

Revenue (1899) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Resolving Pres. of the Gov. of Rev. (D.D.) Coming.
to all Collectors & Conservators of Forests; G.O.
R.D. Approving & Sanctioning of the B.D.
proposal that Sec. 42 of the Madras Forest
Code 843: be amended so as to permit
officers of the Forest Dept. who have lost to
receive promotion by not passing the prescribed
Exh. 9. to resume their original positions in the
list when permanently provided to the first
grade of B-44th Conservators.

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SUBJECT.

Communicating to all
Collectors and Conservators of Forests, G.O.
R.D., approving and sanctioning the
Board's proposal that section 42 of the
Madras Forest Code should be amended
so as to permit officers of the Forest
Dept. who have lost to regain pro
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Board of Revenue

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Proceedings, Forest No. 130, 13th March 1899.

MARCH.

Communicating to all Collectors and Conservators of Forests Government Order, Revenue Department, approving and sanctioning the Board's proposal that section 42 of the Madras Forest Code should be amended so as to permit officers of the Forest Department who have lost to regain promotion by not passing the prescribed examinations to resume their original position on the list when permanently promoted to the first grade of Assistant Conservators.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(LAND REVENUE).

Read—the following Government Order, No. 99, Revenue, dated 7th February 1899 :—

Read—again the following Government Order, Mis. No. 4302, Revenue, dated 3rd November 1898 :—

Read—Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Department of Revenue and Agriculture (Forests), dated Simla, the 26th September 1898, Circular No. 7—284-18-F.

Read—Circular No. 1-F., dated the 10th January 1898, asking for the views of Local Governments and Administrations in regard to the "Explanation" proposed to be added to section 39 of the Forest Department Code.

Read also—

The replies to Circular No. 1-F., dated the 10th January 1898.

Resolution.—The rule which has hitherto regulated the position of officers of the Imperial Forest Service on obtaining promotion after passing the prescribed examinations is contained in the first sentence of section 39 of the Forest Department Code and is to the effect that promotions up to and including the fourth grade of Deputy Conservators shall, *ceteris paribus*, be regulated according to priority in passing the prescribed examinations, but that when once in that grade officers should, as a general rule, be arranged on their respective provincial lists in the order of their seniority in the service.

2. The circumstances of several cases which have come under the notice of the Government of India since the rule in section 39 of the Forest Code came into operation in 1886 tend, however, to show that the rule has not worked altogether equitably—more especially where the conditions for the examination of officers serving in different provinces, but who happen to be borne on one and the same graded list, are not exactly equal. The Government of India consider, therefore, that the penalty practically imposed by section 39 is unduly severe. They have accordingly decided to amend the section so as to restrict an officer, who may not have passed the prescribed examinations, from regaining his original standing in the service only until such time as he obtains permanent promotion to the first grade of Assistant Conservators, when he will regain his original position in the service. The words "first grade of Assistant Conservators" will now be substituted for "fourth grade of Deputy Conservators" in the second line of section 39 of the Forest Department Code.

Order.—Ordered that a copy of this resolution be forwarded, for information and guidance, to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin ; and for information to the Governments of Madras and Bombay, the Inspector-General of Forests, and the Comptroller and Auditor General.

Bengal.	Assam.
North-Western Provinces and	Coorg.
Oudh.	Ajmere.
Punjab.	Andamans.
Burma.	Baluchistan.
Central Provinces.	Hyderabad.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. W. HOLDERNESS,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Revenue Department.

Order—Mis. No. 4302, Revenue, dated 3rd November 1898.
Communicated to the Board of Revenue for remarks.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

Read—also the following Reference of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 8, dated 7th January 1899 :—

Read—Government Order, Mis. No. 4302, Revenue, dated 3rd November 1898, and Reference, Forest No. 431, dated 15th November 1898.

Read—letter from J. W. CHERRY, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated 19th November 1898, No. 630.

Read—letter from H. A. GASS, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, dated 25th November 1898, No. 429.

Read—letter from E. D. M. HOOPER, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated 24th November 1898, Dis. No. 416.

Reference—Forest No. 8, dated 7th January 1899.

In reply to the Government Order read above, the Board considers that it is desirable to bring section 42 of the Madras Forest Code, second edition, into conformity with the India Code as recently amended. This proposal is supported by the Conservators, Central and Southern Circles, while the Acting Conservator, Northern Circle (Mr. Hooper) alone holds a contrary opinion.

2. There are different vernacular languages in this Presidency and the facilities for passing in them naturally differ. Moreover, as pointed out by Mr. Gass, an officer who was born and brought up in this country for several years has greater facilities for acquiring a knowledge of the vernaculars than one who comes out afresh. The Board therefore sees no reason why the position of forest officers in Madras should differ from that of their fellows in the provinces under the Government of India.

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3. Mr. Hooper, who is not in favour of the proposed amendment, does not furnish any detailed reasons in support of his opinion, but merely states that the circumstances in this Presidency render the amendment unnecessary.

(Signed) L. D. SWAMIKANNU,
for Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Conservators of Forests.

Order—No. 99, Revenue, dated 7th February 1899.

Forest No. 25.

The Board's proposals in the Proceedings read above are approved and sanctioned; the necessary amendment should be issued to section 42 of the Madras Forest Code.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).
„ Accountant-General.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 130, dated 13th March 1899.

Communicated to all Collectors and Conservators of Forests.

2. The following amendment will be issued to section 42 of the Madras Forest Code, second edition, when the next list of corrections is published :—

For the words "fourth grade of Deputy Conservators" in the second line of the section, *substitute* the words "first grade of Assistant Conservators."

(True Copies and Extract.)

Lowell Davidson
Acting Secretary.

To the Collectors of all Districts except Madras
(District Forest-officers).
„ the Conservators of Forests.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ „ Accountant-General.

Exd. Md. Pahlvan.

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