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Government of Madras.

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Read the following papers:—

No. 392.

No. 27. OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

With reference to the large and repeated requisitions from the districts for the half anna embossed envelopes, the undersigned begs to inform Officers in charge of Huzoor Treasuries that, owing to the insufficiency of the stock in this office to meet the unusually large demand credited by the sudden reduction of the price of the said stamped envelopes, the undersigned indented upon and obtained from the Calcutta Stamp Office as much as it could spare of this description of stamps ; 189 reams were received on the 4th of September last, but at present there are only 17 reams left in store. The supply which has been indented for from England is not expected to arrive before January or February next. Meanwhile, repeated and pressing requisitions are received from districts, which, however, it will be seen from what has been stated above, cannot be complied with in full. Intimation will be given as soon as the stock is replenished by the arrival of the consignment from England. In the meantime the indent of each Treasury Officer can be complied with only to the extent which the small stock in hand and the requirements of other districts will allow. Some district indents lately received have been for 100 reams each. It is requested that such requisitions may not be made or repeated, as they now frequently are, until this office is in a position to meet the demands made upon it.

2. There are 220 reams of one anna envelopes in store.

MADRAS, (Signed) V. RAMIENGAR,
22nd October 1873. *Superintendent of Stamps.*

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No. 400.

To the Postmaster-General for his information with reference to his docket, No. 975—3890, dated 18th October 1873.

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From Major the Hon. E. R. BOURKE, Postmaster-General, to the Hon. V. RAMIENGAR, C.S.I., Superintendent of Stamps, dated Calicut, 29th October 1873, No. 848—3890.

Referring to your Memorandum, No. 392, dated 22nd October 1873, I would most strongly urge the necessity of your telegraphing to England immediately for a supply of half anna embossed envelopes, as I find that there is a very considerable demand for them indeed, and I consider it of great importance that a supply should be procured with the utmost despatch for issue to all Post Offices.

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No. 849—3890.

Copy forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government, with a request that the Superintendent of Stamps may be directed to telegraph at once to England for a full supply.

CALICUT, (Signed) E. R. BOURKE,
29th October 1873. *Postmaster-General.*

Referred to the Superintendent of Stamps for early report of the stamps required to be sent for from England immediately, irrespective of the indent to which he refers in his communication, No. 392.

2. It is observed that all telegraph messages to the Secretary of State for India should be sent by His Excellency the Governor only.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

OOTACAMUND,
1st November 1873.

No. 28. From the Hon. V. RAMIENGAR, C.S.I., Superintendent of Stamps, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 1st November 1873, No. 416.

With reference to my indent, dated the 18th of July last, for half anna and one anna embossed envelopes, I have the honour to submit, for the information of Government, the accompanying copy of a Circular Memorandum I have addressed to the Officers in charge of Collectorate Treasuries, and of a communication to the Director-General of the Post Office.

Vide Proceedings of Government, dated 22nd August 1873, No. 1193.

2. As the demand for half anna envelopes is both great and pressing, and as the supply indented for will not probably arrive in the usual course of things before January or February next, I beg to suggest the desirability of Government telegraphing to England to expedite the same.

From the Hon. V. RAMIENGAR, C.S.I., Superintendent of Stamps, to A. M. NONTEATH, Esq., Director General of the Post Offices in India, dated Madras, 27th October 1873, No. 402.

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I have the honour to forward, for your information, the accompanying copy of a Circular Memorandum which I have been obliged to address to Treasury Officers regarding the insufficiency of the stock of half anna envelopes in this office, and my inability to meet the large and pressing demand for them which has arisen consequent on the sudden reduction of the price to the value of the stamp borne by the envelopes.

To Director-General, 16th July 1873, No. 195.
From do. to Superintendent of Stamps, Calcutta, 29th July 1873, No. 2390.

2. I take the opportunity, at the same time, of annexing a memorandum showing the sales of half anna postage stamps during the last three months, viz., July, August, and September, as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The result, as you will see, is a considerable falling off. The decrease would doubtless have been much more marked but for the small quantities in which the stamped envelopes have been supplied from this office and sold in the districts. Of course a falling off in the sale of half anna labels was to be expected when the public were enabled to get a stamp *plus* an envelope for 6 Pies, where before they got only the stamp for the same amount and had to find their own envelopes.

STATEMENT showing the sale of Half Anna Postage Labels during the Second Quarter of 1873-74 as compared with the Second Quarter of 1872-73.

