, section 3, pages 93-94 of the Bengal Stamp Manual. These indents are dealt with in the Stationery Office. They are submitted in the prescribed form, of which a copy is enclosed, and in Bengal are countersigned by the District officers *vide* Rule 11, section 1 of the Stationery Manual.

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3. The paper is charged by the Stationery Office at its cost price, *viz.* Rs. 3-4-0 per ream to Local Governments and Administrations.

4. I request that I may be furnished with an estimate of the probable annual quantity of the paper that will be required in the North-Western Provinces and Oudh to enable me to make suitable provision for it.

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SEP. REV. (STAMPS) DEPT.] (6)

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No. 6.

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[MAY 1896.

SERIAL
No. 11.

MEMORANDUM No. .

THE undersigned has the honour to advise the despatch on the _____ cases containing water-marked paper entered in column 9 of this indent, and to request that the form of receipt given below may be filled up and signed, and this form returned to this office on an early date.

FORT WILLIAM,
GOVERNMENT STATIONERY OFFICE : } Indent Checker.
The _____ of _____ 189 . } Assistant Superintendent of Stationery.

RECEIPT No. .

I HEREBY certify that I have received the _____ reams of water-marked paper entered within in column 9, contained in _____ cases in good condition. The cases were opened and the paper examined in my presence.

The _____ 189 . }

MEMORANDUM No. .

THE undersigned has the honour to request that the form of receipt given below for the _____ reams of water-marked paper delivered to the bearer of this, and entered in column 9 of this indent, may be filled up, signed, and returned to this Office on an early date.

FORT WILLIAM,
GOVERNMENT STATIONERY OFFICE : } Assistant Superintendent of Stationery.
The _____ 189 . }

RECEIPT No. .

THE _____ reams of water-marked paper entered in column 9 have been examined and received in good condition from the Stationery Office Store by me _____ on this the _____ day of _____ 189 . }

I HEREBY acknowledge the receipt of the _____ reams of water-marked paper entered within in column 9 in good condition.

The _____ 189 . }

INDENT FOR WATER-MARKED

PAPER.

189 .

GOVERNMENT STATIONERY OFFICE.

FROM

MEMORANDUM.

Stamp Office Register No.
Stationery Office Register No.

Date

Receipt No.

Date

Supplied in

When advised

Issue the water-marked paper entered in column 8.

Indent Checker.

Assistant Superintendent of Stationery.

Despatched by
Examined and packed by

Number of
cases.

Number on
cases.

Remarks.

FORT WILLIAM,
GOVERNMENT STATIONERY OFFICE :

The _____ 189 .

Form No. 4.]

ANNUAL INDENT FOR WATER-MARKED PAPER TO BE SOLD TO THE PUBLIC FOR USE WITH COURT-FEES STAMPS.
From the District of _____ for the year ending on the _____ 189 .

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Description of water-marked paper.	Opening balance of the past year.	Quantity received during the year.	Total of columns 2 and 3.	Consumption of the past twelve months.	Balance in hand on date of indent.	Quantity now indented for.	Quantity allowed by Stationery Office.	Quantity supplied by Stationery Office.	Rate.	Value of paper indented for.	REMARKS.
	Rms. q. s.	Rms. q. s.	Rms. q. s.	Rms. q. s.	Rms. q. s.	Rms.	Rms.	Rms.	Three pices per sheet.	Rs a. p.	

Water-marked paper, 13 1/2 x 8 1/2, for use with adhesive court-fee stamps.

Direction to be marked on cases

To the _____
of _____
at _____
Care of _____

To be forwarded by _____

The _____ 189 .

N.B.—Indent should be submitted in duplicate.

(Signature)

[MAY 1896.]

PROGS.
No. 7.

No. ¹²²
XIII-399A, dated Naini Tal, the 4th May 1896.

SERIAL
Nos. 12
AND 13.

From—Secretary to Government, N.-W. Provinces and Oudh,
To—Joint-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, N.-W. P. and Oudh.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. ⁵
VS-744, dated the 7th of January 1896, recommending the introduction in the Civil, Criminal, and Revenue Courts of these Provinces of the plain paper used in Bengal and other Provinces for plaints and petitions bearing adhesive stamps under the Court Fees Act. The paper is supplied at a uniform rate of one pice per sheet, and the High Court and the Judicial Commissioner are also in favour of its introduction.

