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[Despatch Abstract.]

Museum – Government – Plans for improvement to the existing accommodation for housing the valuables. Committee – constitution – ordered.

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Memo no 6907 A.1 Edn dated 23.2.45

Museum. Govt. Getting back of the valuable exhibits

The valuable coins and exhibits which have been removed from the Govt. Museum and deposited outside Madras for safe custody will have to be got back to the Museum soon. As the old arrangements and accommodation provided for housing these valuables can be improved upon it is suggested that a small committee should be constituted to devise ~~the means~~ plans for the new arrangements. The S.G.M is requested to suggest the names of members who may form the committee as proposed. This should be treated as urgent.

To the S.G.M.

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D.O. No. 305-1/45

Government Museum, 3/665 3

Madras, 27th February 1945.

Subject: Museum - Government - Getting back of the valuable exhibits.

Dear Sir,

27 FEB 1945

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Reference Memorandum No.6907-A-1.Edn., dated the 23rd February 1945. I suggest that the constitution of a Committee to devise plans for improvement upon the old arrangements and accommodation provided for housing the valuable coins and exhibits, may be considered on the return of Dr. Aiyappan from Taxila. If, however, the matter is urgent and should be considered at once, the following names are suggested to form the Committee proposed:-

1. The Superintendent, Government Museum, Madras.
2. The Curator in charge of the Section.

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3. The Superintendent, Archaeological Survey, Southern Circle.

4. The Deputy Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department.

The Committee may co-opt the Executive Engineer, Presidency Division and the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Law and Order, to advise on accommodation and measures of security.

Yours sincerely,

Superintendent
in charge.

R. Prasad, Esqr., I.C.S.,
Under Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George.

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From the Under Secretary to Govt.
To the S. G. M.

Museum. Govt.

Getting back of the Valuable exhibits - Constitution of a Committee :

Ref ~~[illegible]~~ D.O. No. 305.1/45 dated 27.2.45 from Sri M. D. Raghavan

Please say whether you agree with the views ~~of you~~ of ~~[illegible]~~ expressed by your P.A. on the subject ~~[illegible]~~.

P.A

Ry 3.3.45

W. 3.3.45

6.3.45.

Issued 7/3/45

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Note: Dr Aiyappan is expected to return to Madras this evening. It is desirable that his ~~opinion~~ views are ~~be~~ obtained in the matter. The draft overleaf is for approval.

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Date 194 , Hours Minutes 7.

TELEPHONIC MESSAGE

From The S.G.M.

To The Supdt.
E & P.H.

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Ref:- T.M. re:- Constitution of a Committee for Considering arrangements for the valuable articles.

I shall meet the D.S. to-morrow and shall first discuss the matter with him.

E & P. H. Dept
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9/3/45.

Submitted for perusal

Ry
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S.G.M. has spoken to me about this & his reply will follow.

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Telephonic Message by Post dated 12th March 1945.

From The Superintendent, Government Museum, Madras.

To The Deputy Secretary to Government, Education & Public Health Department, Madras.

No. 3561/45

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18 MAR 1945

Sub: Museum- Plans for improvement of accommodation etc.-Committee - Names suggested.

Reference Memorandum No.6907-A-1 Edn dated 23rd February 1945 and Telephonic Message dated 7th March 45.

I agree with the suggestion made by my Personal Assistant, subject to the following changes and additions.

The valuable antiquities referred to in the above Memorandum include objects dealt with by several Curators. No.2 in the names suggested by my Personal Assistant, viz." The Curator in charge of the Section" should therefore have been "Curators of the Sections". Since, however, the Curators concerned, of the Sections of Anthropology, Archaeology and Numismatics (when the last is to be revived, which would be soon) are always available here for consultation, I suggest the deletion of No.(2) from the list given by my Personal Assistant. I suggest instead the inclusion of the Principal, School of Arts, Madras in the Committee. As the exhibits sent out include pictures and there is none on my staff who has experience and first rate knowledge of paintings and their exhibition, the addition to the Committee of an expert in this subject will be very useful.

