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[Despatch Abstract.]

Books and publications - The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 - Delivery of Copies of Books to Govt. under the Madras Pub Libraries Act 1948 - Orders passed.

Back Papers.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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T.M. (P.C) Edn. d. 17/3/50

From The Asst. Secretary to Govt.
Edu. Dept.

To.
The ~~D.I.~~ / ~~D.P.I.~~ PA to D.P.I.

The Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 - Delivery of Copies to Govt.

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Please see ~~The Director's attention is invited to~~ Section (9) of the Press and Registration of Books Act - 1867 (Central Act XXV of 1867) and ~~he~~ ~~to obtain and~~ ~~is requested~~ to ~~forward~~ furnish ~~urgently~~ Copies of the directions and notifications issued by the Govt. relating to delivery of Copies of books etc by a printer, under that section.

Books below

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Note The above is with reference to Secy's Query 2 on p 5 n.f.

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T. M. (P.C)   Edu. d.
From The Asst Secretary to Govt.   To
Edu. Dept.   The P.A to D.P.I.

The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867-
Delivery of Copies to Govt.

Please see Section (9) of the Press and Registration of Books Act - 1867 (Central Act XXV of 1867) and the [illegible] [illegible] Copies of this Govt. [illegible] to delivery of Copies [illegible]

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T. M. (P.C) } Edu. d. 31/3/50.
From The Asst Secretary to Govt.   To
Edu. Dept.   The P.A to the D.P.I.

Desp. 31/3

Issued 31-3-50

The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867-
Delivery of Copies to Govt.

Ref p 3 cf ———— T.M date. 17.3.50.

Please expedite your reply to the T.M (P.C) ~~[illegible]~~ on the ~~[illegible]~~ subject cited above -

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY
8 APL 1950
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education Department.

Rc.No.433 L4/50 dated 4-4-50.

Sir,

c.6347

Sub: The Press and Registration Books Act, 1867 - Delivery of copies to Government.
Ref: Government Telephonic Message dated ~~31-3~~-50. p5 ante

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The matter is under correspondence with the Registrar of Books, Madras, and I will submit my reply as soon as I have received the reply from him.

Yours faithfully,

For Director of Public Instruction.

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The D.P.I.'s reply may be awaited till 5/5/50.

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

From
The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To
The Asst.Secretary to Government. Education Department,
Fort St.George,
Madras.

R.C. No.435 L4/50 dated 17/4/50.

Sir,

Sub:- The Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 - Delivery of copies to Government.
Ref:- Your Telephone Message dated 17/3/1950,

ASSISTANT SEC[illegible]
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With reference to your Telephone Message cited I am sending herewith the following:-

1) Rules supplement to Part I-B of the Fort St. George Gazette dated 2/1/1945 containing Rules under Press and Registration of Books Act -as amended under section 20 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.
2) Notification dated December 1871 of the Government of India, exempting certain publications from the provisions of Act XXV of 1867.
3) Copy of G.O. No.674, Public Department dated 19/8/1922
4) Copy of G.O. No.Ms.5, Public (General) dated 5/1/1951.

Pp 11-12 infra

Pp 13-16 infra

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Yours faithfully,

For Director of Public Instruction

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NOTIFICATION.

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By virtue of the power vested in the Governor-General in Council by section 21 of Act XXV of 1867, entitled " An Act for the regulation of Printing-presses and Newspapers, for the preservation of copies of books printed in British India, and for the registration of such book ", His Excellency in Council is pleased to declare that the following publications are exempted from the provisions of the said Act:—

1. Reprints of books *without* additions or alterations, and *without* new notes or commentaries.
2. Acts of the Legislative Council *without* notes or commentaries.
3. Price lists and tradesmen's circulars.
4. Catalogues of books and other articles, auctioneer's notices and advertisements.
5. Play-bills, comprising advertisements of theatrical and musical entertainments.
6. Decisions of courts of law *without* notes or commentaries.
7. Petitions and appeals addressed to constituted authority under the provisions of law.
8. Testimonials of private individuals or public officers.
9. Annual reports of schools, banks, societies and firms.
10. Almanacs and calendars.
11. Labels affixed to articles of commerce.

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HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC),
FORT WILLIAM,
December 1871.

E. C. BAYLEY,
Secretary to the Govt of India.

R red No. M-1. [PRICE, 3 pies.

RULES SUPPLEMENT TO PART I-B

OF

THE FORT ST. GEORGE GAZETTE

No. 1-A] MADRAS, TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 2, 1945

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

Rules under Press and Registration of Books Act.

Fort St. George, January 2, 1945.

The following rules framed under section 20 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, as amended, are republished for general information:—

RULES.

1. One copy or, if requisition be made, a further copy or copies not exceeding two, of every book printed or lithographed within the Presidency of Fort St. George shall, as required in section 9 of the Act, be delivered to the Registrar of Books at his Office, Madras.

2. At the same time the printer or lithographer shall furnish the Registrar with a memorandum duly dated and signed by himself and countersigned by the publisher and containing the following particulars:—

(1) The title of the book and the contents of the title-page.
(2) The language in which the book is written.
(3) The name of—
  (*a*) the author,
  (*b*) the translator, and
  (*c*) the editor of the book or any part thereof.
(4) The subject of the book.
(5) (*a*) The place of printing, and
  (*b*) the place of publication.
(6) (*a*) The name or firm of the printer, and
  (*b*) the name or firm of the publisher.
(7) The date of delivery from the press and of the publication.

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(8) The number of sheets, leaves or pages.
(9) The size.
(10) The number of the edition.
(11) The number of copies of which the edition consists.
(12) Whether the book is printed or lithographed.
(13) The price at which the book is sold to the public.
(14) The name and residence of the proprietor of the copyright or of any portion thereof.

3. The receipt referred to in section 10 of the Act shall be in the following form:—

"I, A.B., Registrar of Books, Madras, do hereby acknowledge to have received from C.D., printer (or lithographer, as the case may be), a copy of with a memorandum of the particulars specified in paragraph 2 of the rules published under notification, dated "

4. The Registrar of Books shall deposit all books received under section 9 (*a*) of the Act in a separate library which shall be constituted a reference library.

5. Every keeper of a printing press shall, within ten days after the first day of January, the first day of April, the first day of July and the first day of October of each year, forward to the District Magistrate, or if the press is situate within the limits of the town of Madras, to the Chief Presidency Magistrate, a return in the appended form of all books printed at his press in the quarter preceding the said dates, or if no books have been printed at his press, a statement to that effect—

Quarterly return of books and pamphlets issued from the Press.

Full title of book (contents of title page).	Printer and place of publication.	Date of delivery from the press and of the publication.

6. The catalogue of books printed within the Presidency of Fort St. George and referred to in section 18 of the Act shall be kept by the Registrar of Books.

7. The Registrar of Books shall forward to the Government through the Director of Public Instruction, at the end of each quarter, an extract from the catalogue of the books registered during the quarter. Similar extracts shall be forwarded quarterly to each District Magistrate and the Chief Presidency Magistrate for the books printed within their jurisdictions.

8. Nothing in the foregoing rules shall apply to—

(1) an edition of a book in which no additions or alterations, either in the letterpress, or in the maps, prints or other engravings, belonging to the edition last preceding, have been made, provided that a copy of the first or latter edition of the book was delivered;

(2) any newspaper published in conformity with section 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.

