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16th March 1896.

(Signed) P. TAMBUSWAMI,
Hospital Assistant and Chairman.

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Ref. on No. 974/Rev: of 1896.

Forwarded to the Collector of Tanjore for transmission to the Sanitary Commissioner.

A copy of the letter of the Executive Engineer alluded to dated 20th January is annexed.

I am not aware of the reasons which prevented the promise therein contained from being given effect to. Unless there are insuperable objections it certainly seems advisable to let water down the river on these occasions, and in any case, if this cannot be done, the Chairman should be informed in advance so that temporary wells may be dug in the river-bed.

(Signed) W. B. Ayling
23. 3. 96. Ag: Sub Collector.

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No. 551.

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2. In the matter of supply of water the Executive Engineer has been addressed.

9-4-96. For Ag: Collector

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For Acting Collector.

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No. 973

Tanjore Collector's office
Dated 16th May 1896.

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H. Moberly Esquire
Acting Collector of
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To

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

From
The Collector of
Tanjore

To the Sanitary Commissioner
Madras.

Dated 16th } May 1896
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No 973

Enclosure one.

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No. 1016/S.

Forwarded to Government.

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seven additional tokes" would be requisite. A cholera shed at a cost of Rs 5 could hardly have afforded a reasonable amount of comfort.

W G King

Surgn. Lt Col

Sanitary Commissioner

22nd May 1896

Fort St. George

Local and Municipal DEPARTMENT.

From 1491 L

SURN.-LT.-Col. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,
SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secretary
to Government
Local & Municipal.

No. 1016 S

Dated 22nd
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Tanjore.	P. Tambuswami Pillai, Chairman, Union Panchayat, Tiruvadamarudúr.	Sri Mahalingaswami Pushyam festival at Tiruvadamarudúr.	From the 19th to the 30th January 1896 ; the 29th and the 30th being the most important.	About 25,000.	One cholera shed had been erected at a cost of Rs. 5, five temporary latrines had been erected at a cost of Rs. 20 and they were cleansed every day both morning and evening by six additional toties at a cost of Rs. 11-4-0, thirty-one cart loads of sand at a cost of Rs. 5-9-0 were provided for the use of latrines and cholera shed, two temporary scavenging carts were entertained on Rs. 10, ten additional sweepers had been engaged at a cost of Rs. 18-12-0 to clean the streets and lanes, one temporary night-soil cart had been entertained on Rs. 2-8-0, one additional toty had been engaged at a cost of Rs. 1-14-0 to remove the night-soil, one additional maistry had been appointed on Rs. 2-8-0 to supervise the scavenging work, one additional watchman had been appointed to the Singanadi tank at a cost of Rs. 1-1-0, one watchman had been appointed to the Virashclan river on Rs. 2, eight men had been engaged to draw water from wells and to supply to the pilgrims on Rs. 8 and 20 tin tumblers were purchased for 10 annas.	The Singanadi tank was preserved for drinking purposes by appointing two watchmen. Water sheds were opened on four different corners of the town and the pilgrims were continually supplied with water drawn from wells. It is sad to remark that the Executive Engineer, Tanjore, who promised in his letter No. 244, dated 20th January 1896, to let in water to flow in the Cauvery on the 29th and 30th January 1896, turned a deaf ear even to a telegram given him on the 29th January 1896. But by the kind assistance of the local authorities, it was managed to have a sufficient flow of water in the river. The pilgrims felt no inconvenience for water-supply unlike previous years.	The streets were all kept clean and they were swept then and there by the scavengers.	*Nil.*	Good.	The Executive Engineer should be requested to give a timely notice if he is unable to let in water to flow in the Cauvery, so that the local authorities may have recourse to digging springs in the bed of the river. In consideration of his promise communicated to me in his letter No. 244, dated 20th January 1896, no springs were dug out although provision was made for the same. Had it not been for the recent rain and consequent small flow in the river, it would have been a sad thing to see the immense crowd of 25,000 pilgrims craving for water at one and the same time.	....

(Signed) P. TAMBUSWAMI,
Hospital Assistant and Chairman.

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