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Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 2378 M

DATED 29-10-97

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Salem water supply scheme

Informing the Mun. C., Salem, that Govt. cannot entertain any proposal for a grant from Provincial funds for the investigation of a water supply scheme for Salem, so long as mul: sources of revenue are unexhausted; & that the anticipated deficit in the mul: funds should therefore be met by increased taxation under the Dt. Multies Act Amendment Act III of

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Provincial grant for improvement of water supply Salem

Salem municipality

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Current No 2614 m of 1897, dated 14th July 1897 from the Chairman M.C. Salem

Current No. 3248 M of 1897, dated 10th September 97 from the .. ..

Misc Order. No. 2378 M's d/29/10/97

The Government cannot entertain a proposal for ~~sanction~~ the grant of Rs 5,300 from Provincial funds, ~~as requested~~ solicited by the municipal council, so long as ~~its~~ municipal sources of revenue are unexhausted. The anticipated deficit in the municipal funds should therefore be met by increasing the taxation under the District Municipalities Act Amendment Act III of 1897 and more especially by levying the water and drainage tax, which has been provided for the very purpose for which the money ~~above referred to~~ required was allotted, ~~viz.~~ the improvement of the water supply of the town.

(Form orders)

V.R.
26/10/97

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Despatched

Please return this to K.R. after despatch in view to the preparation of the note reqd by the H.M.
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Outw 2/11/97

To
The Chairman M.C. Salem,
through the Collector

Note. The note on the tax on arts question referred to in H.M.'s note will be

ent up after the orders on this current
have been despatched

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
Current No. 2614 M of 1897, dated 14th July 1897 from the Chairman, M.C. Salem
Current No. 3248 M of 1897, dated 10th September 1897 from the do

SUBJECT.

FOR ORDERS.

mgo 1153 M / 10-5-97 I

In G.O. No 1033 W, dated 13th April 1897, the Public Works Department sanctioned an estimate amounting to Rs 5,300, for carrying out certain works in connection with the investigation of the water supply of Salem and in G.O. No 1153. M, dated 10th May 1897, the municipal council was requested to place the required funds at the disposal of that Department.

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2. With the first letter read above, the chairman forwarded copy of a resolution of the municipal council placing a sum of Rs 5,300 at the disposal of that Department and requesting that a grant equal to this amount may be made from

Provincial funds in view of the fact that the municipality will be left with a deficit at the end of the current year owing to a large decline in the receipts from the tax on arts in consequence of the introduction of the new amendment Act III of 1897. It is stated that although a revenue of Rs 14,000 was anticipated under the profession tax in the budget for the current year, only an approximate income of Rs 3,000 will be realized from this source, and that owing to a fall of about Rs 11,000 under this head, the year will close with a deficit.

3. In his second letter, which is in reply to the reference made on the first, the Chairman explains how the income from the tax on arts has declined by the operation of the amendment Act, and states that the original demand of the tax stands at Rs 4,126 against an income of Rs 14,000 anticipated in the budget. Allowing some three per cent for remissions on appeal, the net demand will be about Rs 4,000.

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The estimated closing balanc of the budget for 1897-98 being Rs 1450 there will be a deficit Rs 8550: but this will be partl made good by the increase of Rs 2650 in the actual over the estimated opening balance of th year. There will still be a defic of Rs 5900; but the council can meet this by increasing the taxat under the Amendment Act. Ther is no reason why a grant from Provincial funds should be give for this purpose. If, however, it is decided to give this grant, it may be sanctioned from 1·25 lak placed at the disposal of the Loca and Municipal Department under G.O. No 891. Financial, date 18th February 1896, of which Rs 24,693 are still available for allotment.

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× Grants already paid

(1)	Bellary Dt Bd	Rs 4700
(2)	Nilgiris Dt Bd	81000
(3)	Salem do	1000
(4)	Malabar do	10000
(5)	Anantapur Muty	2000
(6)	Mahamakham festival	1607
		100307
	Balance	24693
		18226
		6478

VR
15/10/97

H.O.

I should say not
HS

It will be for Fin. Dept. to decide whether a grant can be given: but I doubt if the Dept shd ask first till taxation be exhausted, the more especially the Water & Drainage tax which has been provided for the very purpose in view.

The reduction under the arts & profession tax in consequence of the alteration in the schedule of under the Amending Act is an instance of the complaints, of which I spoke to the H.M., regarding the effect of that Act.