9. For the purpose of section 5 (2) of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, no person should be recognized as an agent of a printer or a publisher unless he holds a duly executed power-of-attorney authorizing him to appear before a competent magistrate and to make and to subscribe the requisite declaration on behalf of such printer or publisher.

M. V. SUBRAMANIAN,
Secretary to Government.

MADRAS: PRINTED AND PUBLISHED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT, GOVERNMENT PRESS.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Public Department.

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G.O. No.674, 19th August 1 9 2 2.

Press Law Repeal and Amendment Act (XIV of 1922) - Working of - Instructions issued.

Order - No.674 Public, dated 19th August 1922.

When the Press Act I of 1910 was passed the Government issued orders in G.O.No.491 Judicial, dated 1st April 1910, regarding the working of that Act and the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 (XXV of 1867). These orders were subsequently modified by the instructions issued in the following Government Orders:-

(1)	G.O.No.1209	Judicial,	dated	10th August 1910.
(2)	,, 1313	,,	,,	15th ,, 1911.
(3)	,, 104	,,	,,	23rd January 1912.
(4)	,, 2500	,,	,,	4th December 1913.
(5)	,, 1476	,,	,,	3rd July 1914.

2. Now that the Press Law Repeal and Amendment Act, 1922 has been passed, the Government are pleased to issue the following instructions in supersession of all previous orders in regard to the law dealing with presses and publications.

3. The Press Law Repeal and Amendment Act, 1922, has repealed the Newspapers (Incitements to Offences) Act, 1908, in full and the Indian Press Act, 1910, in part. The provisions of the Press Act, 1910, that have been retained are those of sections 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 which have been re-enacted respectively with modifications, as section 99-A of the Criminal Procedure Code, 1898, section 181-A of the Sea Customs Act, 1878, sections 27-A and 27-B of the Indian Post Office Act, 1898, and section 11-A of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.

This is not the procedure now.

4. Such notifications as may be issued by the Government under section 99-A of the Criminal Procedure Code, 1898, declaring seditious publications to be forfeited to His Majesty will in future be published in the Fort St. George Gazette, but will not be communicated separately to individual officers. The Chief Presidency Magistrate, District Magistrates, the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department, the Postmaster-General and the Collector of Customs are therefore requested to peruse the Gazette carefully.

5. (a) Under section 13 of the Indian Press Act, 1910, the Government empowered the Assistant Inspectors of Salt, Abkari and Customs Department in charge of the Custom-houses at the ports of Calicut, Cocanada, Cochin, Cuddalore, Mangalore, Masulipatam, Negapatam, Tuticorin and Vizagapatam, the Assistant Inspector at the Pondicherry Railway Sayer station and the Sub-Inspectors in charge of the chaukis at the Pondicherry frontier and of the land customs stations at the Karikal and Yanam frontiers to detain packages suspected to contain seditious newspapers, books or documents and directed that at other ports the detention of such packages might be ordered by the Collector of the district as Chief Customs Officer on the representation of the officer in charge of the Custom-house.

(b) The xxxxxx Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department, was appointed as the officer to receive newspapers, etc., detained under sections 13 and 15 of the Act - xxxxxxx paragraph 9 of G.O.No.314, Judicial, dated 28th February 1910.

(c) In exercise of the powers conferred by section 16 of the Press Act, 1910, the Government by notification in the Fort St. George Gazette directed that two copies of each issue of every newspaper published within the City of Madras should be delivered as soon as it was published to the Commissioner of Police, Madras, at his office and that two copies of every newspaper published without the City of Madras should be delivered as soon as it was published to the Magistrate of the district at his office.

In accordance with section 24 of the General Clauses Act, 1897, the above orders and the notification will be deemed to have been made and issued under the corresponding provisions re-enacted by the Press Law Repeal and Amendment Act, 1922 - viz., section 181-A of the Sea Customs Act, 1878, section 27-B of the Indian Post Office Act, 1898, and section 11-A of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.

6. (a) The Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department, should immediately transmit to the Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department, any packages or postal articles received by him under clause 1 of section 181-A of the Sea Customs Act, 1878, or clause 1 of section 27-B of the Indian Post Office Act, 1898.

(b) The Commissioner of Police and District Magistrates should immediately forward one copy of every vernacular or Anglo-vernacular nespaper received under the notification referred to in paragraph 5(c) above to the address of the appropriate trans- xxx lator at his office and one copy of every newspaper published xx in English to the Personal Assistant to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department, at his office.

7. Declarations.- (a) In consequence of the Repeal of the Press Act, 1910, it is no longer necessary for declarations under sections 4 and 5 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, to be made only before a District Magistrate or the Chief Presidency Magistrate. Declarations under section 4 may be made before any Magistrate of the first class within whose local jurisdiction the press may be situated and those under section 5 before a District or Presidency or Sub-divisional Magistrate within whose local jurisdiction the xxxx newspaper is printed or published or the printer or the publisher resides.

(b) For the purpose of section 5(2) of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, no person should be recognized as an agent of a printer or a publisher unless he holds a duly executed power of attorney authorizing him to appear before a competent Magistrate and to make and to subscribe the requisite declaration on behalf of such printer or publisher. A rule to this effect has been added to the rules made under section 20 of the Act; these rules will be republished in the Fort St. George Gazette and have been printed as Annexure I to these proceedings.

8. Registers.- (i) The Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department, and the Registrar of Books will continue to maintain the permanent registers of printing presses ordered in paragraph 3 of G.O.No.2500, Judicial, dated 4th December 1913. In order that the registers may be kept

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in the city and of the District Magistrates
concerned in the case of publications

up to date, District Magistrates and the Chief Presidency Magistrate will forward to both officers, as soon as made, copies of all declarations under the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867.

(ii) The District Magistrates and the Chief Presidency Magistrate will continue to keep bound registers of all declarations in the form printed as Annexure II to xxx these proceedings, corrected and up to date, and for that purpose will arrange to get the necessary information promptly from the subordinate magistrates before whom declarations may be made. It is of great importance that the register of declarations should be maintained correctly and up to date as this register is the basis for the compilation of the annual statement of newspapers and periodicals referred to in the following paragraph.

9. Returns.- (i) An annual statement of newspapers and periodicals was prescribed in G.O.No.1366 Judicial, dated 9th September 1910, modified by G.O.No.1476 Judicial, dated 3rd July 1914, and that statement will still be required. The form will be that printed as Annexure II which is practically the same as the old form. The declarations made under the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, will afford material to fill in columns (2), (4), (5), (11) and (12) of the statement; and clause 1 of section 5 of the Act as amended by the Press Law Repeal and Amendment Act, 1922, provides that every copy of a newspaper shall contain the name of the editor. It should not therefore be difficult to obtain at the time when the declarations are made, or subsequently the information required to fill in the other columns. The annual statement should be submitted by the District Magistrates to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal xxxxxx Investigation Department, not later than the 1st February of each year and by the xx latter to the Government not later than the 1st April of each year together with the usual memorandum on newspapers published during the year. The Government trust that greater punctuality will be observed in the submission of this return than has been the case in the past and District Magistrates and the Chief Presidency Magistrate are requested to see that the consolidated statements relating to periodicals published within their respective jurisdictions are kept up to date with the information obtained from their subordinate Magistrates and are despatched without xx fail to the Criminal Investigation Department by the prescribed date. The discontimuance of any newspaper or periodical or any change in the editorship, proprietorship, place of printing and publication or any material variations in the tone and circulation of the paper should be reported promptly as it occurs by the District Magistrate or by the Chief Presidency Magistrate or the Commissioner of Police as the case may be to the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department.

