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No. 2335, JUDICIAL, 15TH NOVEMBER 1895.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, the 7th October 1895, No. 19-Public—1588.

A case has recently been brought to the notice of the Government of India in which a soldier of the Native Army, employed under a Civil department, purchased a rifle in British India and obtained from the officer of the department under whom he was serving an informal pass or permit with the object of smuggling the rifle across the North-Western Frontier.

2. The Government of India think it desirable, with a view to prevent the occurrence of such cases, to draw attention to the rules which regulate the grant of passes to the soldiers of the Native Army. Paragraphs 1527-29 of Volume II of Army Regulations, India, permit a Commanding Officer to give passes to soldiers proceeding on furlough from a regiment. But no other authority is empowered to grant a pass to a native soldier any more than to any other person, and a native soldier serving away from his regiment can only obtain authority to possess a gun or rifle by applying to the Magistrate for a license under the Arms Act in Form IX. In my letter, No. 1938-46, dated the 28th November 1894, the Government of India requested Local Governments and Administrations to impress upon Magistrates of districts that licenses in Form IX must be very sparingly given to cover rifles. The Governor-General in Council will now be obliged if such instructions as His Excellency the Governor in Council may think necessary are issued with the object of making it plain to heads of departments that they and the officers serving under them have no authority to grant permits or passes to their subordinates to carry arms not required by them for the execution of their duty and referred to as such in the exemptions granted under Rule I of the rules issued under the Arms Act.

ORDER—No. 2335, Judicial, dated 15th November 1895.

Communicated to the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Madras, all District Magistrates, the Inspector-General of Police and the Commissioner of Police, Madras.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces.
 „ all District Magistrates.
 „ the Inspector-General of Police.
 „ the Commissioner of Police, Madras.
 Copy to the Revenue Department.

Exd, A. Raiff.

Gobt. of {1895} Madras.

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NOVEMBER.

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Govt of India
Home Dept

No 19 Pub
1888

Dated 7th
Recd 14th
Recd 15th } October 1895

7 sc.

Subject.

Re the grant of passes
to soldiers to possess
a gun or rifle.

11/11/95
W.S.

4758 21.9.5 ayl + sc.
2664 8 2.11.94 ayl.

Order No 2335 d/15 Nov 95
P.S.

Communicated to the Lt. General
Commanding the Forces, Madras, all Dns,
the Sg. of Police + the Comr. of Police,
Madras.

NR
8.11.95

W.S.

14/11/95

To
The Lt. Genl. Comd. the Forces.
All Dns 173
The Sg. of Police
Comr. of Police, Madras.
Copy to the Rev. Dept.

(W.S.)

No. 19 Feb
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FROM

J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E.,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

The Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Madras

CHIEF SECRETARY
14 OCT. 1895
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Public.

Simla, the 7 October 1895.

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I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. P. Hewett

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

Inde p. 2335 d/15 Nov 1895

Dated
23/11/95

The Collectors of
The District Magistrates of

Anantapur. 8
North Arcot, Chittoor. 8
South Arcot, Cuddalore. 8
Bellary. 8
South Canara, Mangalore. 8
Chingleput, Saidapet. 8
Coimbatore. 8
Cuddapah. 8
Ganjam, Chatrapur. 8
Godavari, Cocanada. 8
Kistna, Masulipatam. 8
Kurnool.
Madras (when necessary). 8
Madura. 12
Malabar, Calicut. 8
Nilgiris, Ootacamund. 8
Nellore. 8
Salem. 9
Tanjore. 8
Tinnevelly. 8
Trichinopoly. 8
Vizagapatam. 8