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The Librarian, Connemara Public Library with his experienc of dealing with valuable books, and his joint interest with th Museum in the common problems of security, watch and ward etc. will also be very useful member of the Committee. If the proposed committee will not become unwieldy by his addition, I would suggest that his name be added to the list.

The Committee suggested will thus consist of:-

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1) The Superintendent, Government Museum (Convener)
2) The Principal, School of Arts, Madras.
3) The Superintendent, Archaeological Survey of India, Southe Circle, Chandragiri.
4) The Deputy Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department (Chairman).
5) The Executive Engineer, Presidency Division, Madras.
6) The Deputy Commissioner of Police (Law and Order), Madras
7) The Librarian, Connemara Public Library, Madras.

Omit

A. Aiyappan 12/3/45
Superintendent.

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IV Letter No 6907 A.2 Edn. dated 22.3.45

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To
the President, Archaeological Society of S. India,
Govt. Museum, Madras

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Sir,

Govt. Museum. ~~Govt.~~ Plans for the improvement of accommodation for the Valuables. Constitution of a Committee.

The question of getting back the valuable coins and exhibits which have been removed from the Govt. Museum and deposited outside Madras for safe custody is now under consideration. It has been proposed in that connection, that a committee may be constituted to devise improvements to the existing arrangements and accommodation provided for housing these valuables. I am directed to request you to suggest the names of one or two non official members of the Archaeological Society to serve on the Committee.

Y. O. S.

Ry 21.3.45

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THE TEMPLES EMERGENCIES COMMITTEE

Observer: SIR THOMAS AUSTIN, K.C.I.E., I.C.S.
Architect: V. M. NARASIMHAN

President: Rao Bahadur T. M. CHINNAYYA PILLAI
Convener: T. TIRUMALACHARI

Reference

17, T. P. KOIL STREET
TRIPLICANE, MADRAS

Date 24th March 1945.

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Dear Sir Thomas,

I gather that there is a proposal under consideration for a small Committee to help in the arrangement of the galleries of the Government Museum at Madras and that one of the Public Works Department engineers may be a member.

Display in Museum galleries is a matter in which an architect's advice is essential, for the display has to fit in and harmonise with the building.

Mr. V.M.Narasimhan will be happy to give his services free and his continued experience in organising exhibitions and Museums will make him specially useful: and there will be collaboration and mutual advantage to the Exhibitions & Museums of this Committee & that of Govt.

I would, therefore, suggest his being included as a member of the Committee.

Yes

Yours faithfully,

T. Tirumalachari

Sir Thomas Austin, K.C.I.E.,I.C.S.,
Advicer to H.E.the Governor,
FORT ST.GEORGE.

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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May be added to the file and the [illegible] may be included when final orders are [illegible] the reply to Govt letter No 6907A.2 Edn dated 22.3.45 may be awaited till 16.4.45

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UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS.

DR. A. L. MUDALIAR,
M.D., LL.D., D.SC., F.R.C.O.G., F.A.C.S.,
VICE-CHANCELLOR.
&
President,
Arch. Society of S. India.

UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS
TRIPLICANE
MADRAS

27 MAR 1945

26th March 45.

The Deputy Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department,
Fort St.George, Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 6907A.2.Edn. dated the 22nd March 1945, I have the honour to suggest the names of the following two non-official members of the Archaeological Society:

1) Diwan Bahadur T.M.Narayanaswami Pillai, Member, Public Service Commission.

2) Sri V.R.Ramachandra Dikshitar, Lecturer in Indian History and Archaeology, University of Madras.

Your obedient servant,

A L Mudaliar

PRESIDENT,
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF
SOUTH INDIA.

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D.O. No 6907 A. 3 Edn dated 3.4.45

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Dear Mr Chowdhary
.. Mr Ramachandran
.. Mr Narasimham
.. Mr Dikshitar

Museum. Govt. Plans for the improvement of accommodation for the Valuables. Constitution of a Committee.

