

Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

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G.O., No. 1728 M.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Dist. Mulkis Act, Amendment Act.

Passing orders with regard to certain proposals submitted by the M.L. Council of Coonoor, under the Madras Dist. Mulkis Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897.

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Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

Forwarded. It will be seen that the consideration of the Taxes on Buildings & on ~~the~~ Servants has been postponed. Sanction to the Resolutions, where necessary, may be accorded.

Order

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CURRENT No. 2366h

From the Chairman
Municipal Council
Coonoor.

No. 170.

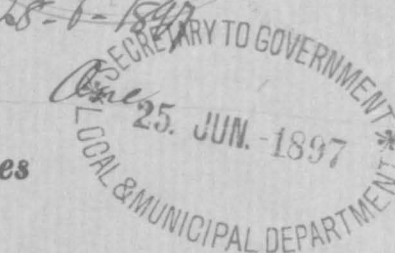
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Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Submitting extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council, Coonoor, and requesting the sanction of Government to certain points in connection with the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884 as amended.

BACK PAPERS.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

No 170.

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Municipal Office,
Coonoor, 16 June 1897

From

J. A. Marjoribanks, Esq.
Chairman, Municipal Council,
Coonoor

To

The Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal Department
Through the Collector of Nilgiris.

Sir,
With reference to section 50 of Madras Act IV of 1884 I have the honour to submit herewith, an extract from the proceedings of a meeting held by the Municipal Council of Coonoor on the 14th instant, and to request the sanction of Government to the following points:-

1. To allow the Municipality to dispense with the appointment of Secretary and to permit the Chairman, Mr. J. A. Marjoribanks who gives his whole time to the work to continue in office as paid Chairman on Rs 200 per month.

2. To levy from 1st April 1897 the tax on arts under Section 47 (1) at the rates specified in the amended Schedule A.

3. To levy from 1st April 1897 the tax on lands not occupied by buildings, and lands occupied by native huts at Rs 1.8 per acre under Section 63, (3) (a) and (b) as amended.

4. To levy from 1st October 1897 a yearly water

Reference in G.O. No 465 and 24th June 97. The Secy has noted that in favour of this proposal.

A draft Circular sanctioning this & the adoption of the revised rates of tax given in Schedule A (item 5) in all municipalities has been submitted for publication. Secy has been specially requested to call attention to the same and to appear to the Council in sanctioning it.

and drainage tax on buildings and lands at $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, the present water rate of one per cent continuing up to that date.

5. To levy from 1st October 1897- the present rates holding good for the current half year- the tax on vehicles and animals at the maximum rates specified in schedules B and C as amended, with the exception of the rate for palanquins, bicycles and tricycles which will be at one rupee per half year.

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Assessment given
for this rate

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obed^t servant
A. Marjoribanks
Chairman

Enclosure No 1 in letter dated 16 June 1897 No 170.

Extract from the proceedings of a meeting of the
Municipal Council of Poona held on Monday the
14th June 1897.

Present.

J. H. A. Tremenhore, Esq.

W. F. Donaghue, Esq.

Somar Sait Sahib

MKRy P. B. Ranojirow Avargal

J. Egan, Esq.

E. Hall, Esq.

C. Gray, Esq.

Brigade Surgeon Lieut Col W. Price

MKRy A. Komarasamy Mudahar Avargal

Surgeon Major F. C. Reeves, and

J. A. Marjoribanks, Esq. Chairman.

I Read G. O. No 1054 M. dated 2nd May 1897 ordering
publication in the Fort St George Gazette of a notification
declaring that the Madras District Municipalities
Act Amendment Act 1897 shall come into force
from the date of the notification, with Chairman's
note and copy of the Act.

(1) With reference to section 34, clause 2, of the
Amendment Act the sanction of Government will
be sought for the continuance of a paid Chairman
on Rs 200 per month.

(2) The tax on carts will be levied from 1st April 1897
at the rates specified in the amended schedule A.

(3) The tax on buildings for the current half year
will

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will be levied at the present rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

Mr. Gray proposes that in the mean time the Chairman be requested to see the representative tax payers of Coonoor, European and native, with the object of forming a deputation to meet the Councillors on Thursday the 22nd July 1897 at 11 AM to consider the tax on buildings and a tax on visitors' servants. - 8 for and 3 against.