2. In reply, I am to say that the supply of paper of this special quality—specimen attached—for use, with adhesive court-fee labels on documents filed is approved. I am to enclose a copy of a letter* from the Superintendent of Stationery on the subject, and to ask that the Board will make the necessary arrangements in communication with the High Court, the Judicial Commissioner, and the Commissioner of Stamps, for the issue of such rules as may be required, and for a supply of the paper to Treasuries.

3. I am to refer the Board to pages 93 and 94 of the Bengal Stamp Manual, and to say that if the Board approve of the arrangements made in Bengal (including the grant of a discount of one anna in the rupee on purchases by licensed stamp-vendors of paper of the value of Rs. 2 and over), there is no objection to the adoption of a similar procedure in these Provinces.

J. O. MILLER,
Secretary.

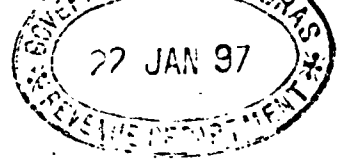
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No. ¹²³
XIII-399A.

Copy forwarded to the Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, for information, with reference to his letter No. 6812, dated the 19th March 1896.

By order, &c.,
H. E. HOLME,
Under-Secy. to Govt., N.-W. P. and Oudh.

No. 21 of 1897.
XIII-399A.



FROM

THE UNDER-SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
N.W. PROVINCES AND OUDH,

TO

The Secretary to the Government of

M A D R A S.

Dated Allahabad 19th Jan'y. 1897.

Sep: Revenue
(Stamps)

DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 5053, dated the 10th. December 1896, requesting to be furnished with information regarding the introduction into these Provinces of the paper supplied by Mr. Hamilton Holmes Agent of the Titagarh Mills Company and the working of the system.

2.- In reply I am to forward a copy of the Proceedings of this Government in the Separate Revenue (Stamps) Department for May 1896, and to say that arrangements for the use of the paper have not yet been introduced into these Provinces.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Chieft

Under-Secretary to Government,
N.W. Provinces and Oudh.

Pro. L. D.

Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 122

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Recd. Ltr.
From *Secy to Govt.*
The Govt. of Bengal.

Order

No. 734 mis

Dated 3-2-97

Received 9-2-97.

Registered 10-2-97.

Enclosures 14. (*Five of these being copies of 1-1-1897 in*)

Spare copies

History of

SUBJECT.

*Forw. for information copy
Letter from the Board of R.
No 35 B on the subject of
15-1-1897
the supply to the public
a special kind of paper in
the Courts of the Lower Pro-
vinces.*

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BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

1887
 1887
 1887
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ABSTRACT.

Sale of Adhesive Revenue or Receipt Stamps	Rs.	A.	P.
Foreign Bill	...	...	...
Share Transfer	...	...	...
Hundi or Bills of Exchange	...	...	...
Bills of Lading	...	...	...
Impressed Sheets (Non-Judicial) ditto	...	...	...
Certificates	...	...	...
Public Works Department Forms	...	...	...
Adhesive Court-Fee Stamps	...	...	...
Impressed Court-Fee ditto	...	...	...
Stamps for "Copies"	...	...	...
Notarial Stamps	...	...	...
Cattle Pound Kabuly at Forms	...	...	...
<i>Train Paper</i>	...	...	...
Total	...	...	...
GRAND TOTAL	...	...	...

I HEREBY certify, after personal inspection of the account, that the sum of Rs. 188, being the value realized in cash of the stamps sold in the district as shown in the above statement during the month of account rendered to the Accountant-General for the month.

District Officer.

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in pursuance of Act I of 1879 and Act VII of 1870, for the month of

VALUES.	Balance of last month brought over.	Received from the Superintendent of Stamps.	Received from the Collector of	Total.	Amount in rupees.	Sold during the month.	Amount of sales.	Issued to the Collector of	Spoilt or obsolete stamps returned to the Superintendent of Stamps.	Total.	Amount in rupees.	Balance.	Amount in rupees.
Brought forward	..												
Impressed Court-Fees Stamps—(contd.)													
776 Rupees	..												
800 "	..												
825 "	..												
850 "	..												
875 "	..												
900 "	..												
1,000 "	..												
TOTAL													
Notarial Stamps.													
1 Rupee	..												
Stamps for "Copies."													
2 Annas	..												
4 Annas	..												
Total													
Cattle Pound Khuliyote.													
4 Annas	..												
8 "	..												
1 Rupee	..												
Total													
GRAND TOTAL													
Plain Paper.													
5 Fils	..												
Service Books.													