The question of getting back the valuable coins and exhibits which have been removed from the Museum and deposited outside Madras for safe custody is now under the consideration of the Govt. In that connection a Committee is being constituted to devise improvements to the existing arrangements and accommodation

8/ provided for housing the valuables. I am to ask whether you agree to ~~be appointed~~ serve on ~~as a member of~~ the Committee.

Yours sincerely

3/4/45

To Sri D. P. Roy Chowdhury
Principal School of Arts
Madras.

✓ " Sri T. N. Ramachandran
Supdt, Archaeological Survey of India,
Southern circle,
Chandragiri

✓ " Sri V. M. Narasimhan
Architect T. E. Committee
No. 17, T. P. Koil street
Triplicane.

✓ " Sri V. R. Ramachandra Dikshitar, Lecturer
Indian History and Archaeology
University of Madras
Chepauk

Despd.
4.4.45

Endt. No. 6907 A. 4 Edn. dated 3.4.45

Copy communicated to the S. G. M. He is informed that the E. E and the Deputy Commr. of Police need not sit on the Committee. They may be consulted whenever necessary. It is presumed that the Librarian, C. P. L is willing to serve on the Committee.

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To the S. G. M.

V. M. NARASIMHAN, B.A., B.E.
ARCHITECT : ENGINEER : SURVEYOR

Consultant:
Hindu Religious Endowments Board
Temples Emergencies Committee

17, T. P. KOIL STREET
TRIPLICANE, MADRAS

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DATE 11/665

6th April 1945.

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Dear Mr. Coorey,

Sub: Museum - Government - Plans for the improvement of accommodation for the valuables - Constitution of a Committee -
Ref: Your D.O.No.6907.A-3.Edn. dated 3rd April '45.

I am thankful for the kind invitation to serve on the Committee you mention. I am willing to be included in it.

Yours sincerely,
V M Narasimhan.

C.O.Coorey, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Dept.
FORT ST. GEORGE.

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7 APR 1945

D. O. No. 58(1)-C/384

Archæological Survey of India,
Southern Circle,
No. 11, Bishop Waller Avenue, West,
Mylapore (Madras), 6th April *1945.*

Subject: Madras Museum - Plans for the improvement of - Proposed Committee.

Dear Mr. Coorey,

Please refer to your D.O.letter No. 6907.A-3.Edn, dated 3rd April 1945 on the above subject.

I agree to serve on the proposed committee.

Yours sincerely,

TNRamachandran
Superintendent. 6-4-45

Clarence O.Coorey Esq., M.A., I.C.S.,
Deputy Secretary, Education & Public Health Department,
Government of Madras, Fort St.George, Madras.

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C.Nos 13725, & 13726.

E & B. Hope

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The replies to D.O. No. 6907A. dated 3.4.45 from the other proposed members may be awaited

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V. R. RAMACHANDRA DIKSHITAR,
UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS

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TRIPLICANE, MADRAS. 13/665
7th April 1945.

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Dear Sir,

pp 17-18 ante

Ref: Your D.O. No.6907-A-3 Edn. dated
the 3rd April 1945.

I have pleasure in informing you that I shall gladly serve on the Committee.

Yours sincerely,
V. R. Ramachandra Dikshitar

E & B. Hope
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The reply from the Principal School of Arts has not been received yet. It may be awaited till 17.4.45

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DEVIPROSAD ROY CHOWDHURY, M.B.E.
Principal,
GOVT. SCHOOL OF ARTS & CRAFTS, MADRAS.

Tele { phone : 3247
gram : "CHOWDHURY" Art School, Madras.

GOVT. SCHOOL OF ARTS & CRAFTS, MADRAS.

No. 268/Pres.

Dated 5th April 1945.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
10 APR 1945
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

Sir,

P.P.17-18 ante

Ref:- Your D.O.No.6907-A-3. Edn. dated 3rd April 1945.

I have no objection to serve in the committee if my assistance could be of any use, but I do not see how it would be possible since my knowledge in archeology is not dependable.

