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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPT.

G.O., DATED 11-5-96
No. 805/m.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Lahamakhau festival Humbak

Transferring to the Saug
Bd. letter from the Saug.
Commissioners regarding
approaching ——— with
request that it will consider
whether the Saug Engineer
and Saug Commissioners
should not make a joint
inspection & concert temporary
measures for the forthcoming
festival.

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READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, DATED
189, No. , MISCELLANEOUS.

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ENCLOSURES.

CURRENT No.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

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OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,

Fort St. George, *22* April 1896.

From

SURGEON LIEUT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,

SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE
Chief Secretary to Government
Local & Municipal Deptt

Enclosure. *enc.* Sir,

I have the honour to forward
an extract from my Report on the
sanitary condition of Kumbakonam
as supplied to the Municipal
Council for the information of
Government. I would, in view of
the highly unsatisfactory sanitary
state of the town, respectfully advise
that at an early date detailed
plans and estimates of require-
ments be made for the forthcoming
Mahamagam Festival. This can
only be accomplished by my
being placed in consultation
with an Engineering Officer. I
therefore, advise that the Sanitary
Engineer, or other Officer, be re-
quired to meet me at Kumbakonam
that, in consultation with the
Council

Council, these may be duly drawn up.

I have the honour to be
Sir

Your most obedt. servant

W. H. Jones

Surgeon Lt Col
Sanitary Commissioner

Extract from the Inspection Notes
of the Sanitary Commissioner on
Kumbakonam Municipality dated
20th April 1896.

11. Sanitary Administration. (a) It is obvious from the above description of the municipal arrangements for conservancy and water supply, are as defective as to suggest that the inhabitants of this town, which contains as large a proportion of educated men, have failed signally to grasp the fact that common cleanliness must be the foundation of social advance of a community. It is in a town thus deficient in sanitary efforts as to water supply and conservancy that probably 800,000 to 1,000,000 persons may assemble next February for the Mahanagur Festival. This Festival occurs but once in 12 years, and, as the date is auspicious, a larger assembly than usual must be expected, especially as Railway communication is now good. At a special meeting of the Council before I left the town after my inspection

inspection, I pleaded the necessity
for a water supply scheme being
undertaken without delay. I especially
pointed out how desirable it would
be that some attempt should be
made to undertake the scheme, or
that, in so far as the laying of
pipes, or the making of headworks
was concerned, some advance should
be made. I, however, found a strong
party in the Council who regard a
scheme by which the open tanks
of the town shall be kept full as
that which offers the best solution
of the question for a permanent
supply. This, I need not say, is
absolutely opposed to all sanitary
dictates, and that it is hopeless
to expect any efficient sanitary
results for expenditure ^{made}, unless
the water brought to the town be
protected from pollution. In the
end, however, a Resolution was
passed to the effect that Govern-
ment would be requested to direct
that an investigation of a water
scheme be undertaken. I could
not therefore persuade the Council
to advise that efforts be made to
ascertain

ascertain how far any permanent
scheme could, by partial com-
pletion, aid in securing a safe
supply during the Mahamagum.
My object in pressing this point
was with a view to economy. How-
ever, as matters stand, I trust the
Council will see that its duty to-
wards its townspeople and the
huge concourse that may assemble,
dictates that some arrangement
be arrived at that will secure a
fairly pure water supply during
that important period.

"(b) In the absence, therefore, of —
willingness on the part of the Muni-
cipality to undertake any part
of a permanent scheme, some
temporary measures are certain-
ly required urgently. For example,
the use of the Pothamari and —
Mahamari tanks being part of
the religious observance, they must
be supplied with a certain amount
of water. At the last Mahamagum
Festival, the water having been
pumped out to within 3 feet for
the sake of safety, the number
of bathers was so great that,
after