(4) As regards the tax on lands not occupied by buildings, and lands occupied by native huts, proposed by Mr. Gray and seconded by Ranajirow Avergal that a rate of Rs 1.8 per acre be charged from 1st April 1897 on such lands under the new section 49 - 63 (3) (a) and (b). Carried unanimously.

(5) Resolved unanimously that a water and drainage tax be raised on buildings and lands at $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent from 1st October next, the present water rate of one per cent continuing up to that date.

(6) Tax on Vehicles and Animals will be levied at the present rates for the current half year. The new maximum rates under Schedules B and C will be levied from 1st October next with the exception of the rate for palanquin, bicycle or tricycle which will be at one pice per half year.

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True Extract

L. A. Marjoribanks
Chairman

Proposals of the Municipal of Coonoor to dispense with the appointment of a Secretary and to increase the rate of certain taxes. LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., dated

189 , No.

Current No. 2366. M. of 1897, dated 16th June 1897 from the Chairman Municipal Council, Coonoor.

Current No.

of 189 , dated

from the

SUBJECT.

FOR ORDERS.

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The proposal of the municipal Council to dispense with the appointment of a Secretary and to permit the continuance of Mr. Marjoribanks as paid chairman, on a salary of Rs 200 per mensem, may be approved. In this connection attention is invited to the remarks on page 5 of the note for orders in G.O. No. 1465.M, dated 21st June 1897.

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2. The levy of the tax on carts in accordance with the revised Schedule A from the 1st April 1897, and of the tax on vehicles with springs, palanquins and animals, at the maximum rates prescribed in Schedules B and C from the 1st October 1897, may also be approved, but there does not appear to be

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any reason why the revised rates of the tax on vehicles &c should not be enforced from the 1st April 1897 and why the tax on palanquins, bicycles and tricycles, which is now fixed at one rupee per half year, should not also be levied at the maximum rate of Rs 3 per half year, provided in the amended Schedules B & C. The Municipal Council may be asked to report on these points.

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3. The Council also proposes to levy from the 1st April 1897, the tax on lands unappropriated to buildings, and lands occupied by native huts, at Rs 1-8-0 per acre under clauses (a) and (b) of subsection (3) of section 63 of Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, and to raise the rate of the water and drainage tax from one to two and a half per cent of the annual value, with effect from the 1st October 1897. The tax on lands is now levied at the rate of Rs 2-8-0 per acre of gum, acacia and garden land, Rs 1-4-0 per acre of coffee, tea, Cinchona, potatoes and

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or perhaps for the second half year?

! In view of the Council now
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Vice Chairman's letter in fo^{E 156m}
8-2-93

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vide para 6 of the administration
report for 1896-97.

shola land, and twelve annas per acre of native cultivation, grass or waste land. The estimated revenue from this source in 1897-98 is Rs 3,300. The total extent of land assessed in 1896-97 is 2,697 acres and if the proposed rate of Rs 1-8-0 per acre is introduced, the probable income from this source will be Rs 4,045 or Rs 745 in excess of that now realized. The rate of Rs 1-8-0 per acre, however, amounts to only 4.8 pies per eighty square yards against the maximum of four annas prescribed by clause (b) of subsection (3) of section 63 of act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897. The rate now proposed may be approved for the present; but in view of the fact that it is very low, the council may be asked to consider whether it cannot be raised to say at least one anna

for every eighty square yards

As regards the increase in the rate of the water and drainage tax from one to two and a half per cent, the ^{estimated} receipts from the water tax in 1897-98 amount to Rs 1670 and the proposed enhancement of the rate will bring in an extra revenue of Rs 2500.

If the proposed increase in the rate of the tax is approved, the total receipts from the tax will be Rs 4170. The estimated expenditure in 1897-98 on water supply and drainage, &c (i.e.) on the purposes for which the proceeds of the tax should be utilized, under the 1st proviso to section 47 of the Madras District Municipalities Act II of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, is Rs 4,625 as shown in the following statement:—

10 But that enhancement had perhaps better be put on lands occupied by native huts & on cultivated land for which 1/8 seems for the present enough

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Rs
Total receipts - 4170
Total expenditure 4625
Deficit - 455

As in the case of Ootac they may be asked to so arrange the rate as to make the rev. meet the expense

