Government of Madras

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT

G.O. No. 690, 3rd October 1918

Holiday & Thanksgiving Service

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READ—the following paper:—

Telegram—from the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.
To—the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.
Dated—Simla, the 2nd October 1918.
No.—1578, Public.

His Excellency the Viceroy desires that the cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and the recent successes on the various battle fronts should be made the occasion of public celebrations. Monday the 7th instant will be observed as a public holiday throughout British India. Please take necessary steps to notify holiday under Negotiable Instruments Act and arrange other suitable methods of celebration.

Order—No. 690, Home (Miscellaneous), dated 3rd October 1918.

Recorded.

2. The following notification will be published in an extraordinary issue of the *Fort St. George Gazette*:—

Notification.

Under the explanation to section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (Act XXVI of 1881), the Governor in Council hereby declares that Monday, the 7th October 1918, shall be a public holiday on account of the cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and the recent successes on the various battle fronts.

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Telegram.

475. Monday 7th instant notified public holiday under Negotiable Instruments Act on account of cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and successes on battle fronts. [Please arrange suitable methods of celebration, including, wherever practicable, thanksgiving services.] [ ] To Collectors only.

4. The Provincial Publicity Board is also requested to take adequate steps to celebrate the occasion.

(True extract)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

To all heads of departments under the Home Department including Collectors and District Judges.
,, the Revenue (Special) Department.
,, the Public (Ecclesiastical) Department.
,, all other departments of the Secretariat.
,, the Postmaster-General.
,, the Board of Revenue (all departments).
,, the Chairman, Chamber of Commerce, Madras.
,, the President, South Indian Chamber of Commerce, Madras.
,, the Chairman, Madras Trades' Association.
,, the Superintendent, Government Press, Madras.

N. P.

Government of Madras

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT

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G.O. No. 691, 5th October 1918

Thanksgiving services on the 7th October 1918

Stating that a thanksgiving service will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund, on the 7th October 1918, in connection with the cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and successes on various battle fronts.

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,, the Chaplain, St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund.
,, the Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund.
,, the Sub-Registrar, Ootacamund.
,, the Editor, *South of India Observer*.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 690, HOME (MISCELLANEOUS), DATED 3RD OCTOBER 1918.

[SUBJECT.—*Regarding holiday on Monday the 7th instant on account of cessation of hostilities with Bulgaria and recent successes.*]

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.

Telegram from the Government of India.

Draft order for approval.

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C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—2-10-18.

Issue and thereafter submit to the Honourable Member for perusal and orders.

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3. The Honourable Member's orders are requested as to whether special services should be held; if so, Ecclesiastical will be moved.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—2-10-18.

Gazette extraordinary and telegrams issued.

A.V.S.—3-10-18.

REVENUE (SPECIAL) DEPARTMENT.

Accepted.

A. R. KNAPP—3-10-18.

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.

May be circulated to the Honourable Member for orders.

C.R.—3-10-18.

R.R—3-10-18.

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P. DER.—3-10-18.

C.R.—3-10-18.

PUBLIC (ECCLESIASTICAL) DEPARTMENT.

Paragraph 6 of draft order may be accepted.

T.A.S.—3-10-18.

No. Paragraphs 5 and 6 must await details as to service.

Please telegraph to the Bishop and follow up by a demi-official confirming—

No. 957. In connexion with public holiday notified for 7th October on account of armistice with Bulgaria and allied successes in other spheres Governor in Council desires that thanksgiving services should be held wherever practicable. [Will you kindly issue the necessary instructions.]

Copy to Presidency Senior Chaplain, with this instead of [ ] "Please arrange accordingly."

L. DAVIDSON—3-10-18.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Mr. L. DAVIDSON, C.S.I., I.C.S., Chief Secretary to Government.
To—the Rev. H. C. LOASBY, Chaplain, St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund.
Dated—Ootacamund, the 3rd October 1918.

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HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.

Omit paragraphs 5 and 6; and issue with the Chief Secretary's addition.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—3-10-18.

Copy of draft taken and given to the Press for printing.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—3-10-18.

[G.O. No. 690, Home (Miscellaneous), dated 3rd October 1918.]

Telephonic message—from the Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.
To—the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.
Dated—3rd October 1918.

