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[Despatch Abstract.]

Delegation of powers to a Municipal councillor.

Informing the chairman, municipal council, Dindigul that his interpretation of the provision of section 32(4) of the Act regarding the — is incorrect.

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From G. Mengel Esquire
Chairman, Municipal Coun
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In the opinion of Government, the Chairman's view is incorrect.

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P.R.
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SUBJECT.

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To The Chairman M. C. Dindigul, through the Collector of Madura.

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Enclosure to Letter No. 466

Extract from the Proceedings of the Dindigul Municipal Council, passed at a meeting held on the 14th February 1898.

Present:-

G. Mengel Esquire. Chairman
J. W. Short Esquire. Councillor
MRRy P. S. Mohamed Meerathoon Rowther Av. do.
" S. P. Muthu Naick Av. do.
" M. Arockiam Pillay Av. do.
" V. Rama Samy Chetty Av.
" V. S. Pichaimohaideen Rowther Av.
" J. S. Mathar Bava Rowther Av.
" K. Ananthanarayana Iyer Av.
" T. Rajagopaul Naidu garu

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VII. Consent of the Council requi[illegible]

by the Chairman under Sec[illegible]

Police force for th

3 2 (4) of the Municipal Act for delegating his powers to Councillors.

Consent granted subject to the approval of Government with regard to the question as to whether the powers of delegation of Chairman apply to each Chairman personally or only to a period of 3 months in any one year however many Chairman there may be. In the meantime the Chairman can take advantage of any unexpired portion of the 3 months period.

(Signed) G. Mengal
Chairman

(True Extract)

1/1006 M of 1898

Dindigul, M
~~15th February~~ 1898.

No. 466.

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
CURRENT No. 1006/M

From,
G. Mengal Esquire
Chairman, Municipal Council,
Dindigul

To,
The Secretary
to Government
Local & Municipal Departmen
(Through the Sub. Collector & Collector of Madu

Sir,

In submitting an extr from the Proceedings No. $\frac{7}{14-2-98}$ from the Municipal Council pa the Municipal Council at a meeting held on the Instant, I have the ho request you the good enoug obtain the orders of Government on the point raised therein

In my own opinion

of it is the intention of the Legislature to restrict the powers under Section 32 (4) of the Municipal Act to one Chairman only in any one year, although two or more Chairmen may hold office in that year.

3. If the Council is correct in its views this Section gives the full advantage to the Chairman who happens to hold office first such year and no advantage y succeeding Chairman.

4. I am of the opinion that intention of the Act is to e such powers to *any* Chairn, the moment he takes office, ays provided that the same ctioned by Council

the fact of a Chairman taking office in a latter part of a year is no bar to this privilege, although the preceding Chairman may have exercised it to the full.

I have the honour &c.,
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servant

Chairman

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iction
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Police force

R Dis. No. 604/Genl of 1898 (Enc-1)

Submitted.

The Chairman's opinion does not seem to be correct

J. N. Pinkhilu
Ag. Collr
7-3-98

Madura Collector's office
Dated Madura 7 March 1898

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LOCAL AND MUNICI

C. No. 1006-M of 1898.

SUBJECT.

Delegation of Chairman's power to a councillor under section 32(4).

FOR ORDERS.

As observed by the Collector, the Chairman's view does not appear to be correct. In report the proposed amendment of 32(4), the Select Committee on to amend Act IV of 1884, stat "We think that the Chairman's po "to delegate, should not be exercise "for more than three months on the "whole in any year." The restriction thus seems to apply to the power of delegation, which the Chairman possesses, irrespective of the number persons who may hold the office of Chairman in any year.

V.R.
19/3/98

Certainly his view is incorrect
W.
21 3 98

Order No. 5

18th March 97, in the fact of the last year, the

Police force

A separate Staff of
107 sweepers was emp last
in keeping the market to han
Condition. ted perso

8. The processions of the
early every night at my escap
attended them in Com the
Superintendent of Police ance
-tant Messrs Hunt and at

9. The Police arrangem each
were excellent. There is a
nor heavy Crimes except
theft; one of them is reporte
another is under trial reco
Stationary Sub Magist the
lost having been recover
relating to the loss of
under Police investigation

With reference to para
Government Order No 56
16 18th March 97, on the festi
a last year, the str
Police force for the of the
was

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s. Of this number, 4
and 50 Constables only
for Sanitary purposes.
found insufficient for
the many sources of
y in this town, it would
eat advantage, if more
more Head Constables and
could be spared for the

e health was very good.
y cholera were imported
festival day; three
d fatal, and they be-
atch of 5 pilgrims who
Tinnevelly via Trichinopoly,
who was found travelling
isease by rail and de-
the Medical Officers at
way station on the 1st Instant-
valescent stage. The one remain-
was picked up