Yours sincerely,

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Edn. and P.H. Deptt.

D. O. No. 6907A/45-5 Edn dated 14/4/45

Dear Dr. Cousins,

Govt. Museum, Madras - Plans for the ~~ax~~ improvement of accommodation for the valuables - Constitution of a Committee.

The question of getting back the valuable coins and exhibits which have been removed from the Government Museum and deposited outside Madras for safe custody is now under the consideration of the Government. In that connection, a Committee is being constituted to devise improvements to the existing arrangements and accommodation provided for housing the valuables. As your knowledge of the Travancore Museum which has been rearranged [illegible] will be of immense help to the Committee, I am to ~~ask~~ enquire whether you agree to serve on the Committee.

12.6.45

Yours sincerely,

Dr. J. H. Cousins,
The Theosophical ~~Lodge~~, Society
Adyar

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Dr J. H. Cousins,
Art Adviser to the........ GOVERNMENT OF TRAVANCORE

"Sevashrama, Adyar,
April 15, 1945.

Dear Sir Thomas Austin,

Your suggestion (during your visit to the Kalakshetra) that I might be helpful in the arranging of the picture gallery in Madras lingers with me as a pleasant anticipation. I have long wished that someone might move towards making the Egmore Museum and Gallery worthy of the capital of a great Province. You spoke of a possible visit to Travancore on which you would see what has been done in recent years. I shall be going down on duty from June 25 to the end of September, and it would be a great delight if you could time your visit about then so that I might take you round the various art-centres that have been created in the past ten years.. Short synopses of some of them were compiled for the recent visit of the Viceroy. I enclose some of these and shall get a copy of the catalogue of the Chitralayam sent to you. You will, I know, be much interested in the developments there in the arts.

Today Dr Paramesam, the analyst, called to ask how to get to Somapalle where he is to examine the old ceiling paintings in the temple. I "discovered" these years ago and put the Tahsildar in touch with them. Friends wrote three memoranda for a proposed brochure with illustrations, but time intervened. I have the materials at hand, and copies of the frescoes are in Trivandrum. A similar temple is near Anantapur.

When you have a spare few minutes I should like to speak to you on these and other matters.

Mrs Cousins joins me in best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

James H. Cousins

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17 APR 1945

D/s

(with reply)

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Fort St. George,
Madras,
17th April 1945.

Dear Dr. Cousins,

Many thanks for your letter of the 15th. I have told the office to write to you and ask you to serve on the Committee that I am forming to advise on steps to improve the Connemara Museum and I hope that you will accept the invitation. I have no plans for visiting Trivandrum in the near future but, if I ever do come, I shall certainly ask you to show me the new art-centres.

I am going up to Ooty on the 1st of May and shall be very glad to have a talk with you if you can spare the time to come to the Secretariat any morning this week between 11 and 1.

With best wishes to Mrs. Cousins and yourself,

Yours sincerely,

O/c
Sd. T. A.

Dr. J.H. Cousins,
Art Adviser to the Govt.
of Travancore, "Sevashrama",
Adyar.

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Art Adviser to the GOVERNMENT OF TRAVANCORE
"Sevashrama,"
ADYAR, Apl 21, 45.

23 APR 1945

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Dear Sir Thomas Austin,

The invitation to join the Committee on the rearrangement of the Connemara Museum came from the office, and I have replied accepting it. I trust there may be a meeting before I go to Trivandrum about June 25 for three months' special duty, as I should like to have an idea of what is required.

This sh'd be arranged.

I tried to get into the City to give you a call, but urgent matters kept me fast here.

When at Ooty, look up Professor E. E. Speight, "Mount Stuart," and see his superb collection of Chinese and Japanese art-objects. They are now irreplaceable, and a selection added to the Museum would have much popular and aesthetical value.