The Hon'ble Mr. Gillman has noted that thanksgiving services should be arranged for on Monday the 7th instant and that His Excellency has agreed to the suggestion. Arrangements are accordingly being made to hold a thanksgiving service at the St. Stephen's Church on that day. Would you kindly ascertain and let me know what hour His Excellency desires should be fixed for the service? The reply message may be delivered at the Chief Secretariat office if it can be before 8-30 p.m. to-night.

Telephonic message—from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.
To—the Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.
Dated—the 3rd October 1918.

In reply to your telephone message about the hour for the thanksgiving service on the 7th instant, His Excellency desires that 11 a.m should be fixed for the service.

[A copy of the above message has been sent to the Rev. Loasby, Chaplain St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund.]

A draft order stating that a thanksgiving service will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund, on Monday the 7th October at 11 a.m. is submitted for approval.

A.V.S.—4-10-18.

P.DBR.—4-10-18.

Please see the portion marked **B** on page 1 supra. In order that notice of the function may reach the non-official public also, paragraph 2 of the draft has been put in, subject to approval.

The draft may be submitted to the Chief Secretary also.

C.R.—4-10-18.
R.R.—4-10-18.

PUBLIC (ECCLESIASTICAL) DEPARTMENT.

Perhaps the Chaplain may be asked to reserve seats as for the 4th August function.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—4-10-18.

I think this may be left to Mr. Loasby's discretion but he might be furnished with a list of officers as on the 4th August. Under Secretary, Public, can draw this up to-morrow morning.

L. DAVIDSON—4-10-18.

Office might make a complete list giving all names arranged in order of precedence Mr. P. L. Moore, Major Hingston, I.M.S., and Major Justice, I.M.S., should be added.

D. N. STRATHIE—5-10-18.

Demi-official—from the Rev. H. C. LOASBY, Chaplain, St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund.
To—the Hon'ble Mr. L. DAVIDSON, C.S.I., I.C.S., Chief Secretary to Government.
Dated—the 4th October 1918.

Thank you for the continuation note just received. I observe that 11 is the hour for the service on Monday next. I have wired to the Bishop, but have received no answer as to the form of the service. I hope to get some information to-day. In the meantime will you please inform me whether the service is of the usual 'official' nature; and if so, will you kindly supply me with a list of officers of Government for whom seats should be reserved.

Yes.
L.D.,—4-10-18.

I am writing to Captain Money for a similar list of military officers.

Home u.o.

L.D.—4-10-18.

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.

The following demi-official to Mr. Loasby is submitted.

P.DBR.—5-10-18.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—5-10-18.
R.R.—5-10-18.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur R. RAMACHANDRA RAO Avargal, Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.
To—Rev. H. C. LOASBY, Chaplain, St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund.
Dated—the 5th October 1914.
No.—2724-2.

With reference to your demi-official to Mr. Davidson of yesterday I am to inform you that the thanksgiving service on Monday the 7th instant at St. Stephen's Church should be of the usual 'official nature.' I enclose herewith a list of civil officers of Government to whom seats should be reserved.

ENCLOSURE

List of civil officers.

The Hon'ble Sir Alexander Cardew, K.C.S.I.
" Mr. H. F. W. Gillman, C.S.I.
" Mr. L. Davidson, C.S.I.
" Mr. L. E. Buckley, C.S.I.
" Mr. A. R. Knapp.
" Diwan Bahadur R. Ramachandra Rao Avargal.
" Mr. S. B. Murray.
" Mr. W. J. J. Howley.
Mr. M. Young.
" A. R. Cumming.
" P. L. Moore, C.I.E.
Lieut.-Col. C. H. Leet-Palk, I.M.S.
Mr. F. J. Richards.
" T. E. Moir, C.I.E.
Major W. A Justice, I.M.S.
Mr. J. Monteith.
Major R. D. Willcocks, I.M.S.
" C. A. F. Hingston, I.M.S.
Rev. H. C. Loasby.
Mr. R. D. Richmond.
" A. Wilson.
" F. Sayers.
" P. C. Lobo.
" D. D. Thomas.

Secrt. II–10 (b)—12-1-16. Home (Mis.) DEPARTMENT

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HOLIDAYS.