Abstract Account of Receipts and Issues of Stamps at

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Abstract Account of Receipts and Issues of Stamps at

Vales.	Balance of last month brought over.	Received from the Superin- tendent of Stamps.	Received from the Collector of	Total.	Amount in rupees.	Sold during the month.	Amount of sales.	Issued to the Collector of	Spoilt or obsolete stamps returned to the Superin- tendent of Stamps.	Total.	Amount in rupees.	Balance.	Amount in rupees.
Brought forward ...													
Impressed Sheets (Non-Judicial)—contd.													
20 Rupees ...													
23 " 8 annas ...													
25 " ...													
27 " 8 " ...													
30 " ...													
32 " 8 " ...													
35 " ...													
37 " 8 " ...													
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262 " 8 " ...													
275 " ...													
287 " 8 " ...													
300 " ...													
312 " 8 " ...													
325 " ...													
337 " 8 " ...													
350 " ...													
362 " 8 " ...													
Carried over ...													

in pursuance of Act I of 1879 and Act VII of 1870, for the month of

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Stamp Form No. 2.

Abstract Account of Receipts and Issues of Stamps at

Stamp Form No. 2.

VALUES.	Balance of last month brought over.	Received from the Superintendent of Stamps.	Received from the Collector of	Total.	Amount in rupees.	Sold during the month.	Amount of sales.	Issued to the Collector of	Spoilt or obsolete stamps returned to the Superintendent of Stamps.	Total.	Amount in rupees.	Balance.	Amount in rupees.
<i>Adhesive Revenue Stamps.</i>													
1 Anna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Adhesive Foreign Bill Stamps.</i>													
2 Annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 Rupee	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 " 8 annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2 Rupees	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
18 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Adhesive Share Transfer Stamps.</i>													
2 Annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 Rupee	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 " 4 annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2 Rupees 8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3 " 12 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 " 4 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7 " 8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
20 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Bills of Exchange or Hundis.</i>													
<i>New Impressed Hundis—</i>													
2 Annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 Rupee	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 " 8 annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2 Rupees 4 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4 " 8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7 " 8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
16 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Hundis of old design—</i>													
2 Annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 Rupee	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1 " 8 annas	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2 Rupees	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4 " 8 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carried over	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Dated

1889

The ^{my} Titaghur
Paper Mills Com-
pany "Limited"

— and —

The Secretary of
State for India in
Council

— Contract for —

Supply of water marked

paper

8. Ans



8. Ans

Articles of Agreement

Made
and entered into this Twenty Eighth -
day of December One thousand -
eight hundred and eighty nine
Between the Titaghur Paper Mills
Company, Limited, a Joint -
stock Company, with limited -
liability duly registered and
incorporated under the Indian
Companies Act 1882 and -
having their registered Office
at No 136, Canning Street, in
the Town of Calcutta, hereinafter
called the said Company on the
one part and The Secretary of
State for India in Council
hereinafter

hereinafter called the said Secretary of State of the other part, Whereby it is mutually covenanted and agreed by and between the said parties as follows:-

1. The said Company shall for the period of Five years commencing from the First April One thousand eight hundred and ninety one supply the said Secretary of State with water marked paper of a quality equal to the sealed sample deposited with the Superintendent of Stamps and Stationery at Calcutta (hereinafter called the said Superintendent) and shall at all times during the said period keep in stock either at the Mills or in the Godowns of the

*Contract from
1st April 1891*

the said Superintendent at Calcutta a supply equal to three months consumption which is estimated at eight thousand reams.

2. In the meantime -- and before the said Contract period shall commence, the said Company shall take the necessary measures to equip their Mills with machinery and appliances sufficient to enable them to undertake and perform the said Contract and as a guarantee for their so doing they shall on the execution of these presents endorse to the said Secretary of State and deliver to the said Superintendent Government four per cent securities of the

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has value of Rupees five thousand which shall be held and retained by the said Superintendent as security for as well the due performance by the Company of their engagement to place themselves in readiness to take up the said Contract on the said first day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety one as also for the due observance and performance by the Company of the terms and conditions of the said Contract after the said first day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety one.