(ii) In addition to the annual statement referred to in paragraph 9(i) above, the Secretary of State has expressed a desire to be supplied at more frequent intervals with information as to the name and caste of the editor, the place of publication and the approximate circulation of every newspaper and periodical published within the Presidency. The Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department, should be in a position to supply this information from the reports sent to him by District Magistrates and the Chief Presidency Magistrate or the Commissioner of Police in the course of the year as laid down at the end of paragraph 9(i); and he is accordingly requested to submit to the Government not later than October 1st each year a supplementary statement containing only the above particulars.

(iii) The annual report on the working of the Indian Press Act, 1910, prescribed in paragraph 6 of G.O.No.491, Judicial, in the city and of the District Magistrates concerned in the case of publications

dated 1st April 1910, will of course be discontinued, but the character, tone and influence of each newspaper and periodical published during the year should continue to receive the careful attention of the Commissioner of Police in the case of publications in the mufassal. Ordinarily the Criminal Investigation Department will be held responsible for bringing to the notice of Government any newspaper or other publication which appears to be of a character requiring the preventive or punitive action prescribed by the law; but it will also be the recognised duty of District Magistrates and the Commissioner of Police to bring to the direct notice of Government any specially objectionable features in any publications issued within their local jurisdiction.

(iv) Printers will as heretofore be required to send the District Magistrates and the Chief Presidency Magistrate quarterly lists of all books issued from their presses. The copy of every book printed, which section 9 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, requires to be sent to an officer appointed by Government will continue to be sent direct to the Registrar of Books, Madras, and he will furnish the District Magistrate concerned or the Chief Presidency Magistrate with quarterly lists of his receipts. The Magistrates should check these lists with the lists received from the presses in order to/~~direct~~ detect evasions of the law. The Magistrates should also send extracts of the quarterly lists received from presses to the subordinatexx Magistrates and Police officers to enable them to report any omission that may come to their notice.

10. The Registrar of Books will examine each book that he receives and will immediately bring to the special notice of the Criminal Investigation Department and of the District Magistrate concerned or the Chief Presidency Magistrate any publication which he considers objectionable. If any book is written in a language which he cannot read, he should refer it to the appropriate translator.

11. The Government desire that the obligations imposed by the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, shall be fully enforced; and to that end District Magistrates should instruct their subordinate Magistrates and the Police to detect and report all evasions of the provisions of sections 3, 4, 5, 9 and 11-A of the Act. They have however laid it down as a matter of policy that it is not ordinarily expedient to have recourse to prosecution in the first instance; but that it will generally be sufficient to draw attention to the requirements of the law and to prosecute only those persons who xxxx neglect to comply with its provisions after they have been warned. No prosecutions should be instituted without the sanction of the District Magistrate.

(By Order of/the Governor in Council)

R.A. GRAHAM,
Chief Secretary.

To all District Magistrates.
To the Chief Presidency Magistrate.
,, Commissioner of Police.
,, Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways & C.I.D.
,, Inspector-General of Police.
,, Postmaster-General.
,, Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs.
,, Collector of Customs.
,, Director of Public Instructionx.
,, Registrar of Books.
,, Publicity Officer.
,, Publicity Officer.
,, Law (Legislative) Department.
,, Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
,, Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore
,, ,, at Hyderabad.
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ANNEXURE I.

/Paragraph 7(b) of Government Order./

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2. At the same time the printer or lithographer shall furnish the Registrar with a memorandum duly dated and signed by himself and countersigned by the publisher and containing the following particulars:-

(1) The title of the book and the contents of the title page.
(2) The language in which the book is written.
(3) The name of -
  (a) the author
  (b) the translator, and
  (c) the editor of the book or any part thereof.
(4) The subject of the book.
(5) (a) The place of printing, and
  (b) the place of publication.
(6) (a) The name xx or firm of the printer, and
  (b) the name or firm of the publisher.
(7) The date of delivery from the press and of the publication.
(8) The number of sheets, leaves, or pages.
(9) The size.
(10) The number of the edition.
(11) The number of copies of which the edition consists.
(12) Whether the book is printed or lithographed.
(13) The price at which the book is sold to the public.
(14) The name and residence of the proprietor of the copyright or of any portion thereof.

3. The xx receipt referred to in section 10 of the Act shall be in the following form:-

"I, A.B., Registrar of Books, Madras, do hereby acknowledge to have received from C.D., printer (or lithographer, as the case may be), a copy of with a memorandum of the particulars specified in paragraph 2 of the rules published under Notification, dated

4. The Registrar of Books shall deposit all books received under section 9(a) of the Act in a separate library which shall be constituted a reference xxx library.

5. Every keeper of a printing press shall, within ten days after the first day of January, the first day of April, the first day of July and the first day of October of each year, forward to the District Magistrate, or if the press is situate within the limits of the town of Madras to the Chief Presidency Magistrate, a return in the appended form of all books printed at his press in the quarter preceding the said dates, or if no books have been printed at his press, a statement to that effect-

QUARTERLY RETURN OF BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS ISSUED FROM THE PRESS.

Full title of book (contents of title pagex).	Printer and place of publication.	Date of delivery from the press and of the publication.

6. The catalogue of books printed within the Presidency of Fort St. George and referred to in section 18 of the Act shall be kept by the Registrar of Books.

7. The Registrar of Books shall forward to the Government through the Director of Public Instruction, at the end of each quarter, an extract from the catalogue of the books registered during the quarter. Similar extracts shall be forwarded quarterly to each District Magistrate and the Chief Presidency Magistrate for the books printed within their jurisdictions.

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(True copy)

Registrar of Books

Government of Madras.

Received ......1931　　　　Registered 11......1931.

Abstract.

Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 - Section 21 - Exemption. Notification of the Government of India - Republished.

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Public (General) Department.
G.O.No. Ms. 5., dated the 5th January 1931.

ORDER.

The following notification of the Government of India, Department of Education, Health and Lands, No. 2213 Edn., dated 9th December 1930 will be republished in the Fort St. George Gazette:-

Notification.

No. 2213 Edn.,
Government of India.
Department of Education, Health and Lands.
New Delhi, the 9th Decr. 1930.

Notification.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 21 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 (XXV of 1867), and in supersession of the notification of the Government of India in the Home Department No. 1294, dated the 12th March 1868, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to exclude all books and papers printed or published under the orders of Government or for official purposes from the operation of the whole of the said Act.

F. Noyce,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

(By Order of the Governor in Council)

C.W.E. Cotton,
Chief Secretary.

To The Superintendent Government Press, etc.,

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" The Registrar of Books, Madras.

Forwarded.
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Superintendent.

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Registrar of Books.

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Books and publications - The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 - Delivery of Copies of books to Govt under the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948.

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Memo. No. 20584/F/49-1 Edn. d 6/7/50

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The D.P.I is requested to State whether the provisions of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 as amended by Section 19 of the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948, are now being ~~followed~~ Complied with by the Printers and Publishers in this State in the matter of delivery of the prescribed number of books in accordance with the new provisions

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To
The D.P.I.
Ex. R/1 on 9.8.50
N.R. 1/9/50.

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4.7.50

ASSISTANT SECRETARY
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24 AUG 1950
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

FROM

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS.