18/10/97

Quite so — Let them put this on —
RS

This effect was not anticipated.
The question whether we should not retrace our steps. The best plan will be for the Sec: to prepare & circulate a note on the question
RS
21/10/97

VR

Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

Alls.

CURRENT No. 2614 M

Forwarded. There seems to have been considerable delay in sending this in.
C.B. Mounsey
Sub Collr
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16.7.97

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From The Chairman,
Municipal Council
Salem
through the Collector,
Salem.

No. 1216.

Dated 14th July 1897
Received 19 JUL. 1897
Registered 19-7-1897
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Refce ~~Order~~. No. 845 d/ 9.8.97.

The Chairman is requested to report without delay through the Collector, how he calculates that the operation of the District Municipalities Act amendment act III of 1897 will reduce the revenue derived from the profession tax from Rs 14,000 to Rs 3,000 in the Current year.

V.R.
7/8/97

Copy to dept
RB
11/8/97

To The Chairman, M. C. Salem,
thro' the Collector
desp. 13/8/97

SUBJECT.

Requesting sanction for a grant of Rs 5,300 from Provincial funds in connection with the investigation of the Salem Water Supply Scheme.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Extract from the Proceedings of a General Meeting of the Municipal Council of Salem held on the 10th June 1897.

PRESENT.

Chairman

M.R.R. A. Pushpanatha Pillai avergal B.A

Official Councillors

" P. S. Singaravelu Mudaly avergal

Non-officials

Syed Kader Sahib

M.R.R. T. Narasinga Row avergal

" Chetti Muthiamu Chettiar "

" M. Venkatachellapathi Aiya "

Muhamed Sahib

A. Ahamed Sahib

M.R.R. M. Kathirichettiyar avergal

" K. Ramamana Chettiar "

" P. Soobramania Chettiar "

1. Read G.O. No: 1153 M. Mis dated 10th May requesting that a sum of Rs 5.300 may be placed at the disposal of the Public Work Department for the water supply of Salem

Read also letter from the Executive Engineer, Salem Division, requesting to be informed when the funds required for the above will be placed at his dispo

Resolved unanimously that sum of Rs 5.300 be placed at the dispo of the Public Works Department as p Government order, but the Council pray Government to make a grant from Provincial funds in view of the fact that the Municipality will be left with a deficit at the end of the year owing to the introduction of the new Amendment act III of 1897.

Pushpanatham
14.7.97
Chairman

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No. 1216

Salem Municipal office,
Dated 14 July 1897

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
CURRENT No. 2614

FROM

M. R. Ry,

A. PUSHPANATHA PILLAI AVERGAL, B. A.,
Chairman, Municipal Council,
SALEM.

SALEM TREASURY DEPUTY COLLECTOR. RECEIVED. 15 JUL. 97

TO

THE Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal Department
Madras

Enclosure Through
The Collector, of Salem.

SIR,

I have the honor to submit herewith a copy of the resolution of the Municipal Council passed at its meeting held on the 10th June 97, for your information, and to request that Government will be pleased to sanction a grant of Rs 5.300 from Provincial funds in connection with the investigation of the Water Supply Scheme of the Municipality.

2. In the current year's budget an income of Rs 14.000 was expected under the head of tax on Arts. But owing to the introduction of the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884 as amended by Act III of 1897, the Council expects to realise an approximate income of only Rs 3000/under

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this head, and thus there will be a fall of nearly Rs 11.000 at the close of the year which may probably close with a deficit balance.

3. Under these circumstances, I have the honor to request that Government will be pleased to sanction the grant solicited.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servant

A. [illegible]
14-7-97
Chairman

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Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

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C.H. Mounsey
y. Collector
11.9.97

SALEM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
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From The Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem
Through the Collector of Salem.

Order.

No. 1576

Dated 10th September 1897
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SUBJECT.

Reporting the Circumstances under which the revenue derived from the Profession tax has been reduced in the Current year.

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Salem Municipal office,

Dated 10th September 1897

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL

CURRENT No. 3248M

From

M. R. Ry,

A. PUSHPANATHA PILLAI AVERGAL, B. A.,

Chairman, Municipal Council,

SALEM.

To

THE Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department
Madras
through the Collector of
Salem.