	2nd Quarter, 1872-73.	2nd Quarter, 1873-74.
Hyderabad	1,26,809	1,10,473
Ganjam	40,244	41,289
Vizagapatam	61,684	51,338

	2nd Quarter, 1872-73	2nd Quarter, 1873-74.
Godavery District	82,648	70,820
Kistna ,, ...	83,216	65,208
Nellore	36,880	29,752
Kurnool	23,956	19,392
Mysore	1,51,308	1,46,983
Bellary	85,872	82,984
Cuddapah	52,568	44,568
North Arcot	2,65,870	1,51,852
South Arcot	88,640	77,320
Salem	1,10,416	98,312
Tanjore	1,53,952	1,40,688
Trichinopoly	76,640	75,908
Tinnevelly	1,05,088	1,07,648
Madura	1,13,192	1,12,228
Coimbatore	98,064	91,624
Neilgherries	72,128	64,064
Malabar	1,96,864	1,30,772
South Canara	34,624	30,528
Travancore	38,984	40,218
Chingleput District	63,632	60,912
Madras ,, ...	2,02,232	3,65,664
Total ...	23,74,511	22,11,050

MADRAS,
27th October 1873.

(Signed) V. RAMIENGAR, C.S.I.,
Superintendent of Stamps.

No. 29. From the Hon. V. RAMIENGAR, C.S.I., Superintendent of Stamps, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 5th November 1873, No. 430.

In acknowledging the receipt of your docket, dated 1st instant, on a communication from the Postmaster-General, Madras, I have the honour to refer you to my letter marginally noted.

1st November 1872, No. 416.

2. One thousand and two hundred reams of half anna and 900 of one anna envelopes are included in my indent of the 18th July last; but judging from the issues since the 1st July, on which date the revised rules came into force; I find that so large a quantity as 900 reams of one anna will not be required. Besides, I have obtained a supply of nearly 200 reams of this from Calcutta since the date of my indent. I calculate that 250 reams of one anna will suffice to restore my stock to its normal quantity, viz., a supply equal to two years' consumption.

3. Of the half anna envelopes, however, the full quantity of 1200 reams will be required, and the Secretary of State should be requested to cause this to be despatched as early as practicable. The balance in store to-day is only 3 reams.

4. I should perhaps state that, according to the Bi-monthly Return of Stores under provision in England up to 31st August last, recorded in the Proceedings of Government, 13th ultimo, No. 73, just received, 80 reams of half anna envelopes out of 150 reams indented for in December of last year were shipped per S.S.

Dhoolia, which left England on the 23rd August last, but which is reported to have been recently wrecked in the Red Sea.

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, 8th November 1873, No. 1625.

Ordered that the following telegram be despatched to the Secretary of State:—

"Please send, overland, 600 reams half anna postage envelopes out of August indent. Eighty reams wrecked *Dhoolia*."

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Superintendent of Stamps.
" " Postmaster-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

GOVT. OF INDIA
FINANCIAL
To
THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STAMPS, &c. &c. &c.
Dated November 18
Rec.d
G.O., 6th November 1873, No. 1625.
NOVEMBER.
Nos. 37–50.

No 46

Madras

General Stamp Office

1st November 1873.

From The Honorable V. Ramiengar C.S.I.

Superintendent of Stamps.

To

The Hon'ble W. Huddleston

Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

Vide Pro.e of Govt dated 22nd August 1873 No 1193.

With reference to my Indent dated the 18th of July last for half-Anna and one Anna embossed Envelopes, I have the honor to submit, for the information of Government, the accompanying copy of a circular Memorandum I have addressed to the Officers in charge of Collectorate Treasuries and of a communication to the Director General of the Post Office.

2. As the demand for half-Anna envelopes is both great and pressing, and as the supply indented for will not probably arrive in the usual course of things before January or February next, I beg to suggest the

the desirability of Government telegraphing to England to expedite the same.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

E. Ramsayer

Superintendent of Stamps.

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No 392

Stamps

Official Memorandum.