To

The Secretary to Government, Education Department.

R.C.No. 1420 I4/50 dt. 21-8-50.

Sir,

Sub:-Books and Publications - The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 - Delivery of Copies of Books to Government under the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948.

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Ref:-Your Reminder I dt. 9-8-50 on Government Memo.No. 20584-F/49-1 Edn. dt. 6-7-50. fo 21 ante

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The matter is under correspondence with the Registrar of Books, Madras and a reply will be submitted as soon as the reply is received from him.

Yours faithfully,

25-8-50

For Director of Public Instruction.

Edu (P)

The D.P.I may be reminded again on 20/9/50, if necessary.

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Very urgent

From The Asst. Secretary to Govt.
Edu. Dept

To.
The P.A to the D.P.I

The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 - Delivery of Copies of books to Govt. under the Madras Libraries Act 1948.

p21 cf — Memo. No. 20584/F/49-1 Edu d 6.7.50

p23 cf From the D.P.I. Re. No. 1420 L4/50. d 21.8.50

Please obtain the information called for ~~f~~ in the memo cited above very urgently from the Registrar of Books and ~~submit his reply on the above above subject.~~ forward it at a very early date.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY
4 OCT 1950
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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Education Department.

From
The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras

To
The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education Department, Fort St.George, Madras.

R.C.No.1420-L4/50 dated 2nd October,1950.

SIR,

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS--The Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867--Delivery of copies of books to Government under the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948.
Reference:-Government Memorandum No.20584-F/49-1,Edn., dated 6..7..1950.

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In this connection the Registrar of Books has suggested that for the present it would be more convenient to require the printers to send, as before, one copy of each publication to his office for registration and to send the four extra copies direct to the Central Library. I recommend that this may be accepted. Frequent notifications may also be made in the Gazette.

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In another connection proposals have been submitted to Government for the amalgamation of the office of the Registrar of Books with that of the Connemara Library and if this is done all the five copies may be sent to that Library(Central Library).

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Yours faithfully,

For Director of Public Instruction.

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The Madras Public Libraries Rules, 1950.

(*G.O. No.* 627, *Education*, 28*th February* 1950.)

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 18 (1) of the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948 (Madras Act XXIV of 1948), His Excellency the Governor of Madras hereby makes the following rules:—

RULES.

CHAPTER I.

The Provincial Library Committee—Constitution, powers and duties.

1. (1) These rules may be called the Madras Public Libraries Rules, 1950.

(2) They shall come into force on the 1st April 1950.

2. (1) The Provincial Library Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee), shall consist of—

(i) the Minister in charge of Education (hereinafter referred to as the Minister);

(ii) the Minister in charge of Local Administration;

(iii) the Director of Public Instruction (ex-officio Director of Public Libraries, hereinafter referred to as the Director);

(iv) the Special Officer assisting the Director in the administration of the Act (hereinafter referred to as the Special Officer);

(v) two persons elected by the State Legislature, one by the members of the Legislative Assembly and the other by the members of the Legislative Council;

(vi) one person nominated by each of the Syndicates of (*i*) the Madras University, (*ii*) the Andhra University, and (*iii*) the Annamalai University;

(vii) one person nominated by each of the executives of (*i*) the Madras Library Association, (*ii*) the Andhradesa Library Association, (*iii*) the Kerala Library Association and (*iv*) the Kannada Library Association;

(viii) one person with special knowledge of matters relating to libraries nominated by the Minister;

(ix) one person nominated by the Minister from among the members of the Local Library Authority of the City of Madras;

(x) two persons nominated by the Minister from among the members of the Local Library Authorities of the districts.

(2) The Minister shall be the President and the Special Officer shall be the Secretary of the Committee.

(3) The Director shall address the Secretary to the Madras Legislature for the election of the members to be elected by the Legislature to the Committee. The members shall be elected upon a motion to be made in the House concerned by the Minister.

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-rule (3), the term of office of a nominated or elected member of the Committee, other than an ex-officio member, shall be three years from the date of his nomination or election, as the case may be.

(2) A vacancy in the office of a nominated or elected member of the Committee occurring otherwise than by efflux of time shall be filled by nomination or election, as the case may be, and the person nominated or elected to fill the vacancy shall hold office only for the remainder of the term for which the member whose place he takes was nominated or elected.

(3) A member nominated in his capacity as the holder of a particular office shall, if he ceases to be the holder of that office, cease to be a member of the Committee.

(4) Members of the Committee shall be eligible for re-nomination or re-election.

4. The members of the Committee and its sub-committees shall receive no remuneration except travelling and halting allowances at the rates fixed for members of the State Legislature.

5. The Committee shall commence functioning notwithstanding the fact that Local Library Authorities have not been constituted or representatives of such authorities have not been nominated to the Committee.

6. (1) The Committee shall meet at such times and in such places as may be determined by the Minister.

(2) Five members will form a quorum.

(3) In the absence of the Minister, the members present at a meeting of the Committee shall elect a Chairman from among themselves.

(4) (*a*) The Committee may appoint sub-committees to examine special problems coming within its purview and to formulate proposals for its consideration and to deal with current administration in respect of matters comprehended in rule 7, clauses (*c*), (*d*), (*e*), (*g*) and (*h*).

(*b*) Such sub-committees may consist solely of members of the Committee or solely of non-members who are experts in matters relating to libraries or partly of members and partly of such non-members.

7. The matters in regard to which the Committee may advise the Government, exercise powers or perform duties, are the following:—

(*a*) (i) The constitution of the central library and its branches or the recognition of an existing Government library together with its branches, if any, as such central library and its branches.

(ii) The laying down of the policy for the management of the central library including its branches.

(*b*) The rules to be framed under section 18 of the Act.

(*c*) (i) The encouraging of the employment of trained professional staff of different grades for the library system of the State.

(ii) The maintenance of a register of approved members of the library profession of different grades from among whom the professional staff of the libraries of the State may be appointed.

(iii) The prescription of qualifications, academic and professional, needed for the different grades of professional staff for inclusion in the register of approved librarians.

(iv) The suggestion of standard scales of salary and other conditions of service for the different grades of professional staff in libraries.

(*d*) The publication of the copy-right list of the State bibliography and book selection lists for the benefit of the libraries of the State.

(*e*) (i) The promotion of co-operative classification and cataloguing and other forms of co-operation and co-ordination among the libraries of the State and of India as a whole.

(ii) The promotion of standards for library buildings, fittings and furniture and for library technique.

(*f*) (i) The promotion of production of reference books, adults' books and children's books suitable for use in libraries.

(ii) The promotion of production and use of books for the blind.

(*g*) The consideration of the schemes submitted by the Local Library Authorities.

(*h*) The consideration of the stages in which libraries in different areas are to be established.

Local Library Authorities—Filling up of vacancies in the office of members.

8. The Director or the Chairman of the Local Library Authority for the City of Madras shall intimate to the Corporation of Madras the existence or the occurrence of a vacancy or vacancies in the Local Library Authority aforesaid to be filled by the Corporation by election and thereupon the Corporation shall elect the required number of members.

9. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the Local Library Authority for the City of Madras to be filled by nomination by the Government, the Chairman of the Local Library Authority shall address the Director to take the necessary step to fill it up.

10. Any vacancy arising under section 5 (2) (*c*) of the Act shall be reported to the Director for taking such action as may be necessary.

