

Revenue (1898) Department.

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G.O., No. 39

Dated 19th January 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Land assigned on Darkhast under the
Periyar Waste Land Rules. Sanctioning
certain survey establishment for two months
for carrying out the sub-division of work
and in connection with the —

Revenue
Judicial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 10149.

From

The Board of Revenue, ~~and~~
Land Revenue,
Madras.

No. 4463 Mis.

Dated 23rd November 1897

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SUBJECT.

Submg. to Govt. papers relating -
to the Collr's. proposal to entertain
a special staff of surveyors for the
~~entertainment~~ measurement of sub. ---
divisions in the Taluks of Madura &
Melur, Madura District.

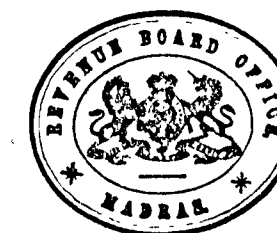
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

NO.4463 Misc.Dated 23rd.November 1897.

Read letter from J.Twigg Esqre.,Collector of Madura to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue,Madras,R.on C.No.2067-G1.dated 15th September 1897;and the following reference thereon dated 24th September 1897.

Forwarded to the Superintendent of Revenue Survey for favor of remarks.

Read letter from H.O'C.Cardozo Esqre.,Superintendent,Madras Survey to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue,Madras,No.447-B.,dated 10th November 1897.

Resolution. The papers read above will be submitted to Government with reference to its Order No.5288 Mis.dated 9th Octr.1897.

2. In his letter dated 15th September last,the Collector stated that the measurement of sub.divisions should be undertaken in the taluks of Melur and Madura in the following cases:--

- (1) Patta transfers and fully assessed village service inams
- (2) Lands taken up for the main and branch channels of the Periyar project and for distributaries from the branch channels,and

- (3) Lands recently assigned under the Periyar Darkhast rules.

3. The bulk of the sub.division work was not done by the Settlement Department,and the karnams pleaded inability to attend to it owing to the additional duties which devolved on them in connection with Periyar Irrigation.Both the Collector and the Deputy Superintendent of Survey were of opinion that a special

staff

staff of surveyors should be employed to carry out the whole of the sub. division work, as it was almost impossible to obtain from kurnams any satisfactory work of this nature. The cost of the special staff was estimated by the Deputy Superintendent of Survey at Rs. 15000.

4. The Superintendent Madras Survey, to whom the above proposals were referred by the Board for remarks now states that out of the estimated cost of Rs. 15000 a sum of Rs. 4950 may be recovered from the landholders under section 7 of the Madras Survey and Boundaries Act (IV of 1897) as being the cost of hired labor. With a view to further reduce the cost he suggests that the urgent portion of the work, relating to the lands recently assigned, under the Periyar Darkhast rules may be done at once by surveyors at a cost of Rs. 800, and that the remaining work may be left to the kurnams staff under the supervision of surveyors. The Board agrees with the Collector Superintendent and accordingly recommends that sanction may be accorded for the entertainment of the establishment noted in the margin of para 3 of the Superintendent's letter.

5. The Collector will be requested to arrange for the remaining sub. divisions being carried out by the kurnams under the supervision of surveyors and to submit proposals as to the number and cost of the surveyors required for supervising the work.

(True Copy & Extract)

Ree
Secretary.

TO

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with 2 letters & 3 enclosures to be returned.

The Collector of Madura.

Q.B.

C.B. 37/19-1-98

Collector's letter of 15-9-97 No 2057 in the current flagged B.

* Rule 4 of the Rules printed in Appendix B P 355 (R.D.) 11.11.95
Go No 4817 of 28.11.95 flagged A

C.3/1/98

Read again G.O. 5288
C No. 10179 of 97
9.10.97

For orders.

With the Current read above, the Board of Revenue submits proposals for carrying out the work of measuring and plotting sub. divisions of survey fields which has to be done in the Madura and Melur Taluks of the Madura District, under the following circumstances:

1. Portions of survey fields have been taken up in 3,579 Cases for the Periyar main and branch channels as well as for distributaries from the branch channels.
2. Portions of survey fields have been assigned under the Periyar Darkhast Rules in 2,832 Cases.
3. On account of putta transfers, fields have to be sub. divided in 1624 Cases.
4. On account of resumption and fully assessed service inams, sub. divisions have

has to be made in 1901 Cases.
(5) 34,271 ~~Cases~~ subdivisions have now to be surveyed, as the work was not done at the time of the Settlement by the Revenue Settlement Department which merely apportioned the survey area of the entire field ^{on} ~~among~~ the several subdivisions in accordance with their paimash extent.

