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Submitting proposals for the introduction of elective privileges to the municipal town of Srivillipettur.

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On the east by the channel supplying Cholangulam within and excluding survey No. 8-96-95-88-86 and 89 of Srivilliputtur; the north and western bunds of the Inam Rajakularamaperi Tank, within and excluding the Adangal Nos. 8-30-31-105-37-40 and 41 of the Dry lands of Inam Nachiyarkoi

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survey Nos 21-24-25-26-27-29-30.
32-36-35-53-54-78-77-76-108-107-98-
97 of Srivilliputtur.

On the west by the Road from Srivilliputtur to Rajapalayam.

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On the east by the road from Madura to Rajapalayam and within and excluding survey Nos 5-6-7-8-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-19 42 and 22 of Srivilliputtur.

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On the south by the Periyamadai sluice of the Periyakulam tank and the channel therefrom.

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3rd Ward — Comprises the north-western portion of the town west of Madura Road and north of Western portion of Satur road.

It is bounded on the north by Venkataisvarapuram and Inam Kurukalkulam drylands within and excluding the dry land No 84 of the Inam Kurukalkulam within and excluding survey Nos 47

476-435-and 434 of Vadaku Srivilliputtur and excluding Nos 756-740-720-719-715-713 of Venkataiswarapuram

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Syed Mustafa
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SUBJECT.
Constitution of the Municipal Council, Srivilliputtur

FOR ORDERS.

In his letter read above, the Chairman, Municipal council, Srivilliputtur makes the following proposals:—

(1) That the maximum strength of the municipal council may be reduced from 18 to 12,

(2) That one third of the total number of municipal councillors should be elected by the rate-payers and inhabitants of the municipality and

(3) That the election may be by the town as a whole and not by wards. He also enquires whether the election rules framed by Government under section 250 (1) (a) of the District Municipalities Act and in force in the other municipalities generally may be

made applicable to this municipality or whether any alterations are necessary.

As regards (1) the Chairman states that he proposes a reduction in the strength of the council from 18 to 12, having regard to the educational standard of the town, that it is very difficult to get half a dozen men who can be expected to take an intelligent interest in the affairs of the municipality, and that any increase in the number implies the introduction of an undesirable element into the council. The collector supports this proposal, which it is submitted, may be approved. In this connection attention is invited to the remarks of the Hon'ble Sir Henry Bliss in G.O. No. 1534 M., dated 23rd October 1894, constituting the town of Srivilliputtur into a municipality.

As regards the question of introducing the elective system of appointing councillors into the town, it is observed that in the notes in the ~~docket~~ file on the general question of elections in Notes under the new Act it has been decided that the

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system of nomination by the Governor in Council shall in any case continue in force for some time. It has, however, to be noted that this town, having been constituted a municipality on the 1st October 1894, it will have completed three years of its existence on the 1st October 1897, and that it does not therefore come within the purview of the proviso to section 10 of Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897. Considering that the municipality was started amidst much opposition and, as the Chairman rightly observes "is struggling for existence amidst "various disturbing causes", the extension of the elective system of appointing councillors to the town appears to be premature and inexpedient, but as section the Act, seems to be absolute, it submitted that some small proportion, say one sixth of the total number of municipal councillors instead of one third as recommended by the Collector, may be allowed to be elected by the ratepayers [illegible].

Yes, after 3 years [illegible]

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3. The chairman's proposal that the election shall be by the town as a whole, may be approved, and he may be informed that revised election rules are in course of preparation and will be issued shortly and that these rules will have to be adopted by the municipal council.

P.R.
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(From orders)

V.R.
28/10/97

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To
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