

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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15th November 1864.

No. 122. Read the following letter from P. GRANT, Esq., Magistrate of Coimbatore; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Coimbatore, 24th October 1864, No. 89.

In reply to Proceedings of Government, Judicial Department, and their Order thereon, dated 10th September 1864, No. 1351, I beg to transmit, for the final sanction of Government, a copy of the revised Municipal Rules, in which the different suggestions made by Government have been embodied, and approved at a General Meeting of the Committee held on the 22nd instant.

Rules for the Municipality of the Town of Coimbatore.

The Commissioners having, under Section 6 Act XXVI of 1850, drawn up the following rules, and the same having been approved by Government in Order No. , of the day are now in force, and shall be quoted under the title of "Rules of the Municipality of Coimbatore."

1. No rule shall be in any way altered or added to, or be rescinded, and no new rule shall be added, unless by the consent of the majority present at a meeting of not less than seven of the Commissioners, such meeting to be called and known as a "General Meeting."

2. The ordinary work of the Municipality shall be performed by a meeting of not less than three Commissioners, such meeting to be called and known as an "Ordinary Meeting."

3. The Commissioners shall appoint, from among themselves, at a General Meeting, a Secretary.

4. Ordinary Meetings of the Commissioners shall be held on the first Saturday of every month.

5. The Secretary may convene an Ordinary Meeting, giving not less than three days' notice to each Commissioner.

6. If a special General Meeting be necessary, a notice shall be left at the ordinary residence of each Commissioner, not later than one week before the day of meeting, and shall contain, briefly stated, the subjects to be brought forward at such meeting, and it shall not be lawful to bring forward at such meeting any subjects, for the settlement of which a General Meeting only is competent, unless the notice abovesaid, that such subjects are to be brought forward, shall have been given.

7. Any three Members may call a General Meeting.

8. All orders of an Ordinary Meeting may be over-ruled by a General Meeting.

9. An Ordinary Meeting shall be competent to appoint all officers and servants, and to dismiss all under the rank of writer; but all grave cases of misconduct on the part of writers shall be dealt with by a General Meeting.

10. Two writers shall be employed, whose salaries shall be respectively Rupees 35, and Rupees 20; also two peons, each receiving Rupees 7 monthly, and maintaining Rupees 6.

11. The valuations contained in the Schedule, Appendix A annexed, shall be adopted as the basis on which to estimate the sum to be raised the first year, and Rupees 7000 shall be the sum to be raised.

12. All necessary funds shall be raised by a house rate.

13. The rate shall be levied on the superficial area of each house.

14. All the land actually appertaining to the house shall be considered for the purpose of the rate to be the house, such land only except from that actually built upon being excluded as payable rent to Government.

15. Upper houses shall be charged on the area of the upper story, in addition to the area of the lower story.

16. Shops, Godowns, and all buildings of whatever description, shall be considered to be houses, for the purpose of the rate, with the exception of public offices, and public institutions.

17. The Commissioners shall ascertain the actual area of house property payable, and shall then divide the whole sum to be raised, viz., Rupees 7000, over the whole area, adopting such unit of area as they may think fit.

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18. The Commissioners shall serve upon each householder liable to the rate, during the 1st quarter, a notice, giving to his house or property a number, and stating the amount of assessment leviable on his house.

19. If a house be refused to any house for the purpose of management, it shall be lawful for the Commissioners to estimate the area of such house, and such area shall be considered as the area of such house.

20. The assessment shall be levied quarterly, and the bill for any quarter shall be made out in the name of the person actually living in the house at the end of the preceding quarter.

21. The assessment for any quarter shall be considered to be due on the first day of the quarter.

22. If a house be unoccupied during a whole quarter it shall be exempt, but if the house have been one day occupied it shall be charged.

23. If the rate be not recoverable from the tenant, the owner of the house, if he be not the tenant, shall be ultimately responsible for the payment of the rate.

24. All rules relative to the assessment of houses shall apply to all houses, either Native or European.

25. The writers shall give security each of 500 Rupees, and the persons shall give security each of Rupees 100, the security to be approved by an Ordinary Meeting.

26. The writers shall have charge of the Cash chest, which shall be secured by two different locks, each writer having the key of one lock.

