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DISCRETIONARY POWER OF COLLECTOR OF LAND REVENUE UNDER SECTION 218 OF THE LAND CODE

It would appear that there is some doubt as to the exercise of the above powers under section 218 of the land code when two pieces (or more) of land belonging in the same owner come up for sale for recovery of arrears.

- 2. This section empowers the Collector to use his discretion to apply the surplus of a sale to cover arrears of rent in respect of a second piece of land owned by some proprietor within his district. If the surplus is sufficient to settle all dues on the second piece of land, then in accordance with section 208, the Collectors shall not proceed with the sale of the second piece.
- 3. This power should not be interpreted to mean that the sale of the second land shall automatically cease once bid made in respect of the first was enough to cover all the arrears of fees of this second property. In other words, the second piece of property can still be auctioned and the sale could still be valid for the purpose of the recovery of any arrears due irrespective of what happened with firs sale unless the discretion is exercised.
- 4. Once this exercised section 208 comes into play and the Collector "shall upon receipt thereof desist from the sale".

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