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# Local & Munl. (1895) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 1890 M

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No. 1890 M., 15TH NOVEMBER 1895.

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Enclosures.

*Letter*—from R. N. H. Reid, Esq., Assistant Engineer, Southern Sub-Division.
*To*—the Chairman, Municipal Council, Masulipatam.
*Dated*—Masulipatam, the 21st March 1895.
*No.*—3380.

[*Reference.*—Your No. 789, dated 27th February 1895.]

I have the honour to forward herewith a statement showing the quantity of Kistna water supplied to the town of Masulipatam during the year 1894–95 :—

Statement showing the quantity of good water-supply to the town of Masulipatam during the year 1894–95.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| June | 1894 | 2,214,051·84 | 13,793,542·96 | From 15th to 31st. |
| July | ,, | 4,949,683·20 | 30,836,526·33 | |
| August | ,, | 4,737,553·92 | 29,514,960·92 | |
| September | ,, | 4,744,396·80 | 29,557,592·06 | |
| October | ,, | 4,878,973·44 | 30,396,004·53 | |
| November | ,, | 4,584,729·60 | 28,562,865·40 | |
| December | ,, | 4,902,543·36 | 30,542,845·13 | |
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*Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council, Masulipatam, dated 11th May* 1895.

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(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
*Chief Secretary.*

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Masulipatam,
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" Public Works Department.

~~Forwarded to the~~

~~(By Order.)~~

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DATED 5. 10. 94

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Masulipatam,
Municipal Office,
28th August 1895.

No 355

From.
J. W. Maiden Esqre.,
Chairman, Municipal
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Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No 1397

To
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13976/5094 Noted.

I have the honour to be
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E. Duraiswamy
Chairman

Local & Municipal Dept.

CURRENT No. 918

From

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Chairman, Municipal Council, Masulipatam.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government

Local and Municipal Department.

Madras.

Through the Collector.

Kistna.

Dated 28th August 1895

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Reporting on the levy in the Masulipatam Municipality in addition to Receipts 1364 now being paid.

Report for 1894-95
1397 dt 5-10-94
1218 dt 27-7-1895
546 dt 21-3-1895 RECEIVED
1356 dt 1-10-94
727 dt 8-8-1894
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MASULIPATAM

1355 dt 6-10-93
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6039 2-8-92
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Kistna Collectorate Masulipatam 8th September 1895.

H. Thomson 9/9

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Proceedings of the Municipal Council Masulipatam passed at a meeting held on Saturday the 11th of May 1895.

Present.

Officials.

1. M. R. Ry. T. V. Narasimaswami Naidu Avergal Treasury Deputy Collector.
2. Surgeon Major W. H. Thomas District Medical and Sanitary Officer Kistna.

Non-Officials.

3. J. W. Maiden Esqre. Chairman M.C. & M. R. Ry.
4. Varilala Venkata Sivanandhandu Garu B.A.
5. M. R. Ry. K. Lakshminarasinga Garu.
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/Signed/ J. W. Maiden
Chairman
M.C.

/True Extract/

W. Wm Rao
Chairman
M.C.

EB 14/5/95

C.S.

Order. No 1090 Min 15

Under the circumstances stated by the chairman the Council will not be required to grant any annual charge for water supplied further than accepting the sum of Rs 1364 already now being paid at present as interest on the cost of the present works.

(From orders)

Wd 12/11/95 EB 13/11/95

To
The Chairman mc Masulipatam / 5 to
" thro' the Collector of Kistna
" P. Works Deptt / 2 to

Dup. 16/11/95

Payment for prospecting water supplied to the Mahulikalan municipality

From

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|---|---|---|---|
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R. H. Rick
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Assistant Engineer

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Station Masulipatam 13

No. 3380

Dated 21/22 March 98.

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From

R. N. N. Reid Esquire,
Asst
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Sub
Gudivada Division,
GUDIVADA

To

The Chairman, Municipal
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Enclosures:—No.

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V. Raghava Charlu—23–10–95.

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H W. B[liss].

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W. Francis—25–10–95.

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