

REVENUE SETTLEMENT, AGRA ACT 1846

ACT NO VIII OF 1846

(Rep., 12 of 1876)

[5th December, 1846.]

Passed by the Hon'ble the President of the Council of India in Council on the 5th of December 1846, with the assent of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India.

An Act for determining the duration of the existing Settlement of the North Western Provinces.

WHEREAS the settlement of the Several Districts of the North Western Provinces has been made for different periods, and whereas from several causes the duration of the settlement as stated in the engagements of the Malgoozars does not always agree with that sanctioned by the Government, and whereas it is necessary to avoid the confusion and litigation which may hence arise, and also to provide for the continuance of the existing settlements till a fresh revision shall take place:

I. it is therefore hereby enacted, that the Jummah of all villages included on 1st May 1846, within the limits of the Districts in the said Provinces noted below, shall be considered fixed till the date inserted opposite site to each District, so far as regards the claim of the Government to any increase upon the Jummah determined at the time of settlement, or as it stands subsequently altered by Government prior to 1st May 1846.

Peneeput, July 1st 1872, one thousands eight hundred and seventy-two.

Hissar, July 1st 1860, one thousands eight hundred and sixty.

Delhi, July 1st 1870, one thousands eight hundred and seventy.

Rohtuck, July 1st 1870, one thousands eight hundred and seventy.

Goorgaon, July 1st 1872, one thousands eight hundred and seventy two.

Sheharunpore, July 1st 1857, one thousands eight hundred and fifty seven.

Mozuffernugger, July 1st 1861, one thousands eight hundred and sixty one.

Meerut, July 1st 1865, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-five.

Boolundshehur, July 1st 1859, one thousands eight hundred and fifty nine.

Allyghur, July 1st 1868, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-eight.

Bijnour, July 1st 1866, one thousands eight hundred and sixty- six.

Moradabad, July 1st 1872, one thousands eight hundred and seventy-two.

Budan, July 1st 1866, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-six.

Bareilly, July 1st 1867, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-seven.

Shajehanpore, July 1st 1868, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-eight.

Muttra, July 1st 1871, one thousands eight hundred and seventy-one.

Agra, July 1st 1872, one thousands eight hundred and seventy- two.

Furruckabad, July 1st 1865, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-five.

Mynpoory , July 1st 1870, one thousands eight hundred and seventy.

Etawah, July 1st 1871, one thousands eight hundred and seventy-one.

Cawnpore, July 1st 1870, one thousands eight hundred and seventy.

Futtehpore, July 1st 1870, one thousands eight hundred and seventy.

Humeerpore, July 1st 1872, one thousands eight hundred and seventy-two.

Banda, July 1st 1874, one thousands eight hundred and seventy-four.

Allahabad, July 1st 1869, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-nine.

Goruckpore, July 1st 1859, one thousands eight hundred and fifty-nine.

Azimgurh, July 1st 1867, one thousands eight hundred and sixty-seven.

II. And it is hereby enacted, that in the said Provinces, Mouzahs, standing transferred on the above date of May 1st 1846, from Districts or Pergunnhas not

permanently settled, to Districts or Pergunnhas permanently settled, shall not be held liable to any increased demand on the part of the Government, but shall be held for ever on the highest Jummah determined at the time of settlement, or as it stands subsequently altered by Government prior to 1st May 1846.

III. Provided always and it is hereby declared, that persons holding land on special grants or on leases for longer periods than those specified in Section I. shall continue to hold them according to the terms of their several grants or leases.

IV. And it is hereby enacted, that whenever a Malgoozar may be desirous to relinquish his lease on the expiration of the term of his engagement he shall be at liberty to do so, provided that he give notice thereof in open Court and in writing to the Collectors and to the Commissioner of the Division within one year before the 1st of July immediately preceding the expiration of the engagement.

V. And it is hereby enacted, that when such notice shall not have been given as aforesaid, the Malgoozar shall be held bound to pay the Jummah determined at the time of settlement, or as it stands subsequently altered by Government prior to the 1st of May 1846, for the period which may be applicable to his case according to Section 1., and subsequently from year to year till the settlement be revised, or in perpetuity according to Section II.

VI. Provided however, and it is hereby declared, that nothing in this Act shall bar the right of the Government to demand revenue from any resumed rent-free land, alluvial Towfeer, or other land which was not assessed at the time of settlement.
