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The sanction accorded by Notification to the levy of municipal taxes in the year 1873-74 is hereby extended until further orders.

2. The practice of issuing annual Notifications for this purpose will be discontinued and the matter of taxation dealt with in future in reviewing the budget proposals, or at the time of any special reference being made on the subject.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To all Presidents of Municipal Commissions.

Exd. J. Wright.

Financial Department

Memorandum.

On the 26th instant a memorandum was circulated pointing out the necessity for immediate issue of notifications authorising the levy of Municipal taxes as the sanction already notified lapses on the evening of the 31st.

The memorandum has not yet returned from circulation and as the draft reviews recently returned from circulation show that it would be somewhat premature now to notify the taxes to be levied in each individual Municipality it is suggested that the following general notification

Notification may be published.

"Under the provisions of section 38 Act III of 1871 (the Towns Improvement Act) the Governor in Council authorizes the Municipal Commissioners of the various Towns in the Presidency to levy the following rates and taxes subject to the restrictions contained in the orders of Govt. reviewing the budgets under the provisions of section 33 of the said Act.

A rate on houses buildings and lands according to the annual value thereof.

A tax upon Arts Professions trades and callings.

Tolls on carriages carts and animals entering the Municipal limits.

Taxes on carriages

horses and other animals as described in Schedule C. to the above Act annexed.

Fees on the Registration of Carts."

It is also submitted that though it has been usual hitherto to intimate the approval of Government to the levy of Municipal taxes by means of a Notification it is nowhere required by law and it would probably answer all purposes if the following orders were merely passed in Council on the 31st instant.

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To Clerk Presidents & Comm[rs] 28 Dec 12/0

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Govt. of {1874} Madras.

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To

Dt. Pres.t to J.

Municipalities

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Mun.l Taxation. The sanctn. accorded by Govt. to the levy of Mun.l taxes in 1873-74, extended until further orders; & the practice of issuing annual Govt.s for this purpose ordd to be discontinued.