2/ The Kurnams who should have done the work referred to in items (3) & (4) above, pleaded that they were unable to attend to it on account of the additional work which they had to do in connection with the Periyar Irrigation. The Special Deputy Collector, thought that the ~~sub~~ whole of the sub. division work which remains to be done in the 44,207 Cases above mentioned could be done by the Kurnams if extra assistance was given to them. The Collector, Mr. Twigg, however rejected this

Mr Cardoso's letter of 10.11.97.
No. 447 ^{in the current} flagged ~~B~~

this idea as impracticable on the ground that even on the ordinary course it is impossible to get any satisfactory sub. division work done by Kurnams; and he agreed with the Deputy Superintendent, Revenue Survey, Mr MacHutchin, who considered that a special staff of surveyors should be employed under his supervision to carry out the whole of the work, and estimated the ^{total} cost at Rs 15,000.

The Superintendent, Madras Survey, however, to whom the matter was referred by the Board of Revenue, is of opinion that the more urgent part of the work, namely, the measurement of the lands assigned ~~recently~~ recently under the Periyar darkast rules, may be done at once by surveyors at a cost of Rs ~~to~~ 800; and that the remaining work ought to be left to the Kurnams who are to be supervised

by

has by Surveyors.

(5). The Board accepts Mr.

Cardozo's view and accordingly solicits sanction for the entertainment of the marginally noted establishment for two months.

The Board has also asked the Collector to arrange for the remaining sub-division work being carried out by Kurnaus and to submit proposals for the number and cost of the surveyors required for supervising the work.

It is submitted that the Govt. may express concurrence in the views of Mr. Cardozo & the Board of Revenue, sanction the establishment now asked for and await the further proposals which the Collector has been asked to submit.

A draft order is appended for approval.

See

The draft is submitted but it is for consideration whether the Collector is not right whether the whole work ought not to be done by surveyors. The Kurnaus survey is a pleasant theory but does not seem to answer in practice.

* Submitted that it was to be the final Dept. for concurrence as to the expenses involved.
W/lt H. H.
has mentioned

20 field surveyors @ Rs 12 each
2 deputy do @ Rs 20 each
1 head surveyor @ Rs 80 -
5 peons @ Rs 6 each
Total Rs 390 per month

I agree with the Secy. It is essential that the lands assigned under the Pargana rules should be measured at once. I am inclined to think, too, to think that the work connected with land before up for channels & distribution will have been done by the Special Enablers, but we shall see what the Commr says in answer to the R.D.

JG
5/1/98

H. H.

The draft may be appended, which accepts the Board's proposals.

The special survey establishment will cost say about Rs 800. The work on which it will be employed is specially urgent, & such as requires more technical experience than Kurnaus have. The rest of the subdivision work is of a kind which Kurnaus can usually do satisfactorily especially if supervised by a trained Surveyor, & they may be set to it at once.

The completion may be difficult not so much from its character as from the amount of it: but if it gets hopelessly increased the J. H. may come up again with proposals for assistance.

The file is sent to H. H. before it goes to the Secy as the financial part will depend on the views entertained by H. H. as to the conduct of the whole of the work.

8/7/97

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(5)

To Fin. Dept.

With Fin. Dept. approve an establishment being entertained on the scale mentioned in the notes in this Dept., sending the file to H.H. in charge of the Fin. Dept. if they think necessary.

E.V. 7.1.8

HM

For orders.

