

Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 1477/m

DATED 29-6-97

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Printing of Mub. Account forms

*Requesting the Collr of Trichinopoly to obtain
& submit to Govt. the explanation of mldy P. S.
Sangara-Dela Pillai and Muhammad Khadir Nawaz Khan
Sahib Bahadur for the deliberate disregard of the
orders of Govt. with regard to the _____ at a
Central Press under the supervision of the Accountant
General.*

BACK PAPERS.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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Current No. 3300m of 1896.
+ 1906m of 1897

NOTE FOR THE Secretary.

Please see the remarks of the Hon'ble Mr. Grose and His Excellency the Governor in the note for orders on the currents read above:

(1) Muhammad Khadir Navaz Khan Sahib was appointed as Chairman on 8th September 1896.

(2) A separate note on His Excellency's proposal regarding the execution of the printing work locally with be submitted as soon as these papers are received back from Doly

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Minute Submitted

Failure of Municipal
 account forms at the Central Press
 and General.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., dated 189, No.
 Current No. 3300 M of 1896, dated 10 - 12 - 1896 from the Accountant General.
 Current No. 1906 M of 1897, dated 28 - 4 - 1897 from the Chairman, M.C. Trichinopoly.

FOR ORDERS.

A Para. 12 of the 1st.

In its order No 2109 M dated 30th November 1891, the Government directed that the forms of Municipal registers, accounts, etc., should, with a view to secure uniformity, be printed in some Central press under the Accountant General's supervision and supplied to all Municipal Councils on indent. The Accountant General thereupon issued a Circular to all Chairmen of Municipal Councils in January, 1892, requesting them to send their indents for forms to the Jubilee Press at Trichinopoly, which had been selected by him in conformity with the above order. The Chairman, Municipal Council, Trichinopoly, having then expressed his inability to comply with the above requisition on the ground that he had not ready entered into an agreement with a local press for five years, the matter was not pressed at the time by the Chairman. The Chairman, Municipal Council, Trichinopoly, did not take up the matter at the time.

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Singaravelu Pillai and be called on for explanation. He was not present at the time. The Chairman, Municipal Council, Trichinopoly, did not take up the matter at the time.

Accountant-General, as he feared that the cancelling of the contract would cause loss to the Municipality. On the 7th November 1895 the Chairman's attention was again drawn to this matter by the Assistant Inspector of Local Fund Accounts, and as the Chairman's reply was evasive, he was for a third time informed by the Inspector of Local Fund accounts on the 28th May 1896 that the Municipality had no option in the matter and that the orders of Government should be adhered to; but notwithstanding this, the Chairman renewed his contract with the local press for a further period of five years from 1st April 1897. The Accountant-General now submits the case for orders and states that the action of the Chairman appears to be a deliberate violation of the orders of Government and the instructions of his Office based thereon.

2. The Chairman to whom the Accountant-General's letter was referred for remarks, admits all that the Accountant-General says, but states that the present contract with the local press was sanctioned by the Council on 4th June 1896 and that the then Chair-

Chairman, Sengara Velu Pillai should be called on for an explanation of his action, and I agree with the Hon. Secy. that the present Chairman, Kadur Narsing Khanna should also be called upon for an explanation; although on his hands were laid by the contract entered into by his predecessor, I cannot see that he is seriously to blame.

I cannot see why this printing should not be done locally, provided that uniformity and economy are secured. On this understanding, I think it only fair that the local press should have the work. If necessary, a certificate from Mr. Hall that the work is well done and the rates fair, might be required. Such trifling matters of administration should, I consider, be left to the discretion of local bodies. The Order of the 30th Nov. 1891, is a specimen of the centralizing, meddling measures that mar the beauty of administration in this country. I should be glad to see it modified in the extent suggested above.

R.S.H. 15.6.97

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Draft as above: & then put up H.E. Proposal with the p. & a note for separate consideration

Chairman (M. R. R. Singaravelu) was not wholly responsible for it did not deal with such question dependantly of the Council. He that, on account of the greater convenience which a local Press affords the Council has all along been accustomed from entrusting its printing work to a Madras firm, and adds that besides the account forms, the Municipality has a mass of other printing work, which it would be more convenient to send to Madras and which by itself is not sufficiently remunerative to attract a local printer, that the local printer has been doing the work very satisfactorily for many years at low rate charges and that the Assistant Inspectors of Local Fund Accounts have never found fault either with the forms or with the manner of printing them. The Collector, in his despatch on the Chairman's letter, remarks that the Council seems to have a strong preference for employing a local printer.

