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Revenue (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 1323



From

The Board of Revenue, Land
Revenue, Madras.

No. 657 Misc.

Dated 20th February 1899

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SUBJECT.

Sanctioning the purchase of 20 hanging lamps with spare chimneys - at the prices not exceeding Rs.10 - for use in certain offices in the Kistna Dt. & requesting the sanction of Govt. for the supply of 29 more - lamps at Rs.11 each with spare chimneys as proposed by the Collector.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue).

No. 657 Misc. Dated 20th February 1899

Read the following papers:—

(1). Letter from R. Morris Esq., Ag. Collector of Kistna to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras, C. No. 1281-B&G/'98, dated 10th November 1898; and reference thereon No. 1360, dated 30th November 1898.

(2). Also letter from the same officer, R. C. No. 1281-B&G/'98, dated 14th January 1899, informing that there is sufficient provision under "11 Forests" for purchase of hanging lamps, but that owing to insufficiency of funds under "19 A Law and Justice", the purchase of lamps for ^{the} Stationary Sub-Magistrates' offices was recommended under Land Revenue; and reference thereon No. 98, dated 27th January 1899.

(3) Also letter from A. L. Hannay Esq., Registrar of the High Court of Judicature, Madras, Ref. on Cur No. 304/99, dated 2nd February 1899, stating that no ascertained surplus is forthcoming under 19 A Law and Justice to meet the cost of the lamps, viz., Rs. 142 required for the use of the Stationary Sub-Magistrates' offices in the District of Kistna.

(4) Also letter from the same officer, Ref. on Cur. No. 304/99, dated 6th February 1899.

Resolution

In the first letter read above, the Collector of —

Kistna.

	No. of lamps--	Price of required each lamp	Total cost
		Rs	Rs. s. d
11 Taluk offices	11	11	121-0-0
	spare chimneys		8-4-0
8 Stationary Sub-Magistrates' offices	8	11	88-0-0
	spare chimneys		6-0-0
-----DO-----	8	5-8-0	44-0-0
	spare chimneys		4-0-0
8 Deputy Tahsildars	8	11	88-0-0
-----DO-----	8	7	56-0-0
	spare chimneys		8-0-0
District Forest office	2	11	22-0-0
Treasury Dy. Collector	3	5-8-0	16-8-0
	spare chimneys		1-8-0
Sub-jail, Avanigadda	1		3-4-0
			466-8-0

Kistna requests
sanction for --
the purchase
of several ----
Ditmar's hanging
lamps with ----
spare chimneys
for use in the
marginally-noted
offices in the
district. He con-
siders that the
castor oil lamps
in use in these

offices are dirty, flickering and dangerous and should be dispensed ---
with as in ^{the} other Revenue offices in the district where hanging lamps -
have already been introduced. In these circumstances, the Board sanctions
the supply of 20 hanging lamps with spare chimneys at the ----
prices not exceeding Rs. 10 each and requests the sanction of Government
for the purchase of the remaining 29 lamps at Rs. 11 each with spare --
chimneys as proposed by the Collector.

As hanging lamps can now be had in any quantity in Madras, the Col-
lector will be requested to consider the question of purchasing these
articles locally instead of sending for them from Bombay.

2. The cost of the lamps required for Stationary Sub-Magis-
trates' offices and the District Forest officer, is debitable to 19 A -
Law and Justice and 11 Forest respectively. The District Forest officer
reports that there is sufficient provision under 11 Forest for meeting
the cost of the lamps required for his office. There are no savings un-
der 19 A Law & Justice and the Collector proposes that the whole of --
the expenditure except that relating to Forest should be met from the
provision of Rs. 1510 made for the current year under lighting charges
for General and sub-divisional establishments. (Vide columns 58
and 111 of the statement appended to Board's Proceedings No. 180, dated 15th July 1898).