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	Estimated & exp. in 1897-98
<u>Water supply</u>	Rs
i. Petty new works	..
ii. Repairs to works, machinery, &c.	.. 1500
iii. Establishment	.. 530
iv. Contingencies	.. 35
v. Interest and sinking fund on loans	..
	<u>2065</u>
<u>Drainage</u>	
i. Repairs to works	.. 1000
ii. Establishment for flushing drains	.. 650
iii. Interest and sinking fund on the loan of Rs 12,000	.. 910
	<u>2560</u>
Total expenditure on water supply & drainage	Rs 4,625

Thus it will be seen that even with the proposed increase in the rate, the proceeds of the water and drainage tax fall short of the annual expenditure on water supply and drainage by Rs 455. It is therefore for consideration whether the council may be asked to enhance the rate to such an extent, that the revenue from the tax may cover the whole of the present expenditure on water supply and drainage. In this connection, however, it has been suggested

for every visit

is now under investigation by
the Sanitary Engineer and when
this is sanctioned, the rate of
the tax above referred to will
have to be raised still further
in order to provide funds for
the maintenance, &c. of the works
and for the repayment of the
loan which will have to be
raised for carrying it out.

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Please see marginal.

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Letter to the Sec.

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30-6-97.

Appthd Secretary, Coonoor

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. 1 dated 189 .

Again G.O., No. 2 dated 189 .

Current No. 2366. m of 1897, dated 16th June 1897, from The Chairman, Muni-
Council, Coonoor.

" " " " " "

" " " 189 " " "

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ORDER. No. 1728 M. mis. dt 5.8.97.

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Under subsection (2) of
section 39-A, of the Madras District
Municipalities Act IV of 1884, as
amended by Act III of 1897, His
Excellency the Governor in Council
is pleased to direct that the appoint-
ment of a secretary for the muni-
cipal council shall for the present
be postponed; The existing arrange-
ment of a salaried chairman, ^{of Coonoor}
with ~~therefore~~ ^{the present} continued.

2. The levy of the tax on
arts, in accordance with the amend-
ed Schedule A, from the 1st April 1897,
and of the tax on vehicles with
springs, and animals at the
maximum rates prescribed in
Schedules B and C, from the 1st
October 1897, are approved, but it
should be explained why they

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It is not proposed that the
a latter tax should ~~not~~ also be
of assessed at the enhanced rates
from the 1st April 1897.

3. It is observed that the
municipal council proposes to
levy the tax on "palanquins, bi-
cycles and tricycles," at the rate
of one rupee per half year against
a maximum of Rs 3 provided in
the amended schedule B. The
Government is inclined to consider
that the full rate might well be
charged ~~in this case~~. The council
is accordingly requested to state
their reasons why ^{this} ~~the full tax~~
should not be levied. Done.

4. The proposals of the
municipal council to levy the tax
on lands unappropriated to
buildings and on lands occupied
by native huts at the rate of
Rs 1-8-0 per acre and to ~~raise~~
the rate of the water and drainage
tax from one ^{percent} to two and a half
per cent of the annual value of
buildings and lands from 1st
October 1897 are sanctioned. ~~To the~~
rate of the tax on lands above re-
ferred to ~~is in the opinion of~~
Government, ~~very~~ ^{seems however to be} ~~low,~~ ^{unimprovement} ~~of the~~

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~~attention of the municipal council~~
~~should consider whether it is~~
~~desirable to the desirability of~~
increasing it to, say, at least one
anna for every eighty square
yards, in the case of lands occupied
by native huts.

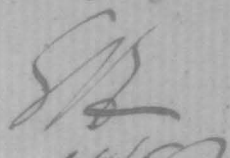
5. — The anticipated income
in 1897-98 from the water and
drainage tax of one per cent, ~~being~~
~~Rs 1670~~ ^{Rs 1670} ~~the probable income which~~
~~can be realized from~~ ^{the proposed}
two and a half per cent rate
will ~~be~~ ^{produce} only Rs 4,170, while the
estimated expenditure in 1897-
under water supply and dra-
age, inclusive of the annual
for the repayment of the Gove-
ment loan on account of the
objects, amounts to Rs 4,625. ^{However}
deficit must be met from the
proceeds of the tax, and His
Excellency the Governor is

Council desire at the question 16.
 lat² increasing the rate of the tax
 so as to meet this deficit may be
 considered at ^{a very} early date.

(From orders.)

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To the Chairman, the Council
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10/8/97

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