

(1) Number of pages 10.
(2) Date of repair 18.3.40.
(3) Initials of the Referencer _____

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Finance DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	<i>735</i>	Press ~~Mis.~~
<i>256-258.</i>		
Dated	<i>27-5-</i>	<i>18/3.</i>

5/6

Not to be folded or roughly handled

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 735.

FROM

THE HON. W. HUDLESTON,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Referring to your Officiating Under-Secretary's letter, dated the 13th instant, No. 1121-G., I am directed to state, for the information of His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council, that on the arrival, in 1816, of M. Le Comte Du Pay, under the commission of His Majesty Louis 18th, to assume the office of Governor-General of the restored French Settlements in India, orders were issued by the Government of the day to the Postmaster-General that "all letters to and from His Excellency and the other French functionaries in attendance on him may pass free of postage," and that the privilege appears to have continued uninterruptedly to the present time until the recent abrupt disallowance by the Post-Office Department.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

OOTACAMUND,
27th May 1873.

*Acting Under Secretary,
for Chief Secretary.*

1873.
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

To
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George,
The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Foreign Department.

Dated 27th May 1873.

Recd.

No. 735.

Enclosure

Reporting the circumstances under which the
privilege of French correspondence in respect
French Settlements was originally granted to the
Governor of Pondicherry and the Chief of Service.

Recd. 27/5.
Chapman & Co. sent 28/5

Financial Department.

No. 735P

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,

Foreign Department.

Sir,

Referring to your
Offg. Under Secretary's
letter dated the 13th
instant, N^o 1121 G. I
am directed to state for
the information of His
Excellency the Viceroy
and Governor General in
Council, that on the ar-
rival in 1816 of M. de
Comte Du Roy under the
commission of M. M.
Louis 18th, to assume
the office of Governor
General

General of the restored
French Settlements
in Lusia., orders were
issued by the Govt. of
the day to the Post
Master General, that
"all letters to and from
His Excellency and the
other French function-
aries in attendance on
him, may pass free of
postage", and that the
privilege appears to have
continued uninterrupted
to the present time until
the recent abrupt dis-
allowance by the Post
Office Department.

27

Ostacumund
27th May 1873

12. 1873
2. 1873

Memo.

The correspondence
passed about the time of
the Treaties of 1814 & 1815
has been carefully looked
into. Nothing can be
traced as to the reason
for conceding to the Por-
tuguese authorities the
privilege of franking.
The letter of 14 November 1816,
herewith submitted, shows
that shortly after the
arrival at Pondicherry of
the first French Governor
General, the Postmaster General
was instructed by the Madras
Govt. to pass free of postage all
letters to & from His Excellency.

MS. 23/5

18

Department

No.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of
Department.

Dated

187 .

1873.
Foreign DEPARTMENT

To The Chief Secretary to Government,
Port of Saint George,

To The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Foreign Department.

May 27 1873.

No. 735.
Enclosure.

Nos. 256. 258

~~The following~~ the circumstances
under which the privilege of
Franking Correspondence
between French Settlements
and to was originally
conceded to the Govt. for
Pondicherry & the Cae to
be Service.