3. — The paper to be supplied under

Under this Contract shall be manufactured with a water mark in accordance with a design which together with the dandy roll required for the purpose shall be supplied by the said Superintendent and the said Company shall not nor will permit the said design to be used for any paper other than that manufactured for Government under this Contract and shall and will at all times cause the said dandy roll and design to be kept under lock and key in charge of a responsible officer of the Company when not in actual use.

4. The size of each sheet of paper to be supplied by the Company under this Contract shall be thirteen and a half inches by eight and a half inches, and the same shall be put up in reams each ream containing four hundred and eighty sheets and weighing seven pounds nett. The price to be paid for such paper to the Company by the said Secretary of State shall be seven annas per pound or Rupees three and one anna per ream.

5. The Company shall cause each ream to be packed in a closed cover or wrapper sealed with a stamp bearing the name of the Company and shall attach to each such cover or wrapper a label signed by a responsible officer of the Company certifying that the packet contains the required number of sheets viz four hundred and eighty.

480 sheets
weight of 7 lbs
Price 7 annas per lb
or Rs 3-1-0 per ream

6 The Company shall deliver the said paper
at such times and in such quantities (not in excess
of eight thousand reams for each period of three months)
as the said Superintendent shall from time to time
direct at the Godowns of the Stamps and Stationary
Department in Calcutta each delivery to be made
within seven days after receipt by the Company of
the indent there for all short supplies shall be made
good and all supplies rejected as not equal to
the sample shall be removed by the Company and
replaced by other samples of approved quality
within seven days after the date originally pres-
cribed for the delivery in respect of which default
has been made failing which the said Superinten-
dent may cause to be procured in such way and
by such means as to him shall seem fit such
quantity as has been short supplied or rejected
as the case may be and the Company shall
thereupon pay or at the option of the said Superinten-
dent allow to be deducted from money due to the
Company or from their said Security deposit as
well such sum as the said Superintendent may
estimate as the actual expense caused to Government
by the Company's default as also the ten percent
of the contract price of the quantity short delivered
or rejected and not replaced within the prescribed
time which percentage is hereby fixed and agreed
to as a reasonable Compensation to be made for the
inconvenience caused to Government over and above
the

the direct money loss caused by the Company's
default all deductions from the said Security
deposit shall forthwith be made good by the Company.
7. The Company shall cause a register to be
kept at the Mills showing the actual daily out-
turn of the paper in rolls sheets and reams and
also the quantity spoilt in the course of manu-
-facture or other processes and destroyed to be
eventually repulped. Such registers shall be
open at all reasonable times to the inspection
of the said Superintendent or such officer as
he may depute in that behalf and the said
Superintendent or such officer as aforesaid
shall at all reasonable times be at liberty to
inspect and verify and check the supply to
be kept as herein before provided by the Company
in stock at the Mills and shall be given every
facility by the Company for the purpose and
in the event of the Government deeming it
necessary at any time to appoint an officer to
superwise the manufacture of the said paper
the Company shall at their own expense
provide suitable accommodation for him at
their Mills and allow him all necessary faci-
-lities for enabling him to duly supervise the
manufactures.

8. The Company shall cause the paper
when manufactured to be kept distinct from
the other paper manufactured by the Mills and
lodged in a safe room or rooms under lock

and Key and shall have all employes connected
therewith searched before leaving the premises
and in the event of any sheet or sheets being
found in the unlawful possession of any person
or persons and proved to have been stolen from
the mills the company shall pay or allow to
be deducted from money due to them or from
their security deposit in respect of each stolen
sheet a penalty not exceeding fifty times the price
per sheet at which the paper is sold by Government
to the public.

N. 9. In the event of any accident happening
to the Mills or the Machinery necessitating
stoppage of manufacture the company shall
forthwith give notice thereof to the said Super-
intendent and in such case the provisions
contained in clause 6 for enforcing penalties
for short supplies shall be suspended for
a period of six months from the date of such
accident occurring but if the company
shall not

not within the said period of six months
make good the said supplies and bring
their stock up to the required amount
the said Superintendent shall forthwith
be at liberty to enforce the said provi-
sions in respect of the deficient supply.

10. The Company shall not nor
will assign or sublet this contract or any
part thereof without the written sanction
of the said Superintendent first had and
obtained.

