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JUSTICE.

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Letter—From DAVID HALIBURTON, Esq., President, etc., Members of the Board of Revenue.

To—Captain ALEXANDER READ, Collector in the Baramahal and Salem districts.

Dated—Fort St. George, the 7th December 1792.

Government having ordered that a plan for the establishment of Courts of Civil Justice should be prepared agreeing in every essential point with the regulations established in Bengal, we herewith transmit you copy thereof after having made such alterations as local usages and peculiarities appeared to require.

2. It has been intimated to us by Government that, if after consulting with the Collectors, we think the circumstances favourable to an immediate institution of the plan in the Company's jaghir and Ceded districts, they shall have particular pleasure in giving it their sanction. Being extremely anxious to promote the early establishment of the proposed courts, we must request your immediate attention to the subject, and that you will point out what place appears to you the most proper in the districts under you for holding the Court, with any modification you think necessary for adopting the regulations more nearly to local usages.

ENCLOSURE.

REGULATIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE IN THE COMPANY'S LAND COMMONLY CALLED THE 'JAGHIR' AND THE DISTRICTS CEDED BY TIPU SULTAN.

1. That there be erected at Conjeeveram and Tiruppassur in the Jaghir and at Krishnagiri and Dindigul in the Ceded districts, Courts of Civil Judicature by the name of Provincial Adalats, and that the local extent of each be respectively as follows:—

That provincial Adalats be erected in the northern and southern divisions of the Jaghir and in the Baramahal, Salem and Dindigul districts.

(1) That the jurisdiction of the Court at Conjeeveram shall extend over the parganas of Cavantandalam, Carangooly, Outramalore, Chingleput, Covelong and Saliwak.

(2) That the jurisdiction of the Court at Tiruppassur shall extend over the parganas of Perambakkam, Sat Magans, Peddapollam, Ponneri, Chikkarikotah, Poonamallee, Manimangalam, St. Thomé and Home Farms.

(3) That the jurisdiction of the Court at Krishnagiri shall extend over the districts of Baramahal and Salem.

(4) That the jurisdiction of the Court at Dindigul shall extend over that district.

2. That the office of Judges of the several Provincial Courts be respectively held by that person, who hath, or shall hereafter have, the charge of the revenue in each respective place.

Revenue Collectors to be Judges.

3. That every person appointed a Judge of any provincial Adalat before he shall enter on the execution of his office, do, before the Governor in Council be

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