Directing the publication in an extraordinary issue of the Fort St. George Gazette of a notification declaring ~~Monday~~ the 7th October 18 shall be a public holiday on account of the Cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and recent successes on various battle fronts.

READ AGAIN G.O. No. ....., dated ..... 191 .

" " " " ....., " ..... 191 .

READ ALSO:–

C. N. Telegram, From the Govt. of India, Home Dept., No. 1578, dated 2-10-18. 191 .

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ORDER. No. 690, dated 3.10 1918.

Press.

Recorded.

2. The following notification will be published in an extraordinary issue of the Fort St. George Gazette :-

NOTIFICATION.

Under the explanation to section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (Act XXVI of 1881), the Governor in Council hereby declares that Monday the 7th October 1918, shall be a public holiday on account of the cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and the recent successes on the various battle fronts.

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Telegram

All Collectors.
Board of Revenue, Madras
Bank of Madras, Madras
Chamber of Commerce, Madras
South Indian Chamber of Commerce, Madras
Madras Trades Association
P. M. G.

475 Monday 7th instant notified public holiday under Negotiable Instruments Act on account of cessation [of] hostilities between [the] Allies and Bulgaria and successes on battle fronts. [Please ~~arrange~~] arrange suitable methods of celebration.; ~~celebration~~ wherever practicable, thanksgiving services

Avr 2-10-18 — 4.10.18

Park 2-10-18

4 3. The Provincial Publicity Board is also requested to take adequate steps to celebrate the occasion

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J. to be telephoned to the Collector, Nilgiris

Wesp 3/X/18.

to be telegraphed only to Collectors.

To all heads of depts. under Home Dept. (including Collectors and District Judges)
To all Depts. of the Sectt.
To the Postmaster-General.
To the Board of Rev. (all depts.)
To the Chairman, Chamber of Commerce, Madras.
To the Supdt. Govt. Press. Madras.

[Secretary to Branch Press should arrange to have the Gazette Extraordinary issued from ooty camp.]

The President, South Indian Chamber of Commerce.
- Chairman, Madras Trades Association.
~~Chaplain, St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund~~
Eccl Dept
Bishop Madras
Principal Chaplain Church Salem

Scott. II-10 (b)—1,603—21-1-18. Home (Misc.) DEPARTMENT.

Thanksgiving services on the 7th October 1918.

Stating that a thanksgiving service will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund, on the 7th October 1918 in connection with the cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and successes on various battle fronts.

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READ AGAIN G.O. No. 630, dated 3-10- 1918.
" " " " , " 191 .

READ ALSO:—

C. , From the , No. , dated 191 .
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ORDER. No. 671, dated 5-10- 1918.

Press.

Press
Please put this in Fort St. George Gazette Extraordinary today
by 3 p.m.
Park 5/10/18

A thanksgiving service will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Cotacamund, on Monday, the 7th October 1918, at 11 A.M. in connection with the cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and the recent successes on the various battle fronts.

Officers of His Majesty's Services are invited to attend.

Morning dress will be worn by Civil officers.

2. The Collector of the Nilgiris, is requested to give wide publicity to the above function.

R.R.R.
4-10-18.

To all Depts. of the Sectt.
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,, ,, Sub Judge, Cotacamund.
,, ,, Dist. Supdt. of Police.
,, ,, Director, Govt. Cinchona Plantations.
,, ,, Sub Registrar, Cotacamund.
,, ,, District Forest Officer, Cotacamund.
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,, ,, Civil Surgeon, Cotacamund.
,, ,, Editor, South of India Observer.

Sectt. II-10 (b)—1,603—21-1-18. Home (Misc.) DEPARTMENT.

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ORDER. No. 691, dated 5. 10. 1918.

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To
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,, Dist: Supdt. of Police.
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,, Editor, South of India Observer.

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Telegram

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To

All Collectors.

Except Coll[s]. Nilgris

Sgnd
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3/11/18
9 p.m.

4) 8x Add following words to my telegram 475-[of]today regarding public holiday on [the] Seventh instant. Stop. Including wherever practicable Thanksgiving Services.

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Shown to Lt. CR 3.10.18

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For orders

5. A thanks-giving service will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund, on Monday, the 7th October 1918, at i
All Officers of His Majesty's services are ~~xxx~~ invited to attend. Morning dress will be worn by Civil officers.