11. The Director or the Chairman of the Local Library Authority of the district shall intimate to the president of the district board, the occurrence or the existence of a vacancy in the Library Authority aforesaid to be filled by election by the district board. Thereupon the district board shall elect a member to fill up the vacancy.

12. The Chairman of the Local Library Authority of the district shall intimate to the District Panchayat Officer or the Deputy Panchayat Officer of the district the occurrence or the existence of a vacancy or vacancies in the Library Authority aforesaid to be filled by election by the presidents of the panchayats in the district. Thereupon the District Panchayat Officer or the Deputy Panchayat Officer, as the case may be, shall make the arrangements necessary for such election.

13. The Director or the Chairman of the Local Library Authority of the district shall intimate to the Chairman of the municipal council the occurrence or the existence of a vacancy or vacancies in the Library Authority aforesaid to be filled by election by the municipal council and thereupon the council shall elect the required number of members.

14. Whenever vacancies occur in the Local Library Authority of a district among the ten members nominated by the Director, the Chairman of the Local Library Authority shall address the Director to take the steps necessary to fill them up.

15. Any vacancy arising under section 5 (3) (*e*) of the Act shall be reported by the Chairman of the Local Library Authority to the Director for taking such action as may be necessary.

16. (1) The election of members to the Local Library Authority to be made by the Corporation of Madras or a district board or municipal council shall be by ballot at a meeting held for the purpose by the body concerned.

(2) The election of one member to the Local Library Authority to be made by the presidents of the panchayats in each taluk in the district shall be by ballot at a meeting of the presidents concerned.

CHAPTER II.

Libraries eligible for aid.

17. The Director shall maintain a register of aided libraries.

18. The following are the conditions determining eligibility for entry in the register of aided libraries, namely:—

(1) The library shall be kept open free of charge to the public of the locality for consultation of reading and kindred materials within the premises without any restriction except those relating to proper behaviour, public health and conformity to the rules of the library which have received the approval of the Director.

(2) The library shall be kept open for use by the public for not less than 30 hours in a week, shall have a minimum average daily attendance to be fixed by the Director shall be located in a place accessible to all communities and shall not be removed to any place inaccessible to any community without the previous sanction of the Director.

(3) The library shall have books and not merely newspapers and current periodicals.

(4) The indents for books to be purchased for libraries shall receive the prior approval of the Local Library Authority. The books to be purchased shall conform to the requirements mentioned below:—

(*a*) They shall be of general interest and of cultural value.

(*b*) The books, if they are stories or novels, shall be by standard authors and shall not be in doubtful taste.

(*c*) Books abusing communities or religions shall not be purchased.

(*d*) Books or magazines which are in doubtful taste or which contain undesirable pictures shall not be purchased.

(5) A separate register for books and for members shall be maintained in each library.

(6) The library shall lend books for use outside the library premises on conditions approved by the Director and the number of books so lent in a year shall not be less than a minimum to be fixed by the Director.

(7) The library shall have an adequate staff to administer its affairs according to the standard fixed by the Director.

(8) The library shall be located in a building of its own with the necessary fittings and furniture to the satisfaction of the Director, who shall give advice about the standards required in each case.

(9) The library shall have a capital fund to be determined by the Director and a minimum annual income to be fixed by the Director derived from the capital fund, subscriptions and other sources taken together but excluding Government grant.

(10) The library shall be owned and managed by a body approved by the Director and the copy of its constitution and by-laws shall be filed with the Director.

19. The following are the conditions for retention of the name of a library in the register of aided libraries from year to year, namely:—

(1) There shall be no deterioration in the standards and conditions approved at the time of entry in the register.

(2) The Director or his agents shall be allowed to inspect the library, from time to time, in order that the Director may satisfy himself that the standards and conditions of eligibility are being maintained.

(3) Periodicals and *ad hoc* returns and reports shall be submitted at such times and incorporating such information as may be required by the Director.

(4) The library building and other immovable property of the library or its capital fund shall not be alienated without the sanction of the Director and without the same being replaced to an extent equal in value to the satisfaction of the Director.

(5) All changes in the constitution and by-laws of the body owning the library shall be subject to the approval of the Director and a copy of the same shall be filed with the Director.

(6) All changes in personnel of the Managing Body shall be reported to the Director within one month of the change.

(7) Each year the annual accounts as audited and certified by an auditor approved by the Director shall be submitted to him.

20. The aid to be given by the Director may be—

(1) non-recurring to meet capital expenditure on buildings, furniture and fittings,

or

(2) recurring to meet current expenditure on all or any of the following, namely:—

(*a*) the purchase of reading and kindred materials;

(*b*) binding and preservation of reading and kindred materials;

(*c*) the payment to the staff;

(*d*) deputation allowance for staff deputed for professional training at institutions approved by the Director for the purpose;

(*e*) other office expenses.

(3) The aid may be both recurring and non-recurring.

21. (1) Non-recurring grant shall be made on such capital expenditure as is made on buildings whose plans and specifications are approved by the Director and are erected in accordance with the estimates approved by him.

(2) The non-recurring grant shall bear such proportion to the actual expenditure as is fixed by the Government from time to time, subject to a maximum amount determined by the Government in relation to the approved estimate.

22. (1) The recurring grant for a financial year shall be sanctioned by the Director on the basis of the expenditure for the preceding financial year as shown in the accounts and balance sheet in the report of the approved auditor:

Provided that the estimated expenditure of the current year approved by the Director may form the basis for the first year in which a library is given aid. Any adjustment in the amount of recurring grant for the first year that may become necessary on the basis of the actual expenditure for the year may be made in the next year.

(2) The recurring grant shall bear such proportion to the actual expenditure as is fixed by the Government from time to time.

CHAPTER III.

Financial Rules—General.

23. All moneys received by the Local Library Authority shall be deposited in the nearest Government treasury:

Provided that the Local Library Authority may, with the sanction of the Government, for specified reasons, have a current account with a local bank approved by the Government:

Provided further that the Local Library Authority may, with the sanction of Government, invest any sums not required for immediate use either in the Government Savings Bank or in Government securities, or in any other security which may be approved by Government.

24. All orders or cheques against the library fund shall be signed by the Chairman of the Local Library Authority or by some person duly authorized by him in this behalf. The treasury (or bank) in which the fund is deposited shall, so far as the funds to the credit of the Local Library Authority admit, pay all orders or cheques against the fund which are so signed.

Audit, surcharge and disallowance.

25. (1) The Local Library Authority shall submit all accounts to auditors as required by them.

(2) The auditors may—

(i) in writing, require the production of any book, deed, contract, account, voucher, receipt or other document the perusal or examination of which they consider necessary;

(ii) in writing require any person who has the custody or control of any such document or who is accountable for it to appear in person before them;

(iii) require any person so appearing to make and sign a declaration with respect to such document or to answer any question or to prepare and furnish any statement relating thereto.

26. The auditors shall—

(1) report to the Local Library Authority any material impropriety or irregularity which they may observe in the expenditure, or recovery of moneys due to the Local Library Authority or in the accounts;

(2) furnish to the Local Library Authority such information as it may require concerning the progress of their audit;

(3) report to the Local Library Authority any loss or waste of money or other property owned by or vested in the Local Library Authority caused by neglect or misconduct, with the names of persons, directly or indirectly, responsible for such loss or waste; and

(4) submit to the Local Library Authority a final statement of the audit and a copy thereof to the Director and to Government within a period of three months from the end of the financial year, or within such other period as the Government may from time to time notify.