The amount required (Rs 800) can be found from savings under 6 stamps -

At 14.1.98

Cmb.
10.1.98

Read again G.O. 5288
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G.O. (Press) No 398 of 19th Jan. 1898

The Govt agree with the Board of Revenue and the Superintendent, Maras Survey, and is pleased to sanction the ~~entertainment~~ of the following establishment for two months for carrying out the sub-division work which has to be done ^{arising} in connection with the lands assigned on darkast under the Periyar

Waste land rules, -

- 20 field Surveyors on Rs 12 each
- 2 deputy surveyors on Rs 20 each
- 1 head surveyor on Rs 80
- 5 peons on Rs 6 each.
2. The Board of Revenue is requested to submit the necessary proposition statement at an early date.
3. The question of the provision of funds will be considered in the Financial Department.

the entertainment for two months of the following establishment:

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19/1/98

To the Board (L.R.) with Encl.

To the Financial Dept

12/12/97
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There appears to be no saving
(5) Under 3 C. Revenue Survey
Hence para 3 of the draft &c.

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estimated for 1898. in the budget
at Rs. 913 (Rs. 5-11-7)
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Sanctioning certain survey establishment for two months for carrying out the sub-division
work arising in connection with the —

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following G.O., Mis. No. 5288, Revenue, dated 9th October 1897 :—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Mis. No. 3703, dated 1st October 1897 :—

Read—the following letter from J. TWIGG, Esq., Collector of Madura, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated 21st September 1897, R.O.C. No. 2067-Gl. :—

In continuation of my letter, R.O.C. No. 2067, dated 15th September 1897, asking for sanction for the entertainment of a special staff of surveyors, I have the honour to give below the results of the sales of waste lands up to date for the purpose of showing that the project can well afford the cost :—

Village.	Extent.	Sale-proceeds.
	ACS.	RS.
Nirethan	76.03	16,540
Rajagambirem	217.86	24,537
Kalikappan	611.72	47,179

2. It is very desirable that the survey work should be carried through as early as possible.

Resolution—Mis. No. 3703, dated 1st October 1897.

Submitted to Government with reference to paragraph 3 of its order, Mis. No. 4530, dated 30th August 1897.

2. Calculated on the totals given in the Collector's letter, the average value realized by the sale of lands in three villages varies from Rs. 77 to Rs. 218 per acre. The report as regards the sale of lands in the other three villages is awaited.

3. The application for the entertainment of a special staff of surveyors, alluded to in the letter read above, has been referred for the remarks of the Superintendent, Madras Survey, and will be submitted to Government at an early date.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Order—Mis. No. 5288, Revenue, dated 9th October 1897.

Recorded, pending receipt of the further report referred to in paragraph 2 and of the application mentioned in paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Mis. No. 4463, dated 23rd November 1897 :—

Read—the following letter from J. TWIGG, Esq., Collector of Madura, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Kodaikānal, 15th September 1897, R.O.C. No. 2067-Gl. :—

In connection with the sub-division of survey fields rendered necessary by the Periyār project in the Madura and Mēlūr taluks, I have the honour to submit the following proposals for the orders of the Board.

2. There are 101 villages in the Madura and 34 in the Mēlūr taluk affected by the Periyār project. The lands taken up for the main and branch channels in these villages are mostly portions of fields which have not yet been regularly sub-divided, and there is no record or sketch either in the taluk or village to show which precise portion of a field was so acquired. The lands that are being acquired for distributaries from the branch channels are also portions of fields, and these will have to be similarly sub-divided; but the number of sub-divisions have not yet been ascertained. Sub-divisions have also to be made in most of the cases of lands recently assigned under the Periyār darkhast rules. This last is the most urgent and the most difficult part of the work—urgent, because delay may mean delay in bringing land under wet cultivation and difficult because it is not a question of plotting and measuring sub-divisions which are marked on the ground, but of dividing fields for the first time into plots of given area with only the general position of each plot to go upon.

3. The enclosed statements show the amount of sub-division work remaining to be done in each village in the two taluks both in connection with the project and otherwise, such as patta transfers and fully assessed village service inams. The latter work should have been done by the karnams before this; but nowhere in the district have I yet been able to get a respectable amount of such work done. In the case of the villages now under reference, the karnams have the excuse that, of late, their time has been very much taken up with work in connection with Periyār, irrigation and attending on various officers to give the information they required, and I think it impossible to expect them to do even the ordinary sub-division work within a reasonable time.