3. The action of the Council in deliberately disregarding the orders of Government is most improper, but the fact that this was done by the Council and not by the Chairman individually does not relieve the latter from

his responsibility in the matter.

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Accountant could have brought to the Council's
the fact that under the orders
cause Government the forms of accounts
the 7th No^l be printed in a Central Press
tion of the supervision of the Ac-
by the Joint General, and that the
Fund sector of Local Fund accounts
reply drawn his attention to this mat-
time on three occasions. But even
Local Chairman did so, he should
that reported to Government, then
in there, the resolution of the Coun-
Govt passed on the 4th June 1896, in
ation of the orders of Government
noted as the contract was to commence
from 1st April 1897, he had am-
time to do this.

It does not appear that the
Government can take any action
present, as the Municipal Coun-
act has bound itself down by a
contract with the local printer,
it would be difficult for it to
get out of it without probably in-
curring serious legal consequences.
It is therefore submitted that
nothing more need be done now
in censuring the Chairman and
Council for their deliberate
inactivity and disregard
of

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of the orders of Government.
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FOR ORDERS.

Local & Munl. (1896) Department.

CURRENT No. 3308



From

The Accountant General
Madras

No 15084 19-12-96
Order

Referred to the Chairman
Municipal Council, Trichinopoly
for remarks, which should be
submitted through the Collector;

[Signature]
Secretary to Govt

17/12/96
18th Decemb 96

No. L-72
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Dated 18th December 1896.

Received 10-12-96

Registered 10-12-96

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Bringing to the notice
of Government the disregard
of the Chairman, Municipal
Council, Trichinopoly, to
have his forms printed
at the Chairman, m.c. Trichinopoly, by the Central Press at Madras.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
fo	1483	Lk	17-8-76
fo	362	Lk	25-2-9
fo	2109	h	30-11-91
fo	2091	h	13-12-92

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

LOCAL FUND DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George,
Accountant-General's Office,

No. 478 10th December 1896
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
CURRENT NO. 3300/n

From

J.C. Harrison, Esquire, C.S.

OFF. ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE

*Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,
Fort St George*

SIR,

I have the honor to brief to notice the following case of disregard of the orders of Government in connection with the printing of Municipal Account forms at a Central Press in Madras.

On the 12th January 1892, I addressed a general letter to all Chairmen of District Municipalities, requesting them to send their indents to the Jubilee Press at Madras, which had been selected by me in conformity with G.O. no: 2109^h dated 30th November 1891. The Trichinopoly Chairman in reply, expressed his inability to do so, on the ground that he had already entered into an agreement with a local Press for 5 years, and as the cancelling of the Contract would probably have caused loss to the Municipality, the matter was not pressed further at the time. On the 7th November 1895 however, one of the Assistant Inspectors of Local

Resolⁿ was passed on the

Notwithstanding this, it has been ascertained — that the Chairman renewed his contract with the local Press on the 4 June 1896, for a further term of 5 years. As his action appears to be a deliberate violation of the orders of Government, and the instructions of this Office based thereon, I bring it to notice for such action as Government may see fit to take.

Yours obedient servant,

Off. Accountant-General

S. R. P. S. S. Chellappa Chetty, S. S.

Para 29. Read application of
P. Velagappa Pillai Proprietor of
the "Southern" Contract to bring
extension that it was opposed to the
orders of Government. To this
resol was passed on the

five years...
4-95, again

Resolved to Call for tenders
with the rider that the Council
is not bound to accept the lowest
or any tender and that Considera-
tion be shown to the present Contractor
who has been doing his work properly

Signed / P. S. Singaravelu
Chairman

Enc. Extract /

Municipal Office
Trichinopoly
April 1897

K. K. K. K.
Chairman

Letter of the M.C. of Trichinopoly
to print the Accounts forms at a Central Press
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Current No. 3300 of 1896, dated 10 Dec 1896 from the Accountant General, Madras
Current No. 1906 of 1897, dated 28 April 1897 from the Chairman M.C. Trichinopoly

Misc Order. No 1477 M. M. S. dt 25-6-97.

The Collector of Trichinopoly
is requested to obtain and submit
to Government the explanation
of M. R. by P. S. Singaravelu Pillai
for the deliberate disregard of
the orders of Government which
has been brought to light in
the Accountant General's letter
read above.

