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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following papers:—

G.O., No. 1712, Judicial, dated 24th August 1893.
" " 174, " " 25th January 1895.

ORDER—No. 2552 W., dated 4th October 1898.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has again had under consideration the question of extending to the mofussil the provisions of the Steam-boilers and Prime-movers Act (III of 1893).

2. In the first of the orders read above, all District Magistrates were called upon to report—

- (1) whether it was advisable to extend the Act by notification under section 1 (3) to their several districts; and
- (2) whether a notification under section 14, as to competency of persons in charge of boilers, should also be issued.

3. The following statement gives an abstract of the replies received:—

Name of district.	Number of boilers.	Whether it is advisable to extend the Act.	Whether a notification under section 14 should issue.
1	2	3	4
1. Kurnool ..	1	Not necessary to extend the Act ..	.....
2. Nellore ..	Nil.	Do. do. ..	.....
3. Chingleput ..	1	Do. do. ..	Not necessary.
4. Trichinopoly ..	Nil.	Do. do. ..	.....
5. Ganjam ..	Not given.	Not advisable ..	.....
6. Vizagapatam ..	5	Not expedient ..	Not expedient.
7. Gódvári ..	2	Hardly necessary ..	.....
8. South Arcot ..	3	Not necessary ..	Not necessary.
9. Tanjore ..	5	Not advisable ..	.....
10. Madura ..	3 or 4	Unnecessary ..	.....
11. Malabar ..	27	Do. ..	Not expedient.
12. South Canara ..	15	Do. ..	.....
13. Coimbatore ..	11	Do. ..	Not necessary.
14. Nilgiris ..	Not given.	Do. ..	.....
15. North Arcot ..	3	Do. ..	.....
16. Cuddapah ..	3	Do. ..	Issue of a notification recommended. This is illogical with reference to the remark in column 3.
17. Bellary ..	15	Extension to the towns of Bellary and Adoni recommended.	Recommended.
18. Tinnevelly ..	29	Recommended ..	Do.
19. Salem ..	1	Do. ..	Not necessary for the present.
20. Kistna ..	13	Do. ..	Recommended.
21. Anantapur ..	5	Do. ..	Not necessary.
Total ..	142		

NOTE.—The number of boilers has since increased; 40 per cent. may, perhaps, have to be added for the increase, the increase in Madras for the same period being 60 per cent.

4. It is observed from the above statement that only five districts, viz., 17. Bellary, 18. Tinnevelly, 19. Salem, 20. Kistna and 21. Anantapur, were in favour of the extension of the Act.

5. From the replies received it appeared that if the Act was to be extended to the mofussil at all, then the only districts in which it should be enforced were: 11. Malabar, 12. South Canara, 13. Coimbatore, 17. Bellary, 18. Tinnevelly and 20. Kistna. It also appeared that these districts being so widely separated, the expenditure on the Boiler Inspector's travelling allowance would be considerable. It was accordingly decided that the operation of the Act should be confined in the first instance to the city of Madras where there were at that time 102 boilers.

6. These considerations were based on the number of boilers to be dealt with, but it is, in the opinion of His Excellency the Governor in Council, equally necessary to consider the importance of the boilers in use.

7. As regards the expense of touring, it is observed that the Boiler Inspector since appointed now tours over the greater portion of the Presidency to inspect municipal boilers for purposes of maintenance and repair. The extra expense of touring under the Act will not thus add much to his charges.

8. As regards the necessity for the inspection of boilers under the provisions of the Act, His Excellency the Governor in Council observes that it would appear from the recent report of the Boiler Inspector that there are many boilers now in use which cannot be regarded as safe. It is also understood that, in order to evade the provisions of the Act, cheap and second-hand boilers are now taken from Madras to the mofussil where they are worked at much too high a pressure. It thus seems desirable that the question of extending those provisions of the Act regarding the examination and licensing of boilers should be reconsidered. The opinions of District Magistrates will accordingly be again called for, existing conditions being taken into account, as well as the remarks of the Boiler Inspector recorded in G.O., No. 1741 W., dated 8th July 1898, a copy of which will be furnished to each District Magistrate.

9. The question of introducing the provisions of the Act in regard to the grant of certificates of competency of persons in charge of boilers is being separately considered.

(True Extract.)

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To the Sanitary Engineer.

" the Local and Municipal Department.

" all District Magistrates, with a copy of G.O.,

No. 1741 W., dated 8th July 1898.

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