With reference to the large and repeated requisitions from the Districts for half-anna embossed Envelopes, the undersigned begs to inform Officers in charge of Sheizar Treasuries that owing to the insufficiency of the stock in this Office to meet the unusually large demand created by the sudden reduction of the price of the said stamped Envelopes, the undersigned indented upon and obtained from the Calcutta Stamp Office as much as it could spare of this description of stamps. 180 Reams were received on the 4th of September last, but at present there are only 17 Reams left in store. The supply which has been indented for from England is not expected to arrive before January or February next. Meanwhile, repeated and pressing requisitions are received from Districts which, however, it will be seen from what has been stated above, cannot be complied with in full. Intimation will be given as soon as the stock is replenished by the arrival of the consignment from England. In the meantime, the Indent of each Treasury Officer can be complied with only to the extent

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This memorial to the Lieutenant Governor
Madras
From The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Dated 1st November 1873.
Read

Submitting for information
Copy of a Circular Memo to the
Treasury Officers and of a
Communication to the Director
General of the Post Office regards
a telegraph to England & expenditure
the despatch of 2 annas Envelopes
on the demand being greater.

Ordered that the Ld. Govt be
informed accordingly.
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2. There are 220 Reams of 1 Anna Envelopes in store.

Madras — — — — }
General Stamp Office }
22nd October 1873. — }

(Signed) V. Ramiengar
Superintt of Stamps

(True Copy)

V. Ramiengar
Superintendent of Stamps.

Gen. Stamps Dr. Ltr. dated 27-10-73

No 402 of 1873/74.

Madras, 27th October 1873.

Gen'l Stamp Office.

From,

The Superintendent of Stamps
Madras.

To,

The Director General of the
Post Offices in India.

Sir,

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2. I take the opportunity, at the same time, of annexing a Memo shewing the sales of ½ anna postage stamps during the last three months viz July, August, and September as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The result, as you will see, is a considerable falling off. The decrease would doubtless have been much more marked but for the small quantities in which

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× No Director General 18th July 1873 — No 1951.
to Superintendent of Stamps 28th " " — No 2390.
from 29th July 1873

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I have &c.
Signed/ V. Ramiengar
Supdt of Stamps.

/True Copy/

V. Ramiengar
Superintendent of Stamps.

J. O

Exd
H.W.

Statement shewing the sale of ½ Anna Postage labels during the 2d Quarter of 1873/74 as compared with the 2d Quarter of 1872/73.

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Chengleput Distt	38,984	40,218
Madras Distt	63,632	60,912
	202,232	365,664
Total	2374,511	2211050

Madras.
Genl Stamp Office
27th October 1873

Signed/ V. Ramiengar
Supdt of Stamps.

/True Copy/

V. Ramiengar
Superintendent of Stamps.

Exd
H.W.

Referred by H. M. Commissioner of Stamps for early action & the stamps required to be sent for from England immediately with a view of the Indent to which he refers in his Communication No. 392.

It is observed that the Indent alluded to by the Secretary of State for India should be sent by the Overland Mail of

Chief Secretary.

Ordered [illegible]

S.O. No. 1078 25/

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a supply equal to two years' consumption.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant.

Superintt of Stamps.

Ootacamund. 8 Nov. 1873. No. 1625.

Ordered that the following telegram be despatched to the Secretary of State.

"Please send Overland ~~600~~ 800 reams half anna ~~post envelopes~~ post envelopes ~~indented for~~ ~~Despatched 8th~~ 88 reams ~~posted by~~ Arcot, ~~and credit the Department~~.

Telegram sent 8/11.

Supdt. of Stamps. } charged 6/8
Postmaster Genl. }

Copy Telegram to Salem Office

From 1873. Department

No. 2062

From

The Superintendent of Stamps

To

The Chief Secretary to Government.

G.O. 8th Nov. 1873 No. 97-98

Dated 5th November 1873.

Rec'd 7th

Genl.

Returning the docket dated 1st Instant, papers to letter from this Office No. 1116 regarding his Indent dated 18th August, states that 250 reams of ½ Anna Envelopes will suffice to restore his stock and that the Secretary of State should be requested to cause the full quantity of ½ Anna Envelopes to be despatched as early as practicable.

Madras Office

Govt. of India. Madras.

Financial

To

The Supt. of Stamps

Madras.

Dated Nov 28

Rec'd. Rec'd.

G. O. No. 1873, No. 825

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Nos. ~~23-24~~.

30 Returned unused
Lasts with Counterfoils.

Portion of Sheet of State Paper
issued to Tel. & Land
Overland 600 Reams of
Half-Anna Embossed
Paper taped out of the
Sanctioned indented for
in Accts Book of the Stamps
Ship Depot in which