

Revenue (1899) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 1573

DATED 24 April 99

[Despatch Abstract.]

Communicating to the Board of
Revenue letter from the I. G. of Ordnance communi-
cating the decision of the Director-General of Ordnance
against the resighting carbines in possession
of the police

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Revenue (1899) Department.

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From
The Inspector of Ord. M.C.
Ordnance.

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Communicated to the Board of
Revenue with reference to its Pro^{vis} No 294
dated 21st January 1899.

No. 295- O.

Dated 8 April 1899.

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To the Board of Revenue, Sep: Rev: No. 28.4.99.

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SUBJECT.

Communicates the decision of
Director General of Ordnance against
re-sighting Carbine in possession of
the Police.

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ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

No. 275 -O.

FROM

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF ORDNANCE,
MADRAS COMMAND.

To

THE Secretary to the Government
of Madras, Revenue Department,
MADRAS.

OOTACAMUND, 8th April, 1899.

Reference:- Your No. 243-R., dated 8th February, 1899.

I have the honour to inform you that the Director General of Ordnance in India was again addressed on the subject of re-sighting the Carbines referred to and in reply stated that he had already decided against re-sighting these Carbines in charge of the Police and sees no reason why the Salt and Abkari Department should be specially treated in this matter.

E. B. Standbridge

Lieut. Col., R.A.,

Inspector General of Ordnance, M.C.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Separate Revenue),

Dated 21st January 1899.

Mis. No. 294.

Read letter from the Inspector-General of Ordnanceⁿ, Madras Command, No.15540-O, dated 3rd January 1899.

Resolution:-

The B.L.S.B. carbines supplied for the use of the Salt, Abkari and Customs Department are sighted for a point blank range of 200 yards. With this sighting they are practically useless on the short ranges used by the Department. The Inspector-General of Ordnanceⁿ, who was requested to inform the Board whether it would be feasible for the carbines supplied to this Department to be resighted for a point blank range of 70 or 80 yards, and says that, as the resighting of the armsⁿ would involve the return of all Police arms to Arsenals for the purpose, and as no complaints have been received from other Commands regarding the sighting, the Director-General of Ordnanceⁿ considers that resighting is not necessary." The Board begs the orders of Government in the

matter. In its view it does more harm than good to try to teach a man to shoot at 80 yards with a weapon sighted only for 200, and 200 yards is useless sighting for any purpose to which a carbine is likely to be put. A copy of a circular issued by the Inspector-General of Police in 1894 is enclosed to show what extreme measures have to be taken to overcome the difficulty.

(True extract.)

G. J. Alkumbis
Acting Secretary.

27.1.99.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with one enclosure.

Copy of Circular Memorandum of the Inspector-General of Police, Madras, No. 1170, dated 6th March 1894.

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- "For the present, firing with the ^{Breach} ~~Breach~~ Loading Smooth Bore Police carbine will only be practised at a distance of 75 yards.
2. At this distance these carbines are "over sighted"; in order, therefore, to allow for the rise, aim should be taken 18 inches below the bull's eye or half way between the centre and bottom of target. At this spot a second bull's eye should be painted at which men should be instructed to aim.
3. If these instructions are attended to with ordinary shooting every shot should hit the target.
4. Squads sent out to ball practice should never exceed ten(10) men.
5. The size of targets should be 6 feet X 2 feet.
6. Ball Practice Registers should be filled in on the firing ground and invariably in ink; they should be signed by the Inspector present at ball practice and, after being countersigned by the Superintendent, should be forwarded to the Deputy Inspector-General of the Range with the target Practice Return.
7. With reference to the conferring of badges for good shooting (P.O. No. 347) nothing under an average of centres at 75 yards must be considered good."

True copy

G. J. Alkumbis
Acting Secretary.

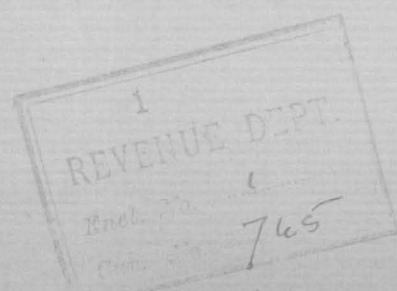
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ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

No. *Of 860*

Office of J. G. of Ordnance.

Madras Command.

Dated *Potacamund* *18 April* 1899.
~~Fort St. George, the~~*
Returned as requested.*Enclosures of your No. 243 R.,
dated 8 February 1899.**E. B. Standbrooke*
Lieut. Col. R. A.
Inspector General of Ordnance M. C.*To*
The Secretary to the
Government of Madras.
Revenue Department,
Potacamund

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