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Local & Munl. (1895) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 2023m

DATED 2nd December 1895.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Petition.

Informing V.C.Sriraman Chettiyar, Municipal Councillor, Madura, that Government sees no reason to interfere in the decision of the Collector on his complaint against the Manager, Madura Municipal Council.

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G.O., DATED 2-12-95

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Petition

informing V.C. Srirangam

Chairman, Mun. Comr. : Madura

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the Collector, on the ~~the~~ Chairman

Complaint against the Manager

Madura, Mun: Council.

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Local and Municipal Department.

Local & Municipal Dept.
Current No. 3577/95

Cur. Nos 3447 & 3577/95

From

M.R.Ry.V.C.Sriraman Chettiyar,
Municipal Councillor,
Madura.

Ed. Misc. Order No. 2023 Mms. 2-12-95

The Govt. see no reason to interfere in this matter

V.R. 25/11/95

W.D. 27/11/95 2.12.95

No.

Dated 13-11-95

Received 18-11-95

Enclosures /

SUBJECT

Stating that the Collector of Madura declines to interfere in the matter of his complaint against the manager Madura Municipal Council & requesting Govt. to take the necessary action.

M.R.Ry
V.C. Sriraman Chettiyar Avargal
Municipal Councillor Madura
DO

Dis W. 4/12/95

(with order) 27/11/95

Disposal No 3983/1895. 6.11.95

Endorsement on petition dated 30-10-95, from V.C. Sriraman Chettiar, Municipal Councillor, Madura.

Despatched 16th November '95

The petitioner should follow the course mentioned in the beginning of para 6 of his letter. There is no occasion for the undersigned to interfere.

(Signed) C. Subramania Aiyar.
For Ag: Collector.

(True Copy)
(Signed) V.C. Sriramana Chetty,
Municipal Councillor.

Disposal No. 3983/1895.
6.11.95

Despatched
10th November '95

Endorsement on petition dated 30-10-95, from V.C. Sriraman Chettiar, Municipal Councillor, Madura.

The petitioner should follow the course mentioned in the beginning of para 6 of his letter. There is no occasion for the undersigned to interfere.

(Signed) C. Subramania Aiyar.
For Ag: Collector.

(True copy)
(Signed) V.C. Sriramana Chetty,
Municipal Councillor.

Madura.
13th November 1895.

From

V.C. Sriraman Chettiar.
Municipal Councillor.
Madura.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

Con. 3493 dt 1895 — Adverting to my letter, dated the 30th ultimo, I beg to submit herewith, for the information of Government, copy of endorsement passed by the Collector of Madura on my letter to him Complaining against the Municipal Manager, Copy of which has been submitted to Government with my last letter referred to above.

2. I beg to repeat that, as faction reigns in the Council and the Manager is patronized by the Chairman and his factions majority, I am afraid that my Complaint will not be enquired into impartially. I may here add that section 34 of the Municipal Act quoted by me gives power to the Collector to interfere in such cases, but as he has not been pleased to do so, I am led to report the same to Government for necessary action.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

(Signature)

Municipal Councillor & Merchant
Yanaikkal Street,
Madura.

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From

V.C.Sriraman Chettiar,
Municipal Councillor Madura.

No.

Dated 31-10-95

Received 4-11-95

Enclosures /

SUBJECT.

Submitting for information copy of his letter to the Collector of Madura soliciting his inteference in certain matters concerning the present state of affairs in the Madura Municipality.

Madura.
30th October 1895.

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 3447/M

From,

V. C. Spiramien Chettiar.
Municipal Councillor,
Madura.

To.

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir.

In Continuation of my letters to you dated the 30th August and 4th October 1895. I have the honor to submit, for the information of Government, Copy of my letter of this date to the Collector of Madura, Soliciting his interference in certain matters Concerning the present State of affairs in the Madura Municipality.

* C.no 2775/95
* C.no 3451/95
† C.no 3076/95
Lodged.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
V. C. Ramien
Municipal Councillor & Merchant
Yanaikkal Street.

(True Copy)
V. C. Ramien
Municipal Councillor & Merchant
Yanaikkal Street Madura
30-10-95

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

V. C. Srivaman
Municipal Councillor & Merchant
Yanaikkal Street.

* cno 2775/95
* cno 3451/95
+ cno 3076/95
Lodged.

