

Local & Munl. (1896) Department.

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G.O., No. 139 M

DATED 27th January 1896

[Despatch Abstract.]

Tanjore Water-works.

Recording with reference to the G.O., quoted, letter from the Sanitary Engineer, enclosing resolution of the Tanjore Municipal Council as regards its control over the head works and staff of the ----, and submitting, for orders of Government, his opinion as to the control over water-works establishments in towns where water-works have been or are to be completed.

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Tanjore Municipality

Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council, Tanjore, at a meeting held at 5 PM on Thursday the 12th September 1895 at the Municipal Office, Tanjore.

Present

11 Councillors

Resolution No I (a).

Read letter No 2433 dated 27.8.95 from the Sanitary Engineer to Government, Madras regarding the transfer of water works to the Council.

The Council resolves that the control of the water works including Head works and staff should remain with it.

(b) Read letter from Mr. R. S. S. K. Kalyan Sundram Esq. dated 23.8.95 requesting to make arrangements for the retention of Mr. Sivasubramanian Esq. to supervise the water works. The arrangement proposed is desirable. The Chairman is requested to correspond with the Sanitary Engineer on the subject and place before the Council definite proposals on the subject of pay etc.

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(Signed) K. S. Srinivasan
Chairman

(True Extract)

(Signed) K. S. Srinivasan
Chairman

'True copy'

[Signature]

Sanitary Engineer to Govt

[Initials]

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Tanjore Municipal office
24th September 1895.

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From

M. R. S. K. S. Srinivasa Pillay Esq.,
Chairman, Municipal Council,
Tanjore.

To

The Sanitary Engineer to Government,
Madras.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith an extract
from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council
dated 12th September 1895 for your information,
I have the honor to request that as the
Council desires to keep the water works
including Headworks and staff under its
control so as to enable the Council to provide
a D.S.W. officer well acquainted with the
details of the water works scheme and
competent to do all the works connected
therewith, you will be good enough to make
the necessary arrangements for the retention
of Mr. Sivasubramaneya Esq. on such
terms as you may deem proper.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Yours most obt. servt.

(Signed) K. S. Srinivasan

Chairman

(True copy)

[Signature]

Sanitary Engineer to Govt.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

No. 2805

OFFICE OF SANITARY ENGINEER,

Fort St. George, 26 Sept 1895.

Local & Municipal Dept.

CURRENT No. 965/M

From

J. A. JONES, Esq., MEM. INST. C.E., F.R.S.E.,

SANITARY ENGINEER TO GOVERNMENT,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Local and Municipal Department,

SIR,

With reference to the accompanying

resolution of the Municipal Council of Tanjore

and the letter of the Chairman dated the 24th

September 1895, No 1583, I have the honor to

address Government on the whole subject of

the control of these water supply schemes.

2. I may premise my remarks by saying

that no one would feel more grateful than

myself if the Councils who have water supply

works with engines & machinery or filter beds

were to have the full control of their

working & the establishment attached, but

the experience is that there is nothing which

has given greater trouble to this department

than the control of these establishments and

their working. The men are of a class not

easily dealt with even by Europeans; there

are always questions as to the quantity of fuel

oil

oil and other stores used, the quantity and quality of water pumped & filtered, the responsibility attached to each driver in charge & and many other questions that can be settled only by professional men.

3. This very experience and trouble which has been given & fallen on this department is the reason why I should be extremely happy to get rid of all such control & yet for the same reason I could not advise Government to give the control to a municipality - where even if the supervision was good, it would from want of knowledge be ineffective.

4. I believe that the interests of Councils would be best served by giving the entire control of the head works of each scheme to this department and giving it the power to suspend, dismiss & appoint subordinates & and purchase stores, fuel &c. The purchase of fuel has lately been given over by Madurai Council & these men are appointed and dismissed by this department with the concurrence of the Chairman.

5. I proposed to adopt the same system at Tanjore & hence the resolution of the Council now forwarded.

6. The proposal to appoint the present supervisor of this department at Tanjore to be in charge of Public Works including the head works is not one I approve of because the supervisor has no knowledge of machinery nor training in respect thereto and he is not likely

likely (nor is any ordinary native of his class likely) to deal satisfactorily with European and Eurasian Engine drivers &c who are often men most difficult to manage.

7. There are or will soon be four water supply schemes in Southern India; viz

Madurai

Dindigul

Tanjore

Trichinopoly

and at present Mr. Marchin gives all these his attention, but how the works are to be kept in due control and efficient when construction is finished is difficult to foresee as only at long intervals will the Boiler Inspector be able to visit the stations. I think it right to point out this to Government as one argument against this department having full control viz, that it may not always have an officer who can make frequent inspections, but if this department is amalgamated with the Public Works Department these would always be possible.

8. With these remarks I ask for the orders of Government not only in respect to Tanjore but in regard to all other existing and future schemes with which this department may be concerned.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Yours most obedient servant

[Signature]

Sanitary Engineer B.E.

[Initials]

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From

The Sanitary Engineer
B.S. Sub.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Local & Municipal Dept.

Dated 26th } September, 1895
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Tanjore Water Works

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as to the control over that other
towns where water works have
been or are to be completed.

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To be over pending final orders on the
question of amalgamating the S.S. Establs
with the P. & D. Department.

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19/9/95 W. Crooks

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Harist. Col. Pennington
replied to my office note yet? The
question ought to be disposed of
without further delay.

W. Crooks

C.S. order No. 139 dated 27.1.96

Recorded with reference to para
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To

The Sanitary Engineer
By 2. 28/1/96

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