/True, Extract/

Lonel Danden
Ag. Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Dept.,
with statement in original to be returned.
-- the Collector of Kistna.
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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

C No. 1323 of 99

From The Board of Revenue (Land Revenue)
Dated 20th February 1899.

FOR ORDERS.

The Collector of Kistna
considers that the castor oil lamps
in use in the Tahsildars, Dy Tahsildars
&c offices are dirty, flickering and
dangerous and should be dispensed
with as in the other revenue offices
in the district where hanging -
lamps have already been introduced.
He therefore requests sanction for
the purchase of several Ditmar's
hanging lamps with spare -
chimneys for use in the offices
noted below:-

Cases in which the cost does not exceed Rs 10			Cases in which the cost exceeds Rs 10		
No. of lamps	Price each Rs. s. d.	Total cost Rs. s. d.	No. of lamps	Price each Rs. s. d.	Total cost Rs. s. d.
11 Taluk offices			11	11	121-0-0
spare chimneys					8-4-0
8 Stationary Sub-Magistrates' offices	5-8	44-0-0	8	11	88-0-0
spare chimneys		4-0-0			6-0-0
8 Dy Tahsildars' offices	7-0	56-0-0	8	11	88-0-0
spare chimneys		8-0-0			
District Forest office			2	11	22-0-0
Treasury Dy Collector's office	5-8	16-8-0			
spare chimneys		1-8-0			
Sub-Jail Avanigadda	3-4	3-4-0			
Total		Rs 133-4	29		Rs 333-4

The Board is competent to sanction the purchase of Europe-made articles costing not more than Rs 10 each (vide appendix to para 1 of S.O. no. 238 (N.B.) p. 449). It has accordingly sanctioned the supply of 20 hanging lamps with spare chimneys at a cost of Rs 133-4-0, and requests the sanction of Government for the purchase of the remaining 29 lamps with spare chimneys. ~~As it is not to be supplied~~

~~Subordinate to the provisions applied to the same as provided~~

2. The cost of the lamps required for Stationary Sub. Magistrates' offices and the District Forest office is debitable to 19 A. Law & Justice and 11 Forest respectively. It appears that there is sufficient provision under 11 Forest for meeting the cost of the lamps but that there are no savings under 19 A. Law & Justice. The Collector therefore proposes that the whole of the expenditure except that relating to Forest should be met from the provision of Rs 1510 made for

for the current year under lighting charges for General and Sub-divisional establishments (vide columns 58 and 111 of the

A. statement in B.P. 1807/15-7-98. As the Financial Department alone can sanction transfers of budget allotments from one major head to another, the Collector's proposal may be approved with the concurrence of that Dept.

Rule 93 of the Budget rules D

3. In para 3(4) of R.O. (old edition) no 205, re contingencies it was ~~stated~~ ^{stated} "In the Muzas and the Salub cutcherries of some districts, large quantities of lamp-oil are purchased, and the reason appears to be that cutcherries are kept open till a late hour of the night. In some taluks, the Inholders apparently make it a rule to go to cutcherry in the middle of the day or in the evening, and to detain the whole establishment till a late hour of the night working by lamp light. This is irregular and wherever the practice exists, it should be stopped at once. The cutcherry should be opened regularly not later than 10 o'clock and closed

"about 6 o'clock in the evening,
except on any emergent occasions
and even on such occasions the
whole establishment will not be
detained. The charge for lamp-
oil will undergo strict scrutiny."
This was based on Board's circular
order No. 2 of 1866. The Board
revised the Contingencies' chapter
of the standing orders in 1893 and
in issuing the revised chapter it
observed, para 2 of S.O. 239 (N.E.)
repeated the instructions contained
in the old standing orders re the
Collector's responsibility for the
contingent expenditure of his
district and the observance of
economy in the use of lamp oil
and cloth for duplers and in the
incurring of tons charges. In the
para mentioned, it is stated
that the charge for lamp oil
should be reduced to its minimum.