Enclosure 1

Sir,

Referring to Official Memorandum No 845 dated 9th August 1897, calling on me to report as to how it is calculated that the operation of the District Municipalities Act Amendment Act III of 1897 will reduce the income derived from the Profession Tax from Rs 14,000 to Rs 3000, I have the honor to report that when the Budget for the current financial year was prepared on the 25th of December 96, it was expected that there would be an income of Rs 14000 under the head of "Tax on Arts" in consideration of the fact that as the actual demand under this head during the past financial year was

was Rs 11 ere would increase in the receipts during the current year due to increased trade, and to strict scrutiny exercised over this branch of work.

2. The introduction of the Amendment Act III of 1897 and the Profession Tax schedule attached thereto have affected the profession tax receipts of this Municipality to a considerable degree, as will be seen from the statement herein enclosed for information, which shows the various classes under which persons have been assessed to the Profession Tax, under the old Act for the past year, and under the Amended Act for the Current year. From this statement it will be seen that 3646 persons have been assessed under class VIII at the rate of One rupee each for 1896-97. These persons are chiefly weavers of whom there is a very large number living in the villages of Gogai, Amapet, Ponnamapet, Arisipalayam and portions of Shevapet within the limits of this Municipality, and these weavers have been hitherto paying One rupee each for possessing either one loom or 2 looms or 3 looms and exercising their profession, irrespective of their income, and these thus contributed to increase the revenue very considerably. But the new Act having fixed the minimum taxable income at Rs 30 a month or Rs 360 a year, it is found on inquiry that the weavers above referred to do not get the minimum taxable income prescribed by law, and these have therefore been entirely left out of account in the current year's list. Further, about 100 persons shewn under class VI who have been paying 3 Rs each on account of certain professions that they exercised are found to be not ~~taxable~~ liable to any tax when their incomes ~~are~~ taken into consideration. This circumstance alone has very materially reduced the finances of this Municipality to the extent of nearly Rs 4000.

At any rate it is difficult if not impossible to prove they do. This was the advantage of a schedule taxing trades as opposed to a schedule taxing incomes

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And yet they paid without demur no doubt while it was really a profession tax

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3. Besides, it will be noticed that in the higher classes too there has been a considerable fall of revenue as compared

paying

with last year as shown below:—

	II class Rs 50		III class Rs 25		IV class Rs 12	
	No	Amount	No	Amount	No	Amount
1896-97	25	1168	81	1926	129	1448
1897-98	5	250	17	425	55	660

The decrease is due to the fact that while last year, Bankers, Sowcars, Contractors, Wholesale traders, Commission Agents, 1st Grade pleaders and 2nd Grade pleaders were taxed Rs 50 or Rs 25 or Rs 12 on account of their profession irrespective of their income, they have now been placed under much lower classes in consideration of the income that they get as such, and the tax that they pay under the Income tax Act. It is for these reasons that there has been a decrease of Rs 7677 as compared with the actual demand of last year, or Rs 9874 as compared with the Budget figure for the current year. When I reported on the 14th July 1897 in this Office letter No 1216, that the Council expects to realize an approximate income of Rs 3000 under the head of Profession Tax, I only made a rough estimate of the income having regard to the provisions of the new Act. The demand (Rs 4126) as now arrived at for the current year is itself subject to alterations owing to reductions on appeal to the Municipal Council, and increase due to new cases being brought to account in the course of the year. Thus it will be seen that this Municipality has suffered very much in its revenue under the Profession Tax in consequence of the fact that weavers who have been a source of large income to the Municipality under the old Act, had to be largely left out of account under the existing law, and of the fact that persons are now taxed on the income that they get, and not on the profession that they exercise.

memo No 845
9-8-97

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

Chairman

Salem Municipality

Statement shewing the classes under which persons have been assessed to the Profession Tax for 1896-97 and 97-98.

ar	I Class. Rs 100.			II Class Rs 50			III Class Rs 25			IV class Rs 12			V Class Rs 6.			VI Class Rs 3.			VII Class Rs 2			VIII Class Re 1.			-			Total		
	No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount					No	Amount	
97	-	-	-	25	1168	-	81	1926	8	129	1448	-	219	1300	8	779	2288	8	27	53	-	3646	3618	8	-	-	-	4906	11,803	-

r	I Class. Rs 100			II Class Rs 75			III Class Rs 50			IV Class 25			V Class Rs 12			VI Class Rs 8			VII Class Rs 4			VIII Class Rs 2			IX Class Re 1			Total		
	No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount		No	Amount	
8	1	100	-	-	-	-	5	250	-	17	425	-	55	660	-	110	880	-	217	868	-	131	262	-	681	681	-	1217	4126	-

Salem Municipal Office
10" September 1897

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Chairman
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