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for Council for ward 11/11/96

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No. 977 M., 11TH JUNE 1896.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From M.R.Ry. P. VENKATAKRISHNAYYA NAIDU Garu, B.A., Chairman,
Municipal Council, Guntur, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated
13th April 1896, No. 46.

I have the honour to request that you will be kind enough to obtain the orders
of the Government on the following point.

2. In the election held on the 30th ultimo for a councillorship to represent the
first (Kottapet) ward, M.R.Ry. P. Venkatarreddy Garu, a candidate nominated for
the ward, voted for himself as he was a registered elector therein. This was brought
to my notice by another candidate, M.R.Ry. P. Sreeramulu Sastry Garu, with a
request that the vote should not be counted. But as the existing rules for the
conduct of councillors, elections do not deal with the point, I did not invalidate the
vote. I, however, make this reference to get an authoritative ruling from the
Government on the matter.

3. There is a special ruling prohibiting a councillor from voting in any matter
in which he is interested (G.O., No. 239 M., dated 16th February 1895), and there is
another ruling to the effect that no member nominated for Chairmanship should
vote for himself (G.O., No. 1966 M., dated 17th December 1894); but as far as I
remember, there is no distinct order of the Government preventing a candidate for
councillorship from voting for himself, though on the above-mentioned analogies it
may be doubted whether he can do so.

4. I therefore solicit the orders of the Government for future guidance in such
cases.

ORDER—No. 977 M., dated 11th June 1896.

The Government considers that, although there is no provision in the existing
rules for the election of councillors to prohibit a candidate from voting for himself,
it is improper for him to do so.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary, P.W.D.,
for Chief Secretary.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Guntur.
" all other Chairmen of Municipal Councils.
" all Collectors.

Exd. P. See'haram.

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Noted.

*Shd. not be made a precedent
+ Communicated to all
M. C. S.*

S.B.

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No 46

Municipal Office, Guntur

Dated 13th April 1896

At Dept.

From

MR R. P. Venkatakrishtayya naidu garu B.A.
Chairman, Municipal Council,
Guntur

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Local and Municipal Department,
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be kind enough to obtain the orders of the Government on the following point:-

2 In the election held on the 30th ultimo for a Councillorship to represent the First (Kattapet) Ward, MR R. P. Venkatarreddy Garu, a candidate nominated for the ward, voted for himself as he was a registered elector therein. This was brought to my notice by another candidate, MR R. P. Sreenivasulu Sastry garu, with a request that the vote should not be counted. But as the existing rules for the Conduct of Councillor

Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 1177M

Notes
For orders.

The Chairman
Municipal Council,
Quinton

To
The Chief Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal Department
Maam.

Dated 13th April 1896

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No 46

Subject

Soliciting the orders of Government
as to whether a candidate for
Councillorship may vote for himself

There is nothing in the election rules to
prevent a candidate from voting for him-
self. It is questionable whether it is
worth while making a special rule on
this point, as one vote in a ward
election is not likely to make much
difference, and it is a very different
matter at a Council meeting, where
one vote has much more importance.
Consequently the analogy between
a ward election of a councillor
and the election of a chairman by
the council is not very close.

WWD
1-5-96 I examined this in view of
a search being made for anything
bearing on the point but nothing
could be found. It must have
been some passing remark
of which I was thinking.
I consider that a man should
not be allowed to vote for
himself at any election and
that where he does, his vote
should not be counted.

Office Note
1-6-96
We can say so when we
revise the election rules, as we shall
soon have to do. For the present, I only
say that a man's voting for himself
is not prohibited, though improper.

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DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

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Chairman, M.C., Junction.

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(from order)
WWD
1-6-96
9/6/96

To
The Chairman M.C. Junction
" All the chairmen of sub. ch.
" all Collectors. Supp- 7/7/96

Election of Councillors

Return

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Chief Secretary.

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„ „ Collectors.

Exd. P. See'haram.

(From orders)

C. S.

R. S.

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