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spreading was very great. As in last
and wells could hav

(51)

Quite insensible on the Hill road
he got better, he managed to escape
Cholera shed by night with the
Clothing he had on. He is since
to have committed suicide at
Koilur a Station 20 miles from
Tiruvannamalai. There were two or
of sudden death whose causes
not well understood. These were
as suspicious cases, and all neces
precautions to destroy promptly the
Cholera poison were adopted.
Cholera sheds with outhouses

(51) staff and kitchen and two sheds
outhouses &c for the accommodation
of plague - patients were kept ready.
There were 3 extra hospital assistants
to treat the Cholera stricken patients
and to attend to plague cases, should
unfortunately occur. One of the
assistants who was
endorsement on

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al and heartily helped me to perfect
borate Sanitary arrangements
on the lines indicated by Dr King.
Oliver, the Superintending Railway
cian with four medical Subordinates
ied here for almost the whole of the
val and took up the task of conduct-
g quietly the examination of the
grims to detect epidemics, if any.
doors of the Railway Carriages were
cked up at the nearest stations on
ther side of Trinamalai when the trains
proceeded toward it, and the passengers
were examined as they left the Carriage.
I was present at these inspections,
and I am perfectly satisfied that no
inconvenience of any kind was caused
the examination to the passengers;
willingly submitted themsel-
valescent [illegible] was remain-
was picked up

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(6)

Spreading was very great. As in last
year, the tanks and wells could hav
been easily polluted by infected perso
as the supply was deficient. Chole
prevailed in this taluk at a place
about 12 [illegible]. from this town during
the ti[illegible] the festival. At a
such critical juncture Cholera w
actually imported into the town at an
early stage of the festival when th
crowds were gathering. Their prom
segregation and the thorough dis-
-infection of the premises (where in
(4) they were found) coupled with the
other sanitary arrangements have
(5) fairly proved, I think, that in spit
of disadvantages such sanitary
arrangements as indicated by
(7) Dr King, could sufficiently check
and the spread of the disease. The experie
Mem of this year may be taken as suff
ing the crucial test required by
the [illegible] in his endorsement on

4.96 as to the efficacy of these arrangements.
The immunity from this disease during
two previous years when similar
rrangements were adopted by me as
indly advised by Dr. King supports
is view. There were no Cases of plague.

The Cost of the festival arrange-
ents to about 3,200 Rs including
t of the plague sheds put up, and
receipts in the shape of market fees,
ts stand fees, booth Collections and
le proceeds &ca would certainly be
ot below 4700 Rs.

Although I am fully alive to the
defects and difficulties in the actual
carrying out of these arrangements,
yet the Conduct of the festival this
year may be pronounced a Success-
ful one, notwithstanding the
occurrence of few Cholera Cases which
were not of local origin. they were
speedily detected and eradicated
[illegible]

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(7)

Offer [illegible]t thanks to Messrs Ham
and Sandal for the very admirable
Police arrangements made for preser-
ving order and peace, to Surgeon
Major Marsden for his valuable
help and advice to me anent the sa-
nitation of the town, and lastly to
the* marginally named Officers who have heartily
Cooperated with me to
produce the good results
achieved. My thanks
are also due to Captain
Shelly R.E and Dr. Oliver
for their ready Cooperation in
the matter of the inspection
of pilgrims, for providing
very large shed at the station
at a cost of 500 Rs for
accommodating the
pilgrims and for infor-
mation of arrivals in
Dep. Stores furnished to me
[illegible]

* Messrs
(1) C. Krishnaswamy Iyer
Tahsildar (an excellent officer)
(2) V. Rungaswamy Iyer
Stationary Sub Magistrate.
Koomarswamy Pillai
and Mahomad Khan, Police
Inspectors.
(4) Moothuswamy Pillai
Civil Apothecary
(5) Koman Menon and
Joseph, Hospital assistants.
(6) Venkat Rao, Railway
Police Inspector
(7) Appaswami Naidu
and Arunagiri Moodely,
Municipal Councillors.

read Comm

Dr. Morsden's endorsement received
y me rather late is herein enclosed.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Md Raza Khan
Sub Collector and Joint
Magistrate

of 1898.

