

Local & Munl. (1895) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 889/n

DATED 27th May 1895.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Electric Tramways, Madras.

Requesting the Government of Bombay to give certain information in connection with the proposed introduction of a system of "monthly money prizes" on-----.

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

The C.S. direct in his note that the Commissioner of Police Bombay should be addressed on this subject. As it is proposed to ask, in case the lotteries are permitted, on what grounds the Government permitted them would it not be better to address the Chief Secretary?

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22.11.
I don't see much
in it but the
Chief Secy will I think
be better
27/11

Monthly prizes. 3

The procedure in this matter is as follows:—
The whole of the counterparts of the tickets issued to passengers during the month preceding are thrown into a heap and mixed together. Three or more representatives of the passengers must then withdraw from the heap a certain number of parts. The first — counterparts thus drawn entitle the holders of the corresponding tickets to one prize each of Rs — and the remaining — counterparts entitle the holders of the corresponding tickets to one prize each of the value of Rs — The — counterparts are then pasted into the prize Register, and the numbers and specification of the winning tickets advertised in the two daily English newspapers. A description of the prize winning tickets is also pasted up in each of the company's cars. It is further circulated by means of handbills, on which is also printed a notification of the date on which the next prize drawing will take place and an invitation to any passenger, who may care to do so, to attend. The cashier is required to see that each drawing is carried out in a proper and bonafide manner, and that the drawing of the — counterparts is indiscriminate and without selection. He must also satisfy himself that every applicant for a prize produces the correct ticket, and he must carefully compare and verify that ticket with the counterpart in the Prize Register. Having assured himself as to the validity of the claim, he must obtain the initial of the manager or the Deputy Manager on the debit voucher before making payment of the amount of the prize.

Balance still is, in use by the Bombay
Treasury and we trust therefore that
Government will see their way to
sanctioning the scheme.

We must point out to you that it is long
ago

Madras Electric Tramways
9, ARMENIAN STREET.



Madras, 27th April 1895
& Municipal Dept.

The Chief Secretary
To the Government of Madras
CURRENT No. 1474 h.

Electric Tramways

Sir

We have the honor to inform you, for the information of His Excellency, that it is proposed in connection with the above to institute a system of monthly weekly prizes and, before taking any actual steps in the matter we shall be glad to hear your opinion on the proposition.

We enclose a copy of the proposed mode of procedure from which you will see that it does not in any way resemble the conduct of an ordinary lottery, and we may add that it has been for many years, and we believe still is, in use by the Bombay Tramways and we trust therefore that Government will see their way to sanctioning the scheme.

We must point out to you that it is by no means

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Wm. Chaplin

Secy

James M. Smith

for the Petroleum House in St.
Albany is the Transfer

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Local & Municipal Dept.

CURRENT No. 1474.

From

Messrs. Arbutnot & Co.
Madras.

No.

Dated 27/4

Received 3/5-

Enclosures 1.

SUBJECT.

Looking for the favor of opinion of Govt. the proposal to institute a system of monthly prizes in connection with the Tramways.

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Land and DEPARTMENT.

No. 1474 M

From Messrs. Arbutnot and Co. Madras

Dated 27th April

1895.

FOR ORDERS.

Messrs. Arbutnot and Co. request the sanction of Government to the institution of a system of 'monthly money prizes' in connection with the Electric Tramways. Their proposal is to hold a monthly drawing from a heap of counterparts and to pay sums varying from Rs 20 downwards to the holders of the tickets corresponding to those drawn.

2. This is practically a common lottery and penal under sec 294 of the Penal Code unless sanctioned by Government. In a number of somewhat similar cases sanction has been ^{declined} ~~refused~~ and the orders of the Government of India are that all applications for permission to hold lotteries are to be invariably refused (G.O. No. 463 Judicial 14-6-82).

3. The special reasons which Messrs. Arbutnot and Co. urge in favor of their proposal are (1) that a similar system has prevailed in Bombay and (2) that their object is not to popularize the tramway but to provide a check over their conductors.

4. As to (1) they do not assert that the system is now in vogue in Bombay and if it were that would be no reason for introducing it here. As to (2) the effect of the system, if not its object, would plainly be to popularize the tramway. There are other ways of checking conductors.

5. Submitted that sanction must be refused.

CF
20/4.

P.T.O.

I consider that this distinctly within the law as regards holding lotteries but perhaps before passing final orders it would be as well to address the Comm^r of Police & ascertain whether the practice on the ~~Bombay~~ ^{here} tramways is as stated and whether it received the sanction of the Gov^t of Bombay and if so did the Board upon which such sanction was accorded.

It is all very well for Mr. A. to say that the scheme is not one intended to trouble the traffic on the tramway: there cannot be much doubt, whatever may be intended, what the effect would be.

LD
22/5/95

Lotteries on the Madras Tramways

C.S.

(for orders)

said to be intended to act as a check on their conductors and

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Letter of 27.5.95 No. 889

To

{ The Commissioner of Police
Chief Secretary to the Gov^t of
Bombay

Sir,
The ~~attorneys~~ ^{agents} of the Electric Tramway Company, Madras, have ~~ad-~~
~~vised~~ ^{moved} this Government ~~to~~
~~sanction~~ ^{to} the introduction of a
system of ~~what they call~~ "monthly
money prizes" on the tramways under
their control. The system, as sketched
by them, ^{appears to} practically amounts to a lottery
in which prizes are to be given to the
holders of tickets corresponding in number
to certain ~~numbers~~ ^{balls} drawn out of a bag.
~~which~~ ^{it} would ~~appear~~ ^{seem} to be contrary
to the principles laid down in Home Depart-
ment Resolution No 329 of the 12th November
1871.

2. ~~The~~ ^{Agents} state, however, that a system
similar to that suggested by them has
been for many years in force on the tramways
in Bombay. I am directed ~~to~~ ^{to}
~~request~~ ^{with the permission of the Hon^{ble} Secy to Council} that ~~you~~ ^{you} inform ~~me~~ ^{whether}
the system ~~is~~ ^{any such system} in force in Bombay,
and if it does whether it has received
the sanction of the Government, and if so, on what grounds
such sanction was accorded.

LD (for orders)
23/5/95

Recd 31/5/95

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Lotteries in the Madras Travancore.

C.S.

*Draft letter to the C.S. Bombay
of Police Bombay for approval*

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