27. No writer shall, on any account, retake in his possession monies collected by him on any day until the next day; all money collected shall be deposited the same day in the Cash chest.

28. The Cash chest shall be kept in the Taluk Treasury with the permission of Government.

29. Any Commissioner shall have the power of impounding the Cash chest and accounts.

30. The accounts shall be audited at every monthly Ordinary Meeting, and be signed by all the Members present, and an abstract of the same shall be published in the District Gazette.

31. All house-holders shall be bound either to allow the surveyors access to the place where the door of their houses is deposited, or to bring out the door to some place to which the surveyors have access.

32. No one person of any kind shall be allowed either in the back-paths or any other part of a house.

33. A breach of either of the above Rules 31 and 32 shall render the offender liable to a fine of Rupees 50, and to an additional fine of Rupees 5 for each day on which, after warning duly given, the offence may be continued.

34. Fines levied under Rule 33 shall be paid to the Commissioners.

35. The Commissioners shall be empowered to impound all places in which offensive matters may be kept, or in which putrescent substances are deposited or stored, and to order the destruction or removal of the matter on the certificate of the Medical Officer, that the keeping or storing in such place is objectionable. This order may be given by any Ordinary Meeting.

(Signed) P. GRANT, Magistrate.

APPENDIX A.
SCHEDULE I.
Estimate of cost of Plant, &c.

100 Cows, at Rupees 60.....	6000
Manure, 1000 bags, at.....	100
Lamps 10, at Rupees 21.....	210
10 pairs of Bullocks.....	1000
Sticks for cattle, and accommodation for cattle.....	100
	8210
Add 10 per cent.....	821
	9031

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SCHEDULE II.

<i>Estimate of monthly cost.</i>	<i>Rs.</i>
100 Cows, at Rupees 4.....	400
100 Cows, at.....	120
10 Pairs of Bullocks, at Rupees 7.....	70
2 Writers, at 50 and 30.....	65
2 Peons, at 7 Rupees.....	14
1 Peon, at 6 Rupees.....	6
Oil, at 1 Rupee per night, for 15 nights.....	15
2 Hauls, at Rupees 4.....	8
	638
Monthly.....	12
Yearly.....	4,056
10 per cent. add for Contingencies.....	405
Add cost of plant, Schedule I.....	2,514
	6,975

(Signed) P. GRANT,
Magistrate.

No. 133. ORDER THEREON, 15th November 1864, No. 1637.

With his letter the Magistrate of Coimbatore submits the Rules for the Municipal Commissioners of the Town of Coimbatore revised, as directed by Government in their Order, No. 1351 of the 10th September.

RULE 25, as amended by Government.
It shall be lawful for the Commissioners, by themselves or their Officers, to enter during the day time, for the purpose of inspection, any place in which they or their Officers may have reasonable grounds for suspecting offensive matters to be kept, or in which putrescent substances are deposited or stored, and to order the destruction or removal of the matter on the certificate of the Medical Officer, that the keeping or storing in such place is objectionable and prejudicial to health. The officers of the Commissioners shall exercise this power, unless directed to do so by an ordinary meeting of the Commissioners. An ordinary meeting shall exercise the power vested in the Commissioners by this Rule. Any person obstructing the Commissioners or their Officers, when executing the power given by this Rule, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Rupees 50, and to imprisonment not exceeding Rupees 5 for every day during which such obstruction shall continue.

Magistrate's officers, and the office of the Commissioners.
(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Magistrate of Coimbatore.

Ed. J. Talbot.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter
from the Magistrate of
Coimbatore.

(See letter 24th Decr 1864-1869)

Order thereon 15th November 1864 No 1634

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With his letter the
Magistrate of Coimbatore
submits the rules for the
Municipal Commissioning
the Town of Coimbatore re-
vised as directed by govern-
ment in their order No 1331
of the 10th September.

The Government have
altered Rule 35 which was
defective in two points, 1st
as providing only for in-
spection by the Commissioner
and

Commissioners. An ordinary
meeting shall exercise the
power vested in the Commission
by this rule. Any person
obstructing the Commissioners
or their officers when exercising
the powers given by this rule
shall be liable to a penalty
not exceeding \$50, and to a
penalty not exceeding \$5
for every day during which
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Dated 15th April 1902

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