4. The bulk of the arrears appears under sub-divisions made at the time of Revenue Settlement, some of which have not yet been surveyed. There are 5,522 such cases in the Madura taluk which have been surveyed but not plotted and 25,280 more cases in the same taluk which have not been surveyed at all and in the Mēlūr taluk there are 8,991 such cases requiring to be surveyed. This is work which ordinarily should have been done by the Revenue Settlement Department at the time of the Revenue Settlement and not left to the karnams to do along with their ordinary work. Including these, the Deputy Superintendent in charge of No. 5. Sub-division estimates that the cost of surveying all the sub-divisions will be about Rs. 15,000 (*vide* his estimate enclosed). Excluding the arrears at the Revenue Settlement, the cost of carrying out the remaining sub-divisions will not exceed Rs. 4,000. This estimate is based on the supposition that a field surveyor can do three sub-divisions a day.

5. The special Deputy Collector thinks that the whole work can be done by the karnams if extra assistance is given to them; but seeing that even in the ordinary course it is almost impossible to get any satisfactory sub-division work done by karnams, I have no hesitation in rejecting this idea as impracticable and agree with the Deputy Superintendent in considering that a special staff of surveyors should be employed under his supervision to carry out the whole of the work—ordinary and extraordinary—that remain to be done.

6. I beg that the Board will be pleased to obtain the sanction of Government to this proposal in communication with the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

Reference on the above, dated 24th September 1897.

Forwarded to the Superintendent of Revenue Survey for favour of remarks.

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

Read—the following letter from H. O'C. CARDOZO, Esq., C.I.E., Superintendent, Madras Survey, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated 10th November 1897, No. 447-B. :—

[Reference.—Board's Proceedings (Land Revenue), dated 24th September 1897, on General Register No. 4605 of 1897, forwarding, for remarks of the Superintendent of Survey, letter from the Collector of Madura, No. 2067-Genl. of 1897, dated 15th September 1897, regarding the measurement of 41,207 sub-divisions in Madura and Mēlūr taluks.]

I have the honour to return the enclosures to the Proceedings under reply with the following remarks.

2. Mr MacHutchin's estimate, Rs. 15,000, may be accepted, but it includes Rs. 4,950, cost of labour, which, under Act IV of 1897, section 7, will be recoverable from landholders.

The cost to Government of this sub-division measurement will therefore be Rs. 10,050 or about Rs. 39 per square mile if the work is performed by surveyors.

The cost of the entire resurvey by karnams of the adjoining district of Trichinopoly was Rs. 44 per square mile.

3 I would suggest that the more urgent part of the work, mentioned in paragraph 2 of the Collector's letter, viz., measurement of lands recently assigned under the Periyār darkhast rules, may be done by surveyors.

From the enclosures to the Collector's letter it appears that there are only 2,832 sub-divisions of this nature and 20 surveyors ought to be able to complete this portion of the work in about two months at a cost of about Rs. 800*.

* 20 Field Surveyors at Rs. 12	...	240
2 Deputy Surveyors at Rs. 20	...	40
1 Head Surveyor at Rs. 80	...	80
5 Peons at Rs. 6	...	30
Contingencies	...	10

Total ... 400

For two months ... 800

4. The measurement of the remaining 41,375 sub-divisions, which is less urgent, ought, I think, to be undertaken by the karnams supervised by surveyors. The cost will depend upon the time occupied, but it ought certainly to be very much less than if surveyors only were employed.

Resolution—Mis. No. 4463, dated 23rd November 1897.

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(True Copy and Extract.)

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

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with two letters and three enclosures, to be returned.
„ Collector of Madura.

ORDER—No. 39, Revenue, dated 19th January 1898.

Miscellaneous.

The Government agrees with the Board of Revenue and the Superintendent, Madras Survey, and is pleased to sanction, for carrying out the sub-division work arising in connection with the lands assigned on darkhast under the Periyār waste land rules, the entertainment for two months of the following establishment :—

20 Field Surveyors on	...	...	...	...	...	Rs. 12 each
2 Deputy Surveyors on	...	...	...	...	...	20 „
1 Head Surveyor on	...	...	...	...	...	80
5 Peons on	...	...	...	...	...	6 each

2. The Board of Revenue is requested to submit the necessary proposition statement at an early date.

3. The question of the provision of funds will be considered in the Financial Department.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), with enclosures.
„ the Financial Department.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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