Revenue (1898) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 320

Dated 27th May 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Village Police Officers.

Concurring in the views expressed by the Bd. of Rev. as to how far barbers, barbers, pariahs and sirdars in Zamindari Villages can be regarded as ——/ and accepting the Bd's proposal to modify the instructions conveyed in paragraph 5 of Bd's Pro. No. 726 of 17 Dec. 91, so far as barbers in such are concerned.

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Revenue (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 3153

From The Board of Revenue
Land Revenue
Madras.

Order

Ref No. 458.

Dated 22nd April 1898.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting for the orders of Government, with remarks, letter from the Collector of Ganjam requesting instructions as to whether Barik Paiks and certain other officers in the District should be treated as Village Police Servants or Talaries under Act II of 1894.

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From, H. D. Taylor Esquire I.C.S
Ag Collector of Ganjam

To, The Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue
Madras.

Dated Chatrapur 20th March 1898.

Sir,

Referring to the note to Col: 7 printed at the foot of form A at page 7 of Board's Proceedings No. 350 dated 19th October 1897, I have the honor to request Board's orders as to whether Barikies, Barbers, Paiks and Sidars in the Zemindary villages in this district should be classed under the head "Taliyari" or "Kavalgars" and so included in the list to be furnished by Proprietors under sec: 5 of Act II of 1894

2. In most zemindari villages in this District, in addition to Daudasis who correspond to Taliyaries or Kavalgars

there are Barikies and Barbers. Barikies correspond to Vethis. Barikies and Barbers in addition to their ordinary duties occasionally carry remittances to the Zemindar. In villages where there are no Daudasis, Barikies who are called Barijas in the Uriya villages occasionally do also the duties of Daudasies. It is true that in some cases Barbers do the work of village officers as supplemental to the ordinary village Establishment, but I do not think that the Act is intended to apply to such cases. Specific mention of the offices of Barikis and Vethis have been expressly omitted from the Act and only Talyaries or village Police entered. I do not think that such officers can be intended to come

come within the scope of the enquiry as though referred to in note to Col. 7 of B. P. No. 350 / 1909 unless they discharge the entire duties of a Talyari or Village Police and in the absence of any other village servant to whom those duties are specially assigned. It is not possible to rely solely on the Name attached to the office, nor is it possible to accept the fact that a servant performs one of the duties of an office notified under the Act. I consider that it is intended that the village staff should be looked at as a whole.

3. In all the Zemindaries in the District there are Paiks and Sirdars corresponding to the Paiks in the Govt. Taluk of Goomsur who have been declared to be village Police vide G.O. No. 2457 Mis. dated 24th June 9 Communicated with Board's Proceedings No. 238 dated 2nd July 1896. The Ma

to the Paiks and Bidars in Zemindaries have been in a large majority of cases granted by the Zemindars subsequent to Permanent Settlement. These Paiks and Bidars are in reality the servants of Zemindars and not of the Community. They guard the palaces of Zemindars by turns and also occasionally carry remittances from villages to the Zemindars. I Consider that when separate Establish-ment of Dandasis and the like exist they should not be held to be village Police officers for the purpose of the Act- G.O. $\frac{2457}{24.6.96.}$ notwithstanding.

4 I note here that with reference to Board's Proceedings Rc. 706(LR) dated 17th Decr. 1891, barbers in Zemindaries are being treated as Artizans and

whenever service is not performed or considered unnecessary. Steps are being taken to resume and fully assess their Inams. The assessment goes to Land Revenue. Should the Board decide that with reference to the remarks in para 2, barbers in this district should be classed as Talyaries, their inams will have to be enfranchised under sec: 17 of act II of 1894 and not re-sumed: Else the Proprietary village service Fund will lose the quitrent on the same.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obt Servt.

D. Srinivasachary
for Collector.

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From

The Collector of

Ganjam

To,

The Secretary to the

Commissioner of Land

Revenue Madras.

Dated Chatrapur 20th March 98

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Subject

Requesting instructions as to whether Paiks, Sirdars, Barbers Barikies should be shewn in statement A appended to B.P. 350. L.R. d/17-10-97 regarding the introduction of the Proprietary Estates' village service Act III of 1894.

Reference on No. of 1898.

In replying the above should be quoted.

(LAND REVENUE.)

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE MADRAS

Read — letter from the Collector of Ganjam R.J.B. No. 79/Ver of 98, dated 20th March 1898.

Reference No. 458, dated 22nd April 1898.

Submitted for the orders of Government under section 2 of Act II of 1894.

2. The Board considers that Barikirs and Barbers should be regarded as Village Police Officers only in those estates or villages in which they, and no other class of Village Officers, perform all or most of the duties assigned to Talayaries in rule 8 of the rules under section 32 of the Act approved in G.O. No. 798 Rev. dated 20-9-97. Barbers were included in the footnote to Col. 7 of the form of Register prescribed under section 5, because they were classed with Naickwadies in the category of Village Pol

Servants given in Mr Pelly's correspondence relating to the revision of the village establishments in the Godavari District, while the inclusion of Barikies in the same foot-note was due to the fact that in Vizagapatam it was the practice to make the village revenue and police servants work promiscuously in either department.