Yours sincerely,

J. H. Cousins

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Art Adviser to the Government of Travancore

"Sevashrama,"
ADYAR, Apl 21, 19

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
23 APR 1945
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

My dear Sir,

In reply to your D.O. No. 6907-A45-5 Edn, dated the fourteenth instant:

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I shall be happy to join the Committee which is being formed for the rearranging of the Connemara Museum.

In this connection I may say that I shall be at the above address until June 25, after which I shall go to Trivandrum on duty for three months. I trust that a meeting of the Committee may take place before then so that I may get in touch with what has to be done.

Yours sincerely,

J.H. Cousins

The Secretary,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George.

D.O. no. 6907 F/45-6 Edn. 27-6-45

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Dear Mr. Chaudhury,

Museum. Govt. Plans for the improvement of the existing accommodation for the valuables. Constitution of a Committee

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Your letter no. 268/45 dated 5-6-45

I am desired to say that you need not attend the regular sittings of ~~sit on~~ the proposed Committee ~~but~~ When the question regarding ~~of~~ paintings

2/ ~~[illegible]~~ their arrangement and exhibition in the museum buildings ~~[illegible]~~ comes up for discussion you will be invited to attend the meetings. I thank you for your offer of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

[illegible]

27.4.45

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Mr. Devi Prosad Roy Chowdhury, M.B.E.
Principal
School of Arts and Crafts
Madras.

K.H. 30-4-45

Copy to S.G.M.

E. & P.H. Dept. 22/665

MUSEUM - Govt. - ~~Getting back the valuable coins and exhibits~~ - Plans for ~~the~~ improvement to the existing accommodation for housing the valuables - Committee - Constitut~~ion~~ed - Ordered.

Read:- From the S.G.M., D.O.No.305-1/45, dated 27-2-45.
~~-do- T.M. dated 12-3-45.~~
From the President, Archaeological Society of South India, dated 26-3-45.

G. O. (MS.) No. 665 Edn., dated 27.4.1945

The valuable coins and exhibits which were removed from the Govt. Museum and deposited outside Madras for safe custody ~~should soon~~ will have to be ~~got~~ brought back soon to the Museum buildings. The existing arrangement and accommodation provided for housing these valuables in the Museum buildings can be improved upon and (It is considered [illegible]) this can best be ~~done~~ made by a small committee constituted for the purpose. The Govt. are, therefore, pleased to constitute a Committee with the following members:-

(1) The Deputy Secretary to Govt., E.&.P.H. Deptt. (Chairman).
(2) The S.G.M. (Convener).

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(3) The Librarian, C.P.L.
(4) The Supdt., Archaeological Survey of India, Southern Circle.
(5) Sri V.M. Narasimham, Architect, The Temple Emergencies Committee.
(6) Sri V.R. Ramachandra Dikshitar, Lecturer in Indian History and Archaeology, University of Madras.
[(7) The Principal, ~~School of Arts & Crafts~~, Madras.]
(7) Dr J.H Cousins Adyar

2. The functions of the Committee will be

(1) to investigate the present arrangements and accommodation provided ~~for~~ in the Museum buildings for ~~the~~ housing the valuable coins and exhibits; and

(2) to make recommendations for ~~improving~~ their improvements there ~~the existing arrangements~~ ~~and accommodation~~ ~~so as to~~ ensure the proper maintenance arrangement and safe preservation of these valuables.

~~The report of the Committee should be submitted at a very early date.~~

3. The Govt. direct that the services of the Curators and the staff of the Museum should be made available to the Committee.

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D.O No. 69072A/45-7 dated 27.4.46

Dear Dr Aiyappan,

Museum. Govt. Plans for the improvement of the existing accommodation for housing the valuables Constitution of a Committee

I am to say that the orders regarding the constitution of the Committee on the subject [illegible] are being issued separately. As Dr J.H Cousins, one of the members of the Committee, will proceed to Trivandrum and be away for three months from

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~~Should~~ the 25th June 1945, arrangements to should be made to ~~have the~~ convene a meetings or meetings of the Committee ~~before the [illegible] completed~~ ~~completed before~~ ~~that date the 20th of the month being the 1st and 2nd June~~ ~~being the 1st and the 20th of June~~ on a date convenient to the members in particular before the middle of June.