27. The Local Library Authority shall forthwith remedy any defects or irregularities that may be pointed out by the auditors and report the same to the Director and to Government.

28. The auditors may disallow every item contrary to law and surcharge the same on the person making, or authorizing the making of, the illegal payment; and may charge against any person responsible therefor the amount of any deficiency, loss or unprofitable outlay incurred by the negligence or misconduct of that person or of any sum which ought to have been but is not brought into account by that person and shall, in every such case, certify the amount due from such person.

29. The auditors shall state in writing the reasons for their decision in respect of every disallowance, surcharge or charge.

30. Every sum certified to be due from any person by the auditors under the Act, shall be paid by such person to the Local Library Authority within fourteen days from the date of intimation by the Chairman of the said Authority to such person of the decision of the auditors unless within that time he has appealed to the Government against the decision; and such sum if not so paid, or such sum as the Government shall on appeal declare to be due, shall be recoverable by the Local Library Authority.

31. Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules the Government may at any time direct that the recovery of the whole or any part of the amount certified to be due from any person by auditors under this Act shall be waived if in their opinion such a course is necessary considering all the circumstances of the case.

CHAPTER IV.

Mode of transacting business.

32. The Local Library Authority shall provide an office and shall meet therein for the transaction of business at least once in two months, upon such days and at such times as it may arrange and also at other times as often as a meeting shall be called by the Chairman.

33. The Chairman shall, on the requisition in writing of not less than one-third of the members then on the Local Library Authority convene a meeting of the said authority provided that the requisition specifies the day when and the purpose for which the meeting is to be held. The requisition shall be delivered at the office of the Local Library Authority during office hours to the Chairman, Secretary, or any other official in charge of the office of the Local Library Authority at least ten clear days before the day of the meeting. In case the Chairman fails to comply with the requisition the members who signed the requisition may summon a meeting of the Local Library Authority and hold it if there is the required quorum, electing one among themselves as the Chairman.

34. Every meeting of the Local Library Authority shall be presided over by the Chairman and in his absence by a member chosen by the meeting to preside for the occasion.

35. All meetings of the Local Library Authority shall be open to the public:

Provided that the presiding member may and, at the request of the Local Library Authority, shall in any particular case, for reasons to be recorded in the minute book kept under rule 40, direct that the public generally, or any particular person, shall withdraw.

36. All questions which may come before the Local Library Authority at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of the members present and voting at the meeting and, in every case of equality of votes, the presiding member shall have and exercise a second or casting vote.

37. No business shall be transacted at a meeting, unless there be present at least six members or, if the number of members then on the Local Library Authority exceeds sixteen, at least one-third of that number.

38. If within half an hour after the time appointed for a meeting, a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned, unless all the members present agree to wait longer.

39. No resolution of the Local Library Authority shall be modified or cancelled within three months after the passing thereof except at a meeting specially convened in that behalf and by a resolution of the Local Library Authority supported by not less than one-half of the sanctioned number of members.

40. Minutes of the proceedings at each meeting of the Local Library Authority shall be drawn up and entered in a book to be kept for that purpose; and shall be signed by the presiding member or in his absence by some one of the members present thereat; and the said minute shall, at all reasonable times and without charge, be open at the office of the Local Library Authority to the inspection of any person who pays any cess under this Act in the said area.

41. The proceedings of every committee appointed by the Local Library Authority shall be recorded in writing and submitted to the Local Library Authority.

42. (1) The duties of the Chairman of the Local Library Authority shall be as follows:—

(*a*) He shall preside over all the meetings of the Local Library Authority.

(*b*) He shall exercise general control over the Local Library Authority.

(*c*) He shall also exercise control over the appointments in the libraries under his jurisdiction for which suitable candidates shall be obtained from the Secretary of the Provincial Library Committee on application.

(2) The duties of the Secretary of the Local Library Authority shall be as follows:—

The Secretary of the Local Library Authority shall be the convenor for the meetings of the said Authority. He shall also be responsible for the appointment of the staff, proper control and supervision of the office of the Local Library Authority including its fund and shall sign cheques if authorized by the chairman under rule 24 in Chapter III.

43. If any difficulty arises in the interpretation or enforcement of these rules, the matter shall be reported to the Director whose decision thereon shall be final.

CHAPTER V.

Schemes to be submitted by Local Library Authorities.

44. Each Local Library Authority shall first prepare a tentative outline scheme giving in skeleton form, a picture of the number of main and branch libraries and delivery stations which its area should have ultimately, i.e., when the spread of y service reaches its fullness.

45 A tentative outline scheme shall give the following and any other relevant information:—

(1) a map of each city, i.e., a locality with a population of 50,000 or over, lying within the area with the positions of the main library and branch libraries shown by distinctive marks.

(2) the basis for the map of each city may be as follows:—

(*a*) one main library;

(*b*) a branch library either for each division or for every 25,000 people;

(3) a map of the area of each district with the position of each city and of the main and branch libraries and delivery stations to serve the rest of the district shown by distinctive marks;

(4) the basis for the map of a rural area, i.e., the area of a district board excluding the cities lying within it, may be as follows:—

(*a*) one main library as the minimum and more if the size or shape or the terrain of the area demands it,

(*b*) one branch library for each town, i.e., a locality with a population between 5,000 and 50,000, and

(*c*) one delivery station for each village, i.e., a locality with a population between 1,000 and 5,000 and one for each group of three contiguous hamlets, i.e., localities with a population below 1,000;

(5) a tabular statement of the material given in the map under the following heads:—

(*a*) for each city—
  (i) Division.
  (ii) Area.
  (iii) Population.
  (iv) Branch library.
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(*b*) for each district—
  (i) Area.
  (ii) Population.
  (iii) Number of cities.
    I. Total population of the cities.
    II. Number of branch libraries in cities.
  (iv) Number of towns and their total population.
  (v) Balance of the population.
  (vi) Number of villages and their total population.

(vii) Number of hamlets and their total population.
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46. The Director shall consolidate the statements in the tentative outline schemes of all the Local Library Authorities and the results of his local enquiry about the degree of urgency and spontaneous demand for library service.

47. The advice of the Provincial Library Committee shall be sought to decide a tentative time-table for the development of libraries on the basis of—

(1) the tentative outline schemes;
(2) the consolidated statement of the Director;
(3) the rate at which trained man-power can be developed;
(4) the rate at which buildings can be erected;
(5) the rate at which fittings and equipment can be produced;
(6) the amount that can be raised as library cess without violence to the taxable capacity at the level of local taxation; and
(7) the amount that can be found by the Government for—
    (*a*) capital expenditure on buildings, fittings, equipment and initial stock of reading and kindred materials, and
    (*b*) recurring expenditure as grants to public and aided libraries.

48. The tentative time-table finally decided upon by the Government shall be taken as the basis for the invitation of detailed schemes from Local Library Authorities.

49. The Director shall issue instructions from time to time in regard to the matters to be included by the Local Library Authority in the detailed schemes aforesaid.

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Secretary to Government.

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All District Magistrates.
The Librarian, Connemara Public Library.
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Yours faithfully,

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To The Director of Public Instruction Madras

RECEIVED DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION 16 MAR 1951 MADRAS Rc 1420 LN/50.

I am [illegible] attention to Govt. Memo. No. 1931/F/51-1 dated 16/2/51 and to request that the reply to it may be expedited.

