

Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 2193

DATED 20th May

[Despatch Abstract.]

Communicating to the Board of Revenue and to other heads of departments, G.O. P. M. 2193, stating that there is no objection to the sale of the usufruct of existing trees or of the right to cut grass in the compounds of public buildings and that the objection in G.O. 2198 M. 75-9-95, was to leasing compounds for cultivation or grazing purposes.

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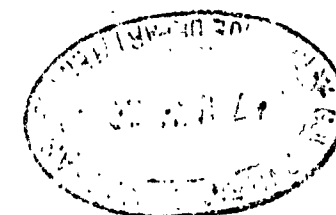
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G.O., No. 982 W., 18th April 1898.

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G.O. No. 2193 dt 20th May 98.

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Compounds of Public Buildings

To the Board of Rev (d. R.)
Other heads of receipts under RD

Stating that there is no objection to the sale of the usufruct of existing trees or of the right to cut grass in the — and that the objection in G.O., No. 2193 W., dated 5th September 1895, was to leasing compounds for cultivation or grazing purposes.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers :—

From V. A BRODIE, Esq., Collector of Gódvári, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Cocanada, 14th January 1898, Ref. No. 4812/Ver. of 1897.

I have the honour to state that the Executive Engineer, Central Division, Gódvári, points out on the authority of G.O., No. 2198 W., dated 5th September 1895, (copy enclosed) that the leasing of the compounds of public buildings to private individuals is a "highly irregular proceeding." In this district (and elsewhere I believe) the usufruct of the fruit trees and grass growing in the compounds of public offices in the occupation of this department are annually sold. All that seems to be objected to in the above-quoted Government Order is the leasing out of compounds for cultivation; and there seems to be no objection to leasing out the usufruct of fruit trees and the right to cut and remove the grass. Not to do this is to throw away revenue and is also to tempt subordinates of offices to appropriate the fruit and grass themselves. I solicit the Board's instructions on the subject.

ENCLOSURE.

G.O., dated 5th September 1895, No. 2198 W., Public Works.

From G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., District Judge, Gódvári, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side, Madras), dated Rajahmundry, 23rd July 1895, No. 953.

I have the honour to state that I received yesterday G.O., No. 486, dated 22nd April 1895, communicating Public Works G.O., dated 28th March 1895, ordering me at once to clear from which have been placed there.

2. The compound was handed over by the Public Works Department on 7th November 1892. It then contained fruit trees as per margin and since then no other trees have been planted; but in February 1894, with the sanction of Mr. Ross, District Judge, the compound was leased for five years at Rs. 42 per annum and there are now 34 plantain trees.

3. The shed is not a cattle shed as Government seems to suppose, but a water-pandal erected by the local union and maintained by local funds for the convenience of the public who attended the Court.

4. When the Executive Engineer wrote to me in December, I attended to his representations, but as the contract is for a term of years and the water-pandal is a public benefit, I decided not to interfere and I told him so.

5. In obedience to the Government Order now received, I shall move the water-pandal out of the compound, but the contractor cannot be ejected until 1899, as he holds a lease.

No. 2077.

Forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George.

(By order.)

MADRAS,
2nd August 1895.

(Signed) D. W. G. COWIE,
Ag. Registrar.

No. 1851, Judicial.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Under Secretary.

OOTACAMUND,
9th August 1895.

Order—dated 5th September 1895, No. 2198 W., Public Works.

His Excellency the Governor in Council observes that it is a highly irregular proceeding to lease the compound of a public building to a private party, and although Mr. Mackenzie states that no trees have been planted since 1892, it is clear that the 34 plantain trees mentioned in his letter have been planted since then.

2. The District Judge will be called on to report the terms of the lease, and whether it can be cancelled. If this can be done on the payment of a moderate compensation, it should be so arranged. It will be considered hereafter whether Mr. Ross should not be called on to defray the charges incurred.

3. Mr. Mackenzie has misunderstood the statement as regards the sheds. There is a "shed" in the compound of the new Court-house which is used as a water-pandal and there is a cattle shed in the old Court-house building. For the latter, the Postal Department is responsible.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

Reference on the above, No. 137, dated 9th February 1898.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

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

Mis. No. 1175, Revenue.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
8th March 1898.

(Signed) N. E. MARJORIBANKS,
Ag. Under Secretary to Government.

ORDER—No. 982 W., dated 18th April 1898.

There is no objection to the sale of the usufruct of existing trees or of the right to cut (not graze or uproot) grass in the compounds of public buildings. The objection in G.O., No. 2198 W., dated 5th September 1895, was to leasing compounds for cultivation or grazing purposes.

(True Extract.)

S. S. Roberts
Under Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.
" the Consulting Architect to Government.
" the Superintendent of Works, Light-house division.
" the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" the Revenue Department.
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