Yours sincerely

26/4/45

25.4.45

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Despd. K.M. 30-4-45

✓ Dr A. Aiyappan, M.A., Ph.D.

✓ S.G.M.
Madras.

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~~If the meetings of the committee should be [illegible] completed before the 20th of June 1945.~~

Except members of the Committee

5.4 The members of the Committee will not be eligible for any travelling or other allowance.

K.M. -4-45

11.4.45

W. 11.4.45

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To the ✓ S.G.M.
" ✓ President, Archaeological
Society of S.India,
Unty.Bldgs., Triplicane.
✓ Members of the Committee.

Despd. K.M. -4-45

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Education and Public Health Department.
G.O.Ms.No.665, Edn., dated the 27th April 1945.

Abstract.

MUSEUM - Government - Plans for improvement to the existing accommodation for housing the valuables - Committee - Constitution - Ordered.

Read the following:-

From the Superintendent, Government Museum, D.O.No.305-1/45, dated 27th February 1945.
" " President, Archaeological Society of South India, dated 26th March 1945.

ORDER:-

The valuable coins and exhibits which were removed from the Government Museum and deposited outside Madras for safe custody will have to be brought back soon to the Museum buildings. The existing arrangement and accommodation provided for housing these valuables in the Museum buildings can be improved upon and it is considered that suggestions for this can best be made by a small committee constituted for the purpose. The Government are, therefore, pleased to constitute a Committee with the following members:-

(1) The Deputy Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department (Chairman).
(2) The Superintendent, Government Museum (Convener).
(3) The Librarian, Connemara Public Library.
(4) The Superintendent, Archaeological Survey of India, Southern Circle.
(5) Sri V. M. Narasimham, Architect, The Temple Emergencies Committee.
(6) Sri V. R. Ramachandra Dikshitar, Lecturer in Indian History and Archaeology, University of Madras.
(7) Dr. J. H. Cousins, Adyar.

2. The functions of the Committee will be

(1) to investigate the present arrangements and accommodation provided in the Museum buildings for housing the valuable coins and exhibits; and

(2) to make recommendations for their improvement in order to ensure the proper maintenance, arrangements and safe preservation of these valuables.

3. The Government direct that the services of the Curators and the staff of the Museum should be made available to the Committee.

4. The members of the Committee will not be eligible for any travelling or other allowance.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor).

C. O. Coorey,
DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVT.

To the Superintendent, Government Museum.
" " President, Archaeological Society of South India, University Buildings, Triplicane.
" " Members of the Committee.

(True copy/Forwarded/By order).

SUPERINTENDENT.

TVR./27.4.

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16 FEB 1945

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

For Secretary, E. & P.H.

It will very soon be time to consider getting back the exhibits to the Government Museum. Before this is done plans of arrangement should be drawn up as the old arrangement ~~could~~ can certainly be improved upon. A small committee may be constituted at once to work this out. Will Secretary please put up a note?

16/2/45

The S.G.M. may be consulted. A draft memo is submitted.

22.2.45 23.2.45.

[Issued Memo No. 6907A-1 Edn dated 23.2.45]

From the S.G.M., l/m dated 12.3.45

The S.G.M. has suggested seven members as at 'A' on page 10 C.F. for the Committee to be constituted for the improvements to the existing

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arrangements and accommodation provided for the housing the valuables in the Museum. It may first be ascertained from the members whether they are willing to serve on the Committee. A draft D.O. is submitted. [illegible] Development, P.W.D. and Home may see

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A₂'s orders on the committee may first be taken.

The E.E. and the Dy. Commr of Police ~~may~~ need not sit on the Committee. They may be consulted whenever necessary. The Committee may be formed of the other five persons mentioned by the S.G.M. at p 10 c.f.

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Ask Archaeological Soc.ty to suggest a non-official or two.