after wetting skins and clothes, —
nothing but the muddy bottom
in which the people wallowed re-
mained. It should therefore be
possible to have a temporary line
of pipes from the Cauvery to these
tanks for their supply, and re-filling
as necessary with clean water
during use. Secondly, this line
of pipes might be extended to
certain parts of the town dis-
charging into cisterns from
which the people could be supplied
by taps. In other parts of the town,
the free use of Norton's tube wells
and the closure of other ^{of supply} sources
would seem essential. It ought
to be possible, as a temporary ex-
pedient, to secure the water re-
quired from rough infiltration
beds within the sub-stream of
the Cauvery. These are matters that
will require careful working
out by an Engineer, and it would
be advisable that if the Council
agree with this general idea,
they should request Government
to depute an officer to make
the necessary plans and estimates
without

without delay. When the prime want
of a protected water supply is re-
-cured, I shall be in a position
to enter into other questions con-
-cerning preparations for the for-
-coming Festival, in consultation
with the Council."

"(c) In the meantime, it is essential
that efforts should be made to place
the conservancy of the town in res-
-pect to requirements of normal
population in correct condition.
The following is a list of the latrines,
menial staff, and plant I con-
-sider requisite:—

Public latrines	Rs. 56
Tolies	113
Sweepers	56
Night soil carts of 14 C.ft capacity	20 "

"(d) As an expeditious, cleanly and
economical method of transporting
night soil from the town, in that
cartage will be saved, I would
advise the adoption of Shones
extractors to the extent of 4—serving
a main which should extend
to the night-soil depot. Although
largely used a

lifting sewage, the mode has been
proved of much utility employed
solely for night soil. Less pools
and drains from houses in
the neighbourhood could be
discharged into the ejectors."

(True Extract)

W. King

Surgeon Lt Col
Sanitary Commissioner

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For forwarding for information
of Govt. extract from his
inspector's report on the
sanitary condition of the
district of that order may
be issued for the purpose
of the same to be made
in connection with the
sanitary condition.

1/22 May 1892

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.
Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 1232 M.

From
The Sanitary Commr.

No. 838
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Dated 22nd April '96.
Received 22nd

Enclosures 1-

SUBJECT.

Forwarding for information
of Gmt. extracts from his
Inspection notes on the
Kumbhaconam Murtty &
requesting that orders may
be issued for the preparation
of plans & estimates for the
Sanitary improvements required
in connection with the Maha-
nagari festival.

Commissioner to the
Sanitary Commr. with
view to the preparation
of plans & estimates
for the sanitary improve-
ments required in con-
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nagari festival.

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From

The Sanitary Commissioners

Communicated to the Sanitary Engineer with the request that he visit Dr. King at Kumbhakonam and in consultation with him and with the Municipal Council prepare plans and estimates for the necessary works.

Sd/-

W.D.

15/5/96

Dr. King is a most magnificent in his proposals.

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I think it wd be better to transfer this to the San. Bd. with the request to consider whether the San. Eng. & San. Comm. shd not make a joint inspection & concert temporary measures for the forthcoming festival. I don't see how any permanent measures can be undertaken. The S. E. has plenty of work on hand & no funds for permanent works are likely to be forthcoming.

15/5/96

No. 838

S.

Dated 22ndReceived 22nd

} April 1896.

Enclosure 1.

SUBJECT.

Forwarding for information of Govt. extracts from his Inspection notes on the Kumbhakonam Municipality & requesting that orders may be issued for the preparation of plans & estimates for the sanitary improvements required in connection with the Mahamagam festival.

W. H. Horder

To the Sanitary Engineer
" " Commissioner
" Chairman, K. K. Kumbhakonam

15/5/96

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ORDER.

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Transferred to the Sanitary Board with the request that it will consider whether the San. Eng. & San. Comm. should not make a joint inspection & concert temporary measures for the forthcoming festival. The Govt. considers that for want of time & money it will hardly be possible to carry out any permanent works for the purpose improvements.

W.D.

8.5.96

(from orders)

15/5/96

To Joint Secretary to the
The Sanitary Board (Painkhalia Branch)
with C. No. 1232 in Enc.

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