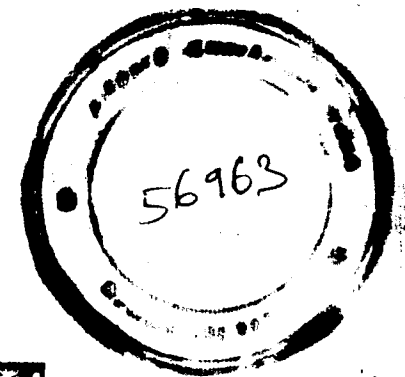


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G.O. No. 2613, P.H., 20th October 1930

Town-planning—Annual Report for 1929—Reviewed.

READ—the following paper :—

Letter from R. DANN, Esq., M.T.P.L., Director of Town Planning, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local Self Government (Public Health) Department, dated Madras the 1st August 1930, No. 1198.

Order—No. 2613, P.H., dated 20th October 1930.

Recorded.

2. The progress made by local bodies in the preparation and execution of town-planning schemes was far from satisfactory. Out of 82 municipal councils including the Madras Corporation, only 39 had taken up the preparation of town-planning schemes by the end of 1929. Twenty-seven schemes have been sanctioned by Government up to the end of 1929, of which five have been completely carried out. The Government have sanctioned two more schemes during the current year. Out of 33 local boards to whose areas the provisions of the Town-Planning Act have been extended, only eleven have taken up the preparation of town planning schemes. The Government trust that greater enthusiasm will be shown by local bodies in the development of both urban and rural areas and that they will make full use of the provisions of the Madras Town-Planning Act, 1920, as amended by Act II of 1930.

3. The Government consider that no useful purpose will be served by the constitution of Town-planning Trusts merely for the purpose of preparing schemes

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carried out. The constitution of a Town-planning Trust for the Trichinopoly Municipal Council has not therefore been approved. The Madras City and Suburban Town-planning Trust has become defunct.

4. The Government are glad to note that the Vizagapatam, Mangalore and Coimbatore Municipal Councils have got ready town-planning schemes for practically the whole of the unbuilt areas within municipal limits. They also observe with satisfaction that the Chairman, Municipal Council, Coimbatore M.R. Ry. Rao Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapathi Mudaliyar Avargal, has been successfully tackling the question of interim developments within the scheme areas where rapid growth is taking place. It is a matter for regret that most of the municipal councils are slack in this respect. The attention of the municipal councils is drawn to sections 170 (2), 176 and 198 of the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1920, and they are advised to enforce strictly the provisions of the Act in regard to construction of roads by owners and to see that no building in the areas is permitted until the above provisions of the Act have been complied with.

5. Up to the end of 1929 only 17 municipal councils have been maintaining a separate account in respect of the Town-planning Fund as laid down in G.O. No. 1115, L. and M., dated 17th March 1926. The other municipal councils concerned are advised to start a Town-planning Fund as early as possible.

6. Government had instructed local bodies to fix, in consultation with the Director of Town-Planning and the local Health Officer, a definite area for industrial development and to refuse permission for the establishment of factories outside this area. They have also requested the Collectors of districts to suspend the permission granted by local bodies for the erection of mills if it is found that they are located in unsuitable places.

7. The Government are glad to note the Town Planning Director's appreciation of the work done by his department. More enthusiasm on the part of the local bodies in the matter of preparation and execution of town planning schemes is, however, required if any substantial progress is to be achieved. Many local bodies are reluctant to undertake town-planning

schemes on the plea of want of funds. This, however, need not deter them from preparing town-planning schemes and publishing the necessary notification under section 10 of the Madras Town-Planning Act, 1920. When this is done the local body can, under section 17 of the Act, effectively control development in the area and the execution of the scheme may be spread over a number of years and undertaken by the local body as and when its finances permit.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Public Health)

HILTON BROWN,
Secretary to Government

To all Chairmen of Municipal Councils.
" the President, Corporation of Madras.
" all Collectors.
" all Presidents of District Boards.
" all Presidents of Taluk Boards.
" the Presidents of Panchayats referred to in paragraph 4 of the report.
" the Director of Town Planning.
" the Director of Public Health.
" the Sanitary Engineer.
" the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards.
" the Public Department.
" the Development Department.
" the Public Works and Labour Department.
" the Revenue Department.
" the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts

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