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A draft ~~[illegible]~~ letter is submitted

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[Issued Lr No. 6907 A.2 Edn dated 22.3.45]

p15 c.f. From the President, Arch. Society of S. India dated 26.3.45

~~[illegible]~~ Bahadur T. M. Narayanaswami Pillai and Sri V. R. Ramachandra Dikshitar have been suggested by the President, Archaeological Society of S. India for inclusion in the proposed Committee. Orders are solicited ~~for the formation~~ whether [illegible] the Committee [illegible] the following members ~~with the Dy Secy to Govt as chairman and the S.G.M. as convener~~.

(i) The Deputy Secretary to Govt (Chairman)
(ii) The Superintendent, Govt Museum (Convener)
(iii) The Supdt, Archaeological Survey of India, Southern Circle
(iv) The Principal, School of Arts, Madras
(v) The Librarian, Connemara Public Library
~~(vi)~~ Sri V. M. Narasimhan, Architect, T.E. Committ

Approved by A₂
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(vii) Sri Dewan Bahadur T. M. Narayanaswami Pillai, Member, Public Service Commission

and (viii) Sri V. R. Ramachandra Dikshitar,
Lecturer in Indian History and Archaeology,
University of Madras.

Ry 28.3.45 / 28.3.45

Mr Narayanaswami Pillai need not perhaps sit on the Committee. For orders. [illegible]

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The willingness of the members proposed to serve on the Committee may now be obtained. A draft D.O. is submitted.

Ry 2.4.45 / 2.4.45

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[Issued D.O. No 6907 A-3 Edn dated 3.4.45] pp17-18

The replies to D.O. No 6907 A.3 Edn dated 3.4.45 have been received. ~~[illegible]~~ pp17-18

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[illegible] Principal, [illegible] feels diffident of his assistance to the proposed Committee [illegible] knowledge in archaeology. But the need for his presence on the Committee is explained at 'A' on page 9 cf. Others have agreed to serve on the Committee. For orders whether the Principal, School of Arts and Crafts ~~should~~ may also be included in the Committee. Subject to approval in the proposal a draft order is submitted. The members will not be eligible for any travelling or other allowance as the meetings will be held in the city, probably in the Museum Buildings.

Ry 11.4.45 / 11.4.45

For orders as to constitution. The Principal of the School of Arts & Crafts may perhaps be omitted from the Committee, but he may, when the question of paintings & their exhibition

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comes up for decision, he [illegible] to attend the meetings. | A
He may be told of this.
Subject to the above, the draft may be approved.

12/4/45

Dr. J.H. Cousins who is now living at Adyar & who reorganised the Travancore Museum, may be asked if he will serve.

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A draft D.O. is submitted.

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[illegible] draft [illegible] D.O. [illegible]

From Dr. [illegible] 20.4.45

Dr. J.H. C. [illegible]

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willingness to serve on the Committee. His ~~name may be included in the Committee.~~ ~~Necessary addition has been made in para 4 of the draft. Dr. Cousins has [illegible]~~ ~~the meeting of the Committee may be arranged~~ before the 25th June 1945, when he proposes to go to Trivandrum on duty for three months. It is desirable that the meetings are arranged for and completed before the 15th June 1945. ~~[illegible]~~ Para 4 has been added to the draft. With reference to 'A' on page 6 ante, a draft D.O. is submitted.

This will not be possible as I shall be on O.D. till 1st June. may ask

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The SGM do. to convene the first mtg. between 1st June & 25th June. This will only be a prelim. meeting. The members may inspect the Museum & get genl. ideas.

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Please see the orders of A2 on page 33 c.f. ~~As the meeting of the Committee~~ ~~has to be completed~~ convened / ~~before the 25th June 1945,~~ ~~arrange for the~~ ~~[illegible] between the~~ draft D.O. which you to authorities ~~[illegible] this~~. For orders as to circulation.

A2 may see the drafts.

25.4.45

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As modified.

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Draft G.O. is under issue. Draft D.Os with fair copy below for favour of signature.

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