But the detailed instructions
given in the old standing orders
have not been repeated.

In 1896, the Board while
sanctioning the purchase of 64
hanging lamps for the use of taluk

Para 2 of B.O. 471
18.8.93 E.

B.O. No. 286 of 28 July 1896.
Vol. put up.

offices in the Godavari district,
impressed upon the Collectors the
desirability of discouraging night-
work by the subordinates of all grades.
It observed that the punctual
attendance at office should be
insisted upon and that if strictly
enforced it would abrogate the
necessity to retain the clerks after
dark. vide B.O. 286 of 28 July
1896. It will be seen from the above
that there is no absolute prohibition
against the use of lamps.

One of the precautions to be
taken against fire in all public
offices is that no naked lights
should be used and all candles or
wicks must be protected by glass.
(vide para 6 of the rules in G.O. 1430
of 9.4.96).

It is usual to sanction the
supply of lamps to the Muzur and
Taluk offices. vide G.O. 1757 of
1.4.97, 2663 of 25.5.97, 3090 of
17.6.97 & 5313 of 11.10.97.

3/9/99.
If lamps are
to be supplied, it is submitted
that they should be good ones.

The Bd's proposal may
be accepted. But it is
doubtful whether any
case is made out for
the supply of lamps.

In Panyon, the
plea of heavy work
used to be used as an
excuse for ^{Taluk Dist & Panyon Miss} working
at night. Mr Thomson

declined to pass charges
for oil. The practice
continued to some

lesser extent, the
parties interested in
getting Govt work done
supplying the oil. Then
Mr Rawson ordered all
lamps to be sold & sunset
shutting to be strictly
enforced. This was done
& no difficulty in getting
Govt work was felt.

This shows doubtless
that if the matter is
insisted on, lamps are
really not required at
all except perhaps on
occasions for short intervals
at jamabandi times.

I did the same in Tinnivelly
& Chingleput.

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Yes. This is
also my
experience

P.T.O.

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I would caution the
Panchase, as a protest against
the gross abuses that prevail
in taluk offices in connection
with the hours of work. What
the Taluk Tahs & Sub Tahs delight
to do is to come to office late
in the afternoon & this compels
them to work on till 10, 11, or
12 o'clock at night. Every M^r
& D^r M^r must have received
innumerable complaints
from the people of the
manner in which they are treated
in this respect. They are sum-
moned for say 11 in the forenoon
& they are kept hanging on
till midnight. Their witnesses
are fagged ~~stretched~~, & are
either too tired to give intel-
ligent evidence or get sulky
or desert the case.

When Tahs or Panyon establish
complaints of the ~~gross~~ light allowances
are cut down, the answer is
simple that where there is
heavy work it can in 99 cases

Read B.O. 657 und 20.2.99
(no. 1323 of 99)

G.O. (und) 1022 of 11th March 99.

The purchase of 29
Camps with spare chimneys as
proposed by the Collector, is
sanctioned.

2. The Collector's proposal referred
to in para 2 of the Proceedings
is approved.

(From orders)

11/3/99

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10/3/99

The Board of Rev (L.A.)
" Ant. Genl (thru' the Finl Dept)
" Collector of Krishna.

13.3.99

10/3/99

out of a hundred be easily
re-taken by ^{utilising the hours of darkness} beginning early
enough - at 6 AM, rather
than sit after dark.

The objection is not so much
to the expense, as largely unnecessary,
as to the great hardship to
the unfortunate people who
have to attend the public
offices

14/3/99

So far as my experience
goes I shd say that the
supply of proper lamps to
Taluk Cutcheries is
necessary for the proper
despatch of
business, and I can't
share the view that the
supply shd be withheld -

I would comply
with the Board's intent

11/3

7-3-99

Please see draft below.

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Revenue (1899) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 1022

DATED 11th March 99.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Concursing, with remarks, the
purchase of lamps for use in certain offices
of the Krishna S.C.