11. In the event of the said
Company being unable on the said first
day of April one thousand eight hundred
and ninety one to take up this contract
or in the event of their assigning or
subletting this contract without such
written consent as aforesaid or neglecting
or refusing to comply with any written
requisitions of the said Superintendent
which he can lawfully make under the
present contract within seven days
after receipt of such requisition the
said Superintendent shall be at liber-

to rescind this agreement and the said security deposit shall thereupon become forfeited to and become the absolute property of Government. But such forfeiture shall be no bar to an action by the said Secretary of State for the recovery from the Company of any loss or damage which the said security deposit shall be insufficient to cover.

12. Payments on account of the water marked paper at the rate mentioned in clause 4 of these presents shall be made by the said Superintendent on the same principle and in the same manner as those for other paper supplied by the same mills that is by Bills on the Accountant-General, Bengal, to be granted within fourteen days of the acceptance of a supply into the store.

3. Provided the Company shall at all times during the continuance of the said contract conform to and perform and observe all and every of the terms and conditions herein —

contained

renewed
Contract upon
the same terms
for the like term

contained the said Secretary of State shall not nor will obtain supplies of the paper hereby contracted for from any other source or sources and shall and will at the end of the said term renew the contract upon the same terms and for the like period. In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereto set their respective hands and seals the day and year first above written.

The Common seal of the above named Titaghur Paper Mills Company Limited was hereto affixed in the presence of.

Sd/L.P. Delves
Brought
Sd/E.H. Burge

Payments to be by
bills on Accountant
General - Bengal
within 14 days of
the acceptance of
supply

Sd/M. Anderson,
Assistant to Messrs
F.W. Heilgers & Co.
136 Canning Street,
Calcutta.
Board of Revenue, L.P.
Sd/J. Knox Ord.
Superintendent.


Titaghur Paper
Mills Coy. Ltd.
Sd/F.W. Heilgers
Managing Agent
Sd/R. Drake
Offg. Suptt. of
Stationery

Copy of letter No. 35-B, dated Calcutta, the 15th January 1897, from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue L.D., to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Financial Department.

Stamps

The Honble Mr.
W. H. Grimley

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Government Order No. 6359 M.S., dated the 31st December 1896, forwarding for report copy of a letter No. 5053, dated the 10th idem, together with its enclosure, from the Government of Madras, making certain enquiries regarding the arrangements in force for the supply to the public of a special kind of paper used in the courts of the Lower Provinces for documents and petitions under the Court Fees Act 1870. In reply, I am to report as follows:—

2. To provide against adhesive Court fees stamp being affixed to documents written on paper unfitted for the purposes of record, the Government of India approved of a special kind of paper for use with court fee labels. ~~The size of this paper for use with~~

W. H. McG. - Reg. No. 3016F-1,000-17-9-96.

The
Court

1896 and has approved the Board's suggestion that

long by 8 1/2 inches wide, and the use of it for the purpose intended is authorised by the High Court in their order No. 22, dated the 28th June 1872, — published at page 67 of the Calcutta Gazette of the 24th July 1872, a copy of which is submitted herewith.

The paper is kept in stock by the Superintendent of Stamps ^{sample annexed (six sheets)} and is supplied on indent to district officers who are required to apply to this paper the same kind of check and supervision as obtains in the case of stamps and to enter the necessary particulars in their monthly accounts

(Form D) rendered to the Superintendent of Stamps. ^{Copy annexed (six copies)}

3. In Bengal the stamp vending establishments at the Head quarters of districts and subdivisions consist of ex-officio vendors (generally the Treasurers, Stamp-Daroga, and the sub-divisional Nazir) and the licensed vendors of stamps and the paper is sold to the public through the latter class of vendors at one pie per sheet. Every licensed vendor of stamps who purchases from Government by payment of ready money plain paper

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of those Provinces and they are at present of the total value of Rs. 2 and upwards is allowed the same at a discount of Rs. 6 1/4 per cent or one anna in the rupee. The local officers are required to supervise the working of this arrangement in order to ascertain whether any extortion is practised by vendors of the paper in demanding from purchasers more than the fixed price of one pie per sheet.

4. A copy of the contract entered into between the Titaghur Paper Mills Co. Ltd. and the Secretary of State for India in Council for the manufacture and supply of the paper for the five years commencing from the 1st April 1891 is submitted herewith. It will appear from the concluding portion of article 4 of the contract that the cost price of the paper at the mill is Rs. 3/1 per ream. The Government has sanctioned the renewal of the contract for a further period of five years commencing from the 1st April 1896 and has approved the Board's suggestion that

rough by $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, and the use of it for the present contract seed should be omitted from the new contract.