3 As regards Paiks and Sirdars in Zemindaries, the test of the applicability of Act II of 1894 to them is not whether any emoluments have been attached to their offices by the State (as is the case under Act III of 95- Vide Sections 3 and 4 of that Act) but whether they are at present performing all or most of the duties of Talayaris with or without the aid of a separate establishment of Dandasies or similar servants, or whether they originally discharged such functions, though they have subsequently been employed by the Zemindars for the performance of other duties. In either of these cases the officers in question may, in the Board's opinion, be regarded as "Village Watchmen or Police officers".

4. If the view expressed in para 2 above is approved by Government, the Board will, with reference to the observations made in para 4 of the letter read above, modify the instructions conveyed in para 5 of B.P. $\frac{726}{17\text{-}12\text{-}91}$ by directing that the inams assigned to Barbers should not be resumed and laying down that they are liable to enfranchisement in those proprietary Estates or Villages where those officers and no others perform all or most of the duties of Talayaris.

Lionel Saunders

Actg. Secretary.

To

The Secretary to Govt. R.D.
with the Collector's letter in
original to be retd.

† Vide para 5 at page 85, paras 14 & 17 at pages 87 & 90, and the Stt. at page 100, of Part II of Pelly's correspondence.

⊛ Vide paras 8 & 9 at page 45 and para 15 at page 49 of Part II of Pelly's Correspondence.

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Bo. Prof no. 458/22-4-98 (Cus 3153)

To Secretary

Please see rule 5 of the rules under Sec 32 of Act II of 1894 printed in B.P. 350/19-6-97. Under this rule proprietors are to submit to the Collector a register containing particulars of all the village officers and village servants employed in their estate and of their emoluments and duties, in form A appended to the rules. The footnote to column 7 of this form says that "all "Talayaris or Kavalgars or "persons in possession of "inams attached to this class "of officers should also be "entered whether they are "known by the name of x x x "Barikirs, Dandasies x x "Barbers x x x."

2. With reference to the above instruction the Collector of Salem reports that

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most Zamindari villages, in addition to Dandasies who correspond to Talayaries or Kavalgars, there are also Barikies and Barbers the former of whom correspond to Vettis, that both Barikis and Barbers, in addition to their ordinary duties, occasionally carry remittances to the Zamindars, that in villages where there are no Dandasies, the Barikies occasionally perform the duties of the Dandasies, and that in some cases the Barbers do the work of Village Officers as supplemental to the ordinary village establishment. The Collector says that besides these, there are Paiks and Sirdars in all Zamindaries who guard the ~~palaces~~ mansions of the Zamindars by turns and occasionally carry remittances, that they are in a vast majority of Cases remunerated by

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by inams granted subsequent to the permanent settlement and that they are in reality the servants of the Zamindars and not of the Community.

3. The question for consideration is whether any, and if so, which, of the above Classes of Officers should be included in the registers to be submitted by proprietors

4. As regards Barikies and Barbers, the Board practically agreeing with the Collector is of opinion that they should be regarded as village Police officers only in those estates or villages in which they, and no other class of village officers, perform all or most of the duties assigned to Talayaris in rule 8 of the rules under Sec 32.

5. As regards Paiks and Sirdars, the Collector is of opinion that these should not be held to be village police officers when separa

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" they have subsequently
" been employed by the
" Zamindars for the per-
" formance of other duties",
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cases they may be regarded
as village watchmen or
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6. It is submitted
that the Bd's views may
be accepted in both cases,

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To the Board of Rev (L. R) - Draft
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REVENUE.

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Village Police Officers.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Reference of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), No. 458, dated 22nd April 1898 :—

Read—the following letter from H. D. TAYLOR, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector of Ganjám, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Chatrapur, 20th March 1898, R.G.B. No. 79-Ver. :—

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3. In all the zamindaries in the district there are paicks and sirdars corresponding to the paicks in the Government taluk of Goomsur who have been declared to be village police (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 2457, dated 24th June 1896), communicated with Board's Proceedings, No. 238, dated 2nd July 1896. The inams to the paicks and sirdars in zamindaries have been in a large majority of cases granted by the zamindars subsequent to permanent settlement. These paicks and sirdars are in reality the servants of zamindars and not of the community. They guard the palaces of zamindars by turns and also occasionally carry remittances from villages to the zamindars. I consider that when separate establishment of dandasis and the like exist, they should not be held to be village police officers for the purpose of the Act—G.O., No. 2457, dated 24th June 1896, notwithstanding.

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(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) LIONEL DAVIDSON,
Acting Secretary.

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

Order—No. 320, Revenue, dated 27th May 1898.

Miscellaneous.

The Government concurs in the views expressed by the Board in paragraphs 2 and 3 of its Proceedings read above, and its proposal in paragraph 4 is accepted.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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