6. The Bishop of Madras and the Presidency Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland, are requested to arrange for holding similar thanks-giving services at Madras and other important places.

A.V.S.
3-10-18.

P.deR.
3-10-18.

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C. 000 24 POSTS TELEGRAPHS.

NOTICE.
This form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.

Charges to pay.
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2 OCT. 18

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TO Clear Line

Recd. here at 18 H. — M.

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Clear Line 1578/Public His Excellency the Viceroy desires that the Cessation of hostilities between the Allies and Bulgaria and the recent successes on the various battle fronts should be made the occasion of Public Celebrations. Monday the 7th inst will be observed as a public holiday throughout British India Please take necessary steps to notify holiday under Negotiable Instruments Act and arrange other suitable methods of celebration = Home =

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A draft order stating that a thanksgiving service will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund, on Monday the 7th October at 11 a.m. is submitted for approval.

A.V.S.—4-10-18.

P.DBR.—4-10-18.

Please see the portion marked **B** on page 2 supra. In order that ~~the~~ notice of function may reach the non-official public also, paragraph 2 of the draft has been put in, subject to approval.

The draft may be submitted to the Chief Secretary also.

C.R.—4-10-18.

R.R.—4-10-18.

PUBLIC (ECCLESIASTICAL) DEPARTMENT.

Perhaps the Chaplain may be asked to reserve seats as ~~before~~ for the 4th August function.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—4-10-18.

I think this may be left to Mr. Loasby's discretion but he might be furnished with a list of officers as on the 4th August. Under Secretary, Public, can draw this up to-morrow morning.

L. DAVIDSON—4-10-18.

Office might make a complete list giving all names arranged in order of precedence Mr. P. L. Moore, Major Hingston, I.M.S., and Major Justice, I.M.S., should be added.

D. N. STRATHIE—5-10-18.

Demi-official—from the Rev. H. C. LOASBY, Chaplain, St. Stephen's Church, Ootacamund.

To—the Hon'ble Mr. L. DAVIDSON, C.S.I., I.C.S., Chief Secretary to Government.

Dated—the 4th October 1918.

Thank you for ~~your~~ continuation note just received. I observe that 11 is the hour for the service on Monday next. I have wired to the Bishop, but have received no answer as to the form of the service. I hope to get some information to-day. In the meantime will you please inform me whether the service is of the usual 'official' nature; and if so, will you kindly supply me with a list of officers of Government for whom seats should be reserved.

Yes.
L.D.—4-10-18.

I am writing to Captain Money for a similar list of military officers.

Home u.o.

L.D.—4-10-18.

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.

The following demi-official to Mr. Loasby is submitted.

P.DER.—5-10-18. C.R.—5-10-18.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—5-10-18.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Diwan Bahadur R. RAMACHANDRA RAO Avargal, Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.

To—Rev. H. C. LOASBY, Chaplain, St. Stephen's Church.

Dated—the 5th October 1914.

No.—2724-2.

With reference to your demi-official to Mr. Davidson of yesterday I am to inform you that the thanksgiving service on Monday the 7th instant at St. Stephen's Church should be of the usual 'official nature.' I enclose herewith a list of civil officers of Government to whom seats should be reserved.

ENCLOSURE:

List of civil officers.

The Hon'ble Sir Alexander Cardew, K.C.S.I.
" Mr. H. F. W. Gillman, C.S.I.
" Mr. L. Davidson, C.S.I.
" Mr. L. E. Buckley, C.S.I.
" Mr. A. R. Knapp.
" Diwan Bahadur R. Ramachandra Rao Avargal.
" Mr. S. B. Murray.
" Mr. W. J. J. Howley.
Mr. M. Young.
" A. R. Cumming.
" P. L. Moore, C.I.E.
Lieut.-Col. C. H. Leet-Palk, I.M.S.
Mr. F. J. Richards.
" T. E. Moir, C.I.E.
Major W. A Justice, I.M.S.
Mr. J. Monteith.
Major R. D. Willcocks, I.M.S.
" C. A. F. Hingston, I.M.S.
Rev. H. C. Loasby.
Mr. R. D. Richmond.
" A. Wilson.
" F. Sayers.
" P. C. Lobo.
" D. D. Thomas.

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