Madura.
30th October 1895.

From. V. C. Srivaman Chettiar,
Municipal Councillor,
Madura.

To. The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.
The Collector of
Madura.

CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
3 NOV. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Sir, I have the honor to submit for your Kind Consideration, a few matters regarding the Manager of the Madura Municipality and to request that under section 34 of the District Municipalities' Act IV of 1884, you will be so good as to take such notice of them as the circumstances of the case may call for.

2. The services of the present Manager of the Municipal office, Mr. Dharmasami Naicker were lent to the Municipality by the Government, in April 1893, he having been previously employed as a clerk in your office. His appointment was sanctioned by the Council for only one year i.e from April 1893 to April 1894; and, notwithstanding the protests made to the Chairman against his retention in service on the score of his proved inefficiency and incompetency, he had been allowed by the Chairman to continue for a further term of 2 years, though perhaps, with the sanction of the Government, but certainly without the sanction of the Council, who should I think, have been Consulted in the first instance. Complaints were made against him to the Chairman by a Councillor, in or about March last, in certain instances. The Chairman has not taken any action thereon till now.

3. I requested the Chairman in my letter under

under date the 3rd October to enquire fully into the long delay in realising the sale proceeds of a tamarind tree sold more than a year ago. A sum of Rs70 or there-about alleged to have been the amount for which the tree in question was sold and alleged also to have been collected on the 4th October was allowed to be credited to the Municipal Fund on that date without an enquiry into the delay complained of by me. Then Messers: Ananthakrishna Naidu, Veerdasan Naidu and myself proposed in a letter of the same date that a thorough investigation of the matter be made and that the individuals responsible for it be prosecuted if necessary, and that the subject itself be placed before an early meeting of the Council. Nothing had been done on this either.

4. Owing to his default in promptly collecting the arrears of Kists due by certain Contractors and reporting the names of the defaulters to the Council in time to admit of its taking steps for their recovery or Cancelment of the Contracts during their currency, as the case may be, and owing also to his default in taking bonds from a few of the Contractors, the Municipality is involved in unnecessary and costly litigation. All this, in my opinion, is due to the Manager's carelessness, neglect of duty and incompetency — not to speak of the Chairman's indifference to such matters.

5. There was a delay of over 10 months on the part of the Manager in crediting to the accounts the unexpended balance of the Advance made for the Chittra festival arrangements of 1894. It would appear that Rs 1000 was drawn from the Treasury on the 10th April 1894 as

as advance for meeting the necessary expenditure under that head and it was only on the 1st March 1895 that Rs 92-12-6 was refunded to the Treasury as balance. A few of the vouchers filed in support of the bill submitted for the Council's sanction at the meeting of the 14th May 1895 were found to be defective in certain respects. Mention was made in the said bill that the balance in question had been kept in cash and had even been verified by the Assistant Inspector of Local Fund Accounts in the course of his audit on the 4th February 1895, and it needs explanation why the balance should not have been credited in the accounts on that date at least or immediately after. It cannot be contended that it had not been done on account of the delay in securing vouchers for expenditure incurred, as there could have, I think, been no difficulty whatsoever in obtaining them then and there if the transactions had but been fair on the whole. The mere circumstance that the money was kept all the time in the Municipal Cash Chest (and I suppose there will be an attempt to make it appear so) cannot, in my opinion, absolve the Manager of his responsibility or blame, as the Cash Chest in intended only for the permanent advance of the office; and when the length of time is taken into Consideration, the matter assumes a formidable magnitude and serious aspect. Similarly, the amount of Rs 150, advanced on the same date (10th April 1894) for the purchase of Kerosene oil had not been accounted for and the balance refunded within a reasonable period.

6. I might have brought these facts to the notice of the Council in the first instance, had it not been for the existence of a strong faction therein, and as delay is inadvisable in such matters, I have thought it fit to lay them before you.

I have the honor to remain
Sir
your most obedient servant
(Signed) V. C. Seu Raman Chetty (a Tamil)
Municipal Councillor and Merchant
Vandikkal Street.

(True Copy)

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Municipal Councillor & Merchant

Zamindhal Street Madura

30-10-95

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