~~request that this reminder may be returned at once with information as to—~~

~~(1) the stage at which the matter now is,~~

~~(2) the date by which a reply may be expected, and~~

~~(3) the circumstances which have caused the delay~~

Office Secretariat
Station Fort St George
Dated 14/3/51

Signature D Kamanna
for Asst. Secretary to Govt.
Designation

SUBJECT.

Books and publications - The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 Delivery of Copies of books to Govt under the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948.

REPLY.

To The Secretary to Government.
Education Department.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY
22 MAR 1951
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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Resubmitted

2) The matter is under ~~Consideration~~ Correspondence

for Director of Public Instruction 21/3

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The D.P.I will be next reminded ~~again~~ on 18/4/51

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Office of the
Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY
4 MAY 1951
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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education Department,
Madras.

Rc. No. 1420 LN/50 dated 3-5-1951.

Sir,

Sub: Books and publications- The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 - Delivery of copies of Books to Government under the Madras Public Library Act 1948.

Ref: Government Memo. No. 1931/F/51-1 Education dated 16-2-1951.

H3-4 ante

It is reported by the Registrar of Books that there has since been no appreciable improvement in the matter of the delivery of the prescribed number (5) of copies of books by the printers in the State. This is probably due to the printers ~~bearing~~ being still ignorant of the Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 as amended by the Madras Public Library Act 1948.

2. I therefore suggest that Government may kindly instruct the District

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Magistrate to send a list of books printed in each district monthly to the Registrar of Books so that he can verify the list with the books received and remind the defaulting printers.

Yours faithfully,

L. B 3/5

for Director of Public Instruction.

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Education Deptt.(F)

1931/F/51

Books and publications - The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 - Delivery of copies of books to Govt. under the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948- Monthly list of books printed in each District- Further instructions to District Magistrates.

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Read again G.O.(Ms) 3037 Education dated 14-11-1950.
From the D.P.I. Rc.No.1420 L4/50 d/9-1-51 and
Rc.No.1420 LN/50 dated 3-5-1951.

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Memo No. 1931/F/51-3 Edn. d/ 26/5/51

It is reported by the Registrar of Books that there has been no appreciable improvement in the matter of delivery of the prescribed number (five) of copies of books by the printers as required by the provisions of Sec 9 of the Press and Registration of Books Act as amended by the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948 and that probably, ~~that~~ the Printers are ignorant of the provisions ~~of Section 9 of the Press and Registration of Books Act as amended by the M.P.L. Act, 1948~~. The Chief Presidency Magistrate, Madras and the District Magistrates are therefore requested to send a list of the books printed in their respective districts monthly to the Registrar of Books, Madras to enable him to verify the list with the books received by him and remind the defaulting printers.

14/26/5

To
The Chief Presidency Magistrate~~s~~,
Madras.
All Dt.Magistrates
Copy to the D,P.I.
Copy to the Regr. of Books (thro' the D.P.I.)

S/c.(2)

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18/5/51

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Education Department.
Memorandum No.1931/F/51-3, Education dated 26th May, 1951.

Sub:- Books and publications - The Press and Registration of Books Act 1867 - Delivery of copies of books to Government under the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948 - Monthly list of books printed in each District - Further instructions to District Magistrates.

Ref:- G.O. (Ms) 3037 Education dated 14-11-1950.
From the Director of Public Instruction Rc No. 1420 L4/50 dated ~~91~~ 9-1-51 and
Rc No.1420 LN/50 dated 3-5-1951.

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K. M. UNNITHAN,
Secretary to Government.

P.T.O.

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To the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Madras.
All District Magistrates.
Copy to the Director of Public Instruction.
" the Registrar of Books (through the Director of Public Instruction.

Forwarded/By Order.

Superintendent.

KJB. 28/5.

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28 E & P.H (G3)

20584

The Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 – Delivery of Copies of books to Govt.

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Attention is invited to Section 19 of the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948. ~~Under~~ Section 19 of the Press and Registration of Books Act, as amended requires the delivery of five copies instead of one copy, of every book printed or lithographed. Under Sec. 11 of the P.R.B. Act, as now amended, four of the five copies ~~to~~ received are to be deposited in the Central Library referred to in Sec. 4 of the Libraries Act. Action is being taken separately to constitute the Connemara Public Library as the Central Library for the purpose of ~~[illegible]~~ of the Libraries Act.

M on p/18 of (A)

File sent to Legal

It is for consideration whether the new provisions of the P.R.B. Act may be brought to the notice of the Printers & Publishers, by a Press Note. If so, the draft below is for approval.

15/3/49

Public, ~~F P W~~ (Ed?) & Legal may see the draft. A copy of the Press note will be communicated to the D.P.I., all Dist Magistrates & the Commissioner of Police.

15.3.49

15/3/49

P.T.O.

"This will come into effect only when Section 19 has been brought into operation. Has it?"

M.V.S.,
15-3-49.
Secretary.

It was originally thought that Section 19 could be brought into effect now, along with Section 4, and that both the notification bringing these Sections into force and this Press Note could be issued together. In view of the opinion of Legal in the concerned file of C2 Section, this is not possible now as all the Sections of the Act (except Section 1) have to be brought into effect on the same date; and this can be done only after the Rules are ready for issue.

20584 in the linked file

p2 ref of the linked file

This file may therefore lie over till 1-5-1949.

N.V.S.,
15-3-49.

V.R.,
16-3-49.
Asst.Secy.

This may again lie over till 20-6-1949.

N.V.S.,
7-5-49.

Please put up the C2 Section file.

V.R.,
9-5-49.

Submitted. The file referred above from C2 Section is linked below.

N.V.S.,
10-5-49.

Draft rules under the Madras Public Libraries Act are awaited from the D.P.I. The Special Officer (Sri R. Janardhanam Naidu) has entered on his duties in the office of the D.P.I. Legal may advise whether without waiting for the issue of the Rules under the Madras Libraries Act, the draft Press Note below which relates to Section 19 of the Public Libraries Act (Amendment of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867) in its application to this Province may be issued.

11-5-49

ASSISTANT SECRETARY
13 MAY 1949
LEGAL DEPARTMENT

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E&P.H.D.O. No
20584/G2/49-1
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Legal Department

As section 19 of the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948, has not yet come into force, it is presumed that the intention in issuing the Press note is only to make known to the public the relevant provisions of the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, as amended by the said section 19. If so, there is no objection to the issue of the Press note. But it is better to make it clear in the press note itself that the Government intend to bring these provisions into force shortly and that as soon as it is done all these consequences would follow.

16/5/49

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
23 MAY 19
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Legal U.O. 6027/49-1
20/5/49.

E&PH (G2)

A/18.

The Press Note the draft of which will be found below is intended to explain to the printers and publishers the consequences of the amendment to the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 embodied in Section 19 of the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948 – this section has not yet been brought into force and can be brought into force only after the Rules on which the Special Officer is now working are ready for publication.

It is for orders whether the Press Note may be published now or when ~~the~~ Section 19 is brought into force

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If it is to be published now, the draft will be modified with reference to K in the Legal note on the previous page –

The press note may be published after section 19 is brought into force.

23.5.49

25/5/49

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E&P.H (Eg2)

Please see the orders above.
This may lie over till 1-7-49.

26/5/49

26.5.49

27/5/49

E.&P.H (Eg2).