"And shall and will at the end of the same term renew the contract upon the same terms and for the like period."

5. The system has been in force in Bengal for some time and has worked well. No complaints have reached the Board of any exactions committed or of the public being put to any inconvenience. A statement showing the receipts from the sale of the paper in the ~~Lower~~ Lower Provinces during the years 1848-49 to 1895-96 is given in the margin.

1848-49	164,864
1849-50	164,945
1850-51	154,164
1851-52	153,245
1852-53	161,291
1853-54	162,209
1854-55	168,998
1855-56	173,451
1856-57	176,951
1857-58	185,531
1858-59	184,894
1859-60	194,445
1860-61	194,194
1861-62	214,048
1862-63	220,408
1863-64	233,335
1864-65	240,100
1865-66	239,492

6. The plain paper used for court fee stamps for Bengal, Assam, Punjab and the Hyderabad assigned districts is supplied from the Central Store, Calcutta, and is sold at Rs. $\frac{4}{8}$ per ream in all these provinces. The suggestion for the introduction of the same paper into the North Western Provinces &

of those Provinces and they are at present in correspondence with the Superintendent of Stamps, Calcutta, with a view to the necessary supply of the paper being made to them through the Central Store, Calcutta.

Thos. H. Walsh
Secretary.

Circular Order No. 22

To All Judges, Judicial Commissioners and Magistrates.
Dated Calcutta, the 28th June 1872.

High Court for
Civil Side
Present.
The Honble Sir R. Bonakshi
Chief Justice
J. A. Glover,
W. Ainslie
Judges of the Court.

The Governor-General in Council
Notification No. 1756, dated 8th March last has, in the exercise of the powers conferred by section 26 of the Courts Fees Act of 1870, directed that the stamps used to denote any fee chargeable under the said Act may be either impressed or affixed, and the Court have reason to believe that, on the present stock of impressed stamps being exhausted, the exclusive use of affixed stamps for the above purpose will be enjoined.

imposed. It is important therefore to provide
for against stamps of the latter description
being affixed to documents written on
paper unfitted for the purposes of record.

It will also be convenient that the
component parts of a record should be,
as far as possible, of one uniform size.

2. The Government of India--

have approved of a description of paper,
which appears well calculated to answer
the purpose intended, being supplied
to the vendors of Courts Fees stamps for
sale to the public at one pice per sheet.

The size of this paper is $13\frac{1}{2}$ " long by $7\frac{1}{2}$ "
wide, and samples can be obtained on
application to the Superintendent of Stationery.

3. It may be a question whether judicial
and Magisterial officers could refuse to
receive an application or a petition merely
because it was not written upon paper
of a particular size or description, provided
that it was of a kind sufficiently
durable to be adapted for record; but they
clearly would be justified in refusing permis-
sion to the filing of a document written upon

paper obviously unfitted for this purpose.
If due notice be given that such a ^{discretionary} ~~description~~
~~tion~~ will be exercised whenever necessary,
and at the same time that paper of an
approved quality can be obtained from
the stamp vendor attached to each court,
it is not likely that the public will refuse
to make use of it.

11. The Court direct, therefore, that all
Judges, Judicial Commissioners and
Magistrates of Districts will have a
notice, to the ^{above} effect, put up in some con-
spicuous place in their Courts and that
they will instruct their respective subor-
nates to do so likewise. The price at which
this paper will be sold, should be mentioned
in the notices above referred to. The Superin-
tendent of Stationery should also be commu-
nicated with, through the Collector of the
District, as to the quantity of paper
that will be required, which at the outset,
will probably not be large. This, however,
will mainly depend upon the stock
of impressed stamp paper in each
District, and on this point the Court
have no information.

Municipal DEPARTMENT.



Miscellaneous BRANCH.

No. 934 Mis:

From

H. H. Risley, Esq: C. D. E.,
Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras

Dated Calcutta, the 3rd February 1897.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 5053, dated the 10th December 1896, making certain enquiries in regard to the arrangements in force for the supply to the public of a special kind of paper used in the courts of the Lower Provinces of Bengal for documents and petitions under the Court Fees Act of 1870. 2. In reply, I am to forward, for the information of the Government of Madras, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Board of Revenue No. 356, dated the 15th January 97, and of its enclosures, on the subject.

H. E. A. - Reg. No. 4503F-1,000-10-12-92.

I have the honor to be
Your most obed^t servant

H. H. Risley

Secy. to the Govt of Bengal