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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF MADRAS.

SIR, FORT WILLIAM, *the 6th March* 1867.

The Governor General in Council has resolved that certain charges of a purely local character now borne by the Revenues of India, together with any further charge of a similar character, shall in future, as a general rule, be provided for from local resources.

I am to forward for the information of His Excellency the Governor the accompanying Bill for a License Tax on Trades and Professions, together with the Objects and Reasons, which will shortly be presented by the Financial Member to the Council for making Laws and Regulations.

His Excellency is requested to watch the operation of the new system of taxation which will be thus introduced, and from time to time to report his observations upon its working, together with any suggestions for its improvement, either generally or with special reference to the Provinces and Districts under his administration, which he may think proper for the consideration of the Governor General in Council.

The proceeds of this Tax will, in the first year of its incidence, be credited to the Revenues of India; and in the following year the proceeds will be credited to Local Revenue; and a moderate proportion of expenditure on objects of a strictly Local character, now charged to the Revenues of India, will thenceforward be transferred to Local Funds.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

Ed W Lushington.

Secretary to the Government of India.

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