It is understood from E2 section that Section 19 of the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948 has not yet been brought into force. This may therefore continue to lie over till 25-8-49.

27/7/49.

29-7-49

27.7.49

As section 19 ~~is not yet ... brought~~ has not yet ~~to~~ have been brought into force, this may continue to lie over till 30-9-49.

6/9/49.

29-9-49

6.9.49

May continue to lie over till 1.12.49 –

11.10.49

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The Govt. have decided to bring the provisions of the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948, from the 1st April 1950 – The press note below bringing to the notice of the public the amended provisions pertaining to the delivery of free copies of every book printed or lithographed, which has been lying over may be issued along with the notifications bringing the ~~Notifi~~ Libraries Act into force – It is understood that the notifications will be published in the Gazette in the course of this month (March)

Legal, Pub and FW(I&P) may see.

11.3.50

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1. British Museum to [illegible] to be Consult.
2. What are the functions of the Local Govt. in 9(6)?
3. Instructions re disposal of the [illegible] copy [illegible]

Spoken to Secy

Retd by Secy

20.6.50

Extract of Asst. Secy's remarks.

"Secretary said that there is not much use in issuing a Press Note now. Please put up a memo to the D.P.I. asking him to state whether the provisinns of the Act as amended are now being complied with by the Printers etc. in the matter of the delivery of books."

N.V.S.
29-6-50

Edu C(F)

Please see Asst. Secretary's orders above extracted above.

The draft memo to the D.P.I. below is submitted for approval.

4.7.50

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3/7/50

Issued as Memo No 20584F/49-1 D/6/7/50

From the D.P.I. R. No. 1420-L4/50 D/3/10/50.

Section 9 of the Press and Registration of Books Act as amended by Section 19 of the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948 requires the delivery of five copies instead of one copy, of every printed or lithographed publication. Under Section 11 of the P.R.B-Adt, as now amended, four of the five copies received, are to be deposited in the central library referred to in sectio ~~4x~~ 4 of the Libraries Act. The question ~~under~~ for consideration in the file is whether the new provisions of the Press and Registration of The Books Act may not be brought to the notice of the printers and publishers by a press note. In Memo No. 20584F/49-1 D/ 6/7/50, the D.P.I was asked to state whether the provisions of the P.R.B. Act are now being complied with by the printers ~~xx~~ and publishers in the ~~sate~~ state in the matter of delivery of the prescribed number of books . The Director now reports that the new provisions of the Act are not being complied with by the printers in general. He therefore considers it necessary to give wide publicity to the new provisions of the Act.

The suggestion of the D.P.I. that the chief Presidency Magistrate, Madras and all the Dt. Magistrates may be asked to extend their cooperation in bringing the amendment to the notice of the printers when they make declarations before them under section 4 and 5 of the P.R.B. Act, may be accepted. As regards intimation to the various press keepers in the state, the Director may be asked to issue a circular to all the printers and publishers.

The D.P.I. has also suggested that it would be more convenient to require the printers to send as before one copy of each publication to this office of the Registrar for registration and send the four extra copies direct to the central library. Attention is in this connection ~~is~~ invited to Sections 9 and 11 of the P.R.B. Act as amended by Section 19 of the Madras Public Libraries Act 1948. It appears that under the provisions of these amendments, all ~~xxx~~ the five copies should be sent direct to the Registrar of Books by the printers and that the Registrar of Books will have to send four copies to ~~xx~~ the central library. A direction to the ~~DxRxI~~ printers as suggested by the D.P.I at M on page 28 cf. does not appear permissible. The remarks of Legal may be invited on this ~~xx~~ point.

p 21 cf

pp 27-28 cf

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p 8 of (A)

p 11 of the [illegible] put up

Y on p 8 of (A)

p 21 cf

p 27 cf

p 27 cf

M

p 28 cf

pp 9-10 & 11 of the [illegible]

p 8 of (A)

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There should be no Difficulty for the Regr. of Books in receiving 5 books and retaining one of those copies & sending the remaining four to the Librarian, Connemara Public Library.

DS
17.10.50

24.10.50.

~~That~~ Instructions may be issued as at M on the previous page & N above (Legal need not be troubled)

24.10.50.

Edu(F) Dept.

(with book 'P.R.B Act 1867')

With ref. to orders above, the draft order below is submitted for approval.

In view of this there ~~is~~ appears to be no need to issue any Press Note as it was originally intended - p 4 ante

Ch
4.11.50.

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7.11.50

M. revise the draft as indicated

7.11.50.

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Edu (F)

~~The~~ A revised draft order is submitted ~~belongs~~ for approval.

11.11.50

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Dy 10/11/50

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Edu Dept (F)

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Books and publications - The Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 - Delivery of copies of books to Govt under the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948.

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p31 c f of (L) In G.O. No 3037 Edn d 14.11.1950, the Chief Presidency Magistrate ~~and~~, Madras and all Dt. Magistrates were requested to bring to the notice of printers and publishers the provisions of the Press and Registration of Books Act as amended by Section 19 of the (not put up) Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948 in the matter of delivery of the prescribed number (five copies) of publications to the Registrar of Books. The D.P.I. was para 2 in p31 c f of (L) also asked to issue a circular to all printers and publishers in the state impressing upon them their obligation regarding the delivery of the prescribed number of books to the Registrar of Books. The D.P.I. does not consider it necessary to issue a circular to the p1 c f various presses from his office and states that if necessary, each District Magistrate can send a circular to the presses in the Districts. In view of the instructions already issued to the C.P.M. ~~Magistrate~~ Madras p31 c ff (L) and Dt. Magistrates in para 1 of the G.O. referred to above, ~~no further instructions to them~~ it does not appear necessary to ask the Dt. Magistrates to send a circular to the presses in the matter. Orders whether ~~The~~ the existing instructions ~~may perhaps~~ will be considered sufficient. ~~[illegible]~~ or the D.P.I. should be asked to issue a circular to the various presses from his office.

Dy 10/1/51

The D P I may be asked to state whether the printers and publishers ~~are~~ deliver five copies of their publications as required by the

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Re Act as now amended –
Please draft a memo

12.2.51

Edu (F)

The draft memo to the D.P.I. submitted below is for approval.

15.2.51

C/ 14/2/51
D.D. 14/2/51 (Issued as Memo. 1931/F/51-1 Edu d 16/2/51)
(C. 16706/51 From the D.P.I. Rc. No. 1420 LN/50 d 8/5/51) pp 3-4 cf pp 7-8 cf

Edu (F)

The D.P.I in his letter on pp 7-8 cf states that there is no appreciable improvement in the matter of the delivery of the prescribed number of five copies of books by the ~~Printings~~ Printers, probably due to their ignorance of the Press and Regn. of Books Act of 1867 as amended by the Madras Public Libraries Act of 1948. The Director suggests that the Dist. Magistrates may be asked to send a list of books printed in each district monthly to the Registrar of Books which may enable him to verify the list with the books received and remind the defaulting printers. The suggestion of the D.P.I may be accepted and the Dist. Magis. instructed accordingly. For orders.

at (A) p 1-2

Subject to orders the draft memo below is for approval. Public may see.

18.5.51

C/ 14/5/51
D.D. 15/5/51

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Public (Genl-A) Dept.

The notes of the Education Dept. at pp. 1-2 ante and the draft put up may be perused and the file ~~passed~~ returned ~~to~~ to that Dept.

24.5.51.

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Edu (F)

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25.5.51

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