2. Muhammad Khadir Nary
Khan Sahib Bahadur should
also be required to explain
how it was that he carried out
the Council's resolution giving
the printing work on contract
to a local printer, knowing
that it was opposed to the
orders of Government. As this
resol was passed on the

(From Orders)

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Please return the tone
after dispatch.

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To
The Collector of Trichinopoly (Sd. Pauline, P. 12nd F)
Chairman M.C. Trichinopoly. DO
Dy. 4/7/07

Present.

S. J. Raghavani Esq. M.B. B.L. Councilor

A. Shanmugasundaram Pillai, Secy. to the office.

Surgeon Lieut Col. W. Harris. Councillos

Mahmud beyan Sahib

A. A. Michlin Esq

In R. Ry. A. C. Sheddwick's hands. No. 2

St. G. Lopata Jr. Ad.

J. S. Karay and army Pillsbury

J. M. Subbaramania Pillai. Secy.

" P. J. Krishna Rao, agent, Sec. 10

" J. S. Anamahaswara Jr. Sub. Dr.

" J. S. Phellappa Chettya, Mal.

"Thotta Ramasubramaniam Chettyar Sub D

Mahamad Alladulla Sahib

Shahamad Sirajuddien Sahib

L. R. Ryer, Jr. Cunasaurmi kudalya, sub.

Para. 63. Read *Sunda* to *rescinea*

In executing the Printing works of

the Municipality for 5 years for

The Municipality of
1st April 1897.

1st April 1891.

Proposed by M. R. R. V. Annaswami
Mudalyar Mergal and seconded by
M. R. R. Narayana Sundry Pillay
Mergal that the tender of Alagappa
Pillai be accepted for five years
at the rates given in it. Carried Aun. Cons.

Signed / O. S. Lingarajulu
Chairman

True Extract

Municipal Office
Trichinopoly
April 1897

Chairman

Chairman

Current No. 1609 of 97
Rev

Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

Dis No 807 of 97

Forwarded on 7/5/97

The Council seems to
have a strong preference
for employing a
local printer

Maintaining the
Ag Collector

Order

CURRENT No. 1906. M



From The Chairman
Municipal Council
Trichinopoly

No. 15.

Dated 28-4-97

Received 10 MAY 1897

Registered 10-5-97

Enclosures & C. No. 3300. M
with 2 enclosures
recd.

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SUBJECT.

Reporting the circumstances
under which the printing con-
tract with the local press
was extended for a term
of five years.

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MUNICIPAL COUNCILLORS' OFFICE,

TRICHINOPOLY *28th April 1897.*

No. 15

FROM, *Khan Bahadur Khadir Nawaz Khan Sahib*
CHAIRMAN.

~~Municipal Council.~~

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.

TRICHINOPOLY.
CURRENT No. *1906. 9m*

To,

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,

FORT ST. GEORGE.

Through the Collector of Trichinopoly.

SIR,

I have the honor to return
your Endorsement No 1508 dated 19th
December 1896 and to offer the following
remarks.

2. The Government Order quoted
by the Accountant-General does not
appear to have been received in the
office, but it is true that the Inspector
of the Local Fund Accounts requested
the Chairman to send his indent for
account forms to the Jubilee Press at
Madras. It is true also that in May 96
the Inspector of the Local Fund Accounts

drew attention to it. In the following month and eventually in the face of the above, the present extension of the contract with a local Press for five years from the 1st April 1897 was sanctioned by the Council in its Resolution No 63, copy of which is herein enclosed; but, for this I do not think the then Chairman is wholly responsible. He does not deal with such questions individually and independently of the Council. The printer seems to have presented a petition for extension and it was placed before the Council and disposed of as above.

3. I find that the Council has all along been averse to entrust its printing work to a Madras firm on account of the greater convenience that a local press affords. Besides the account forms, this municipality has a mass of other printing work, which it would be most inconvenient to send to Madras and which by itself is not sufficiently remunerative to

attract a local press.

4. The local printer has been doing the printing work of the Council very satisfactorily for the last seven years and, I believe, for moderate charges. This is another reason for the Council preferring this local press.

5. I beg permission to mention here that the prescribed standard forms are adhered to and that the Assistant Inspectors of the Local Fund Accounts have never found fault with the forms nor with the manner of their printing.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Khush Narsu
Chairman M.C.

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READ AGAIN G.O., No. 189

DATED

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT

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