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2. The arrangements were made with care and were evidently carried out Mr Raza Khan with the zeal and ener shown by him on two former occasion The result achieved by that officer (w on this occasion by the District Sa lary Officer) is most creditable. The fact that cholera was imported bu did not spread to the pilgrims, show that the measures taken were prompt and efficient. This now makes th third year that cholera has not been spread from this festival to other parts of the Presidency. A comparison of conditions in 1894 and the succeeding yea (G.O. No: 700 L dated 9th April 1896) ought to go to prove that, if lives ha any monetary value in this country, the expenditure of Rs 3,200 was an effort of well-directed economy.

W G King

Office of Sanitary Commissioner
Fort St George 2st Feby 1898

Surgeon-Lieut-Colonel
Sanitary Commissioner
for Ma

port on the Karthigay festival held at Tiru amalai South Arcot District from 28th November to 7th ber 1897

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and where held	Karthigay festival Tiruvannamalai
Date of festival	From 28th November to 7th December 1897
Number assembled	About 80,000
Accommodation and Sanitary arrangements made.	Matams, mantapams, chattrums and houses are available in the town; as there was no rain during the greater part of the festival some of the people stopped in topes adjoining the town. As usual the following sheds were put up:- two cholera sheds, with a kitchen and a toty shed attached, to accommodate about 8 males and 4 females in each; two sheds for yanathees and toties who were brought in specially for service for the festival; two sheds for visitors and cattle dealers at the Cattle market, four sheds for officials and Police, and 5 sheds for Hospital pounds. This year in addition to the above ones, two other isolation sheds with an attendant and kitchen sheds attached, were erected to the east of the railway station one for the segregation of passengers from plague stricken places and the other for the "suspects" from such areas.
Water-Supply	All the tanks in the town and those on the hill road were either reserved for "drinking" or "special bathing" or "ordinary bathing" purposes or "closed" for public use and were carefully guarded by the Police. The special bathing tank "Iyen Kolum" was as usual barricaded temporarily and a few holy stones and tins were kept on the platform and the people were allowed to bathe in the tank itself only after a bath outside and washing their clothes first on the platform. All drinking water wells (about 31) were protected by parapet walls. There were sign boards hung up in the vernaculars to that effect. All drinking water tanks and public wells [illegible] wells were hankinized every 3rd night in turns, and the bathing tanks [illegible] Chunam process.
Conservancy	The sanitary arrangements were as elaborate as during the last two years. The conservancy staff in the town, when the festival was in its full swing, consisted of 4 certificated Sanitary Inspectors, 3 sanitary maistries, 8 peons, 103 toties, 62 sweepers 13 rubbish carts and 32 stretcher bearers and at the cattle market one certificated Sanitary Inspector, 12 peons, 11 toties, 107 sweepers and 15 rubbish carts. The staff at the cattle market worked for 7 days only (3rd to 9th December). Each of the five blocks of the town was under a certificated sanitary Inspector or sanitary maistry with sufficient number of carts and sweepers, toties &c according to the importance of the block and worked for five days before and after the festival. Latrines. There were 72 temporary bamboo tatty latrines this year with one on the modified Jewish system:- 63 in the town, 7 at the cattle market and two at Adiannamalai. There is one pucka built latrine at the bandy stand opposite the Hospital. Trench system was introduced in all the temporary latrines which were freely used by the public. Signboards were hung up with male and female pictures. 50 Constable and 4 Head Constables were deputed this year to the Sanitation staff to watch tanks and prevent nuisances. Each of the isolation sheds for cholera cases was in charge of an Hospital assistant, & had a ward attendant and two toties and all necessary medicines, stimulants, cumblies, disinfectants, medical comforts &c were kept in readiness at the sheds. Another Hospital Assistant, assisted by the railway medical subordinates, was deputed to inspect the passengers in all the incoming trains with instructions to be in charge of the plague sheds if occasion should arise. The midwife of the Municipal Hospital was also made to attend to all the trains to inspect the female passengers.
Epidemics	There were only 5 cases of cholera with 3 deaths; these were all imported cases. 3 of these [illegible] came from [illegible] among one from Tinnevelly district and the fifth was admitted with secondary fever after cholera, the patient being attacked with it on the 25th November last while at Coromandel gold mines. There were also two suspected cases of death one at the cattle market the other in the town. The disappearance of cholera after these cases which allayed the apprehensions entertained a few days before the festival, is largely due to the prompt detection and segregation of all such cases and to efficient sanitary arrangement made.
General Health	good
Recommendations	As the sanitary police was withdrawn so early as the second day ~~of~~ after the festival I beg to suggest that these may be retained for at least five days after the last day of the festival and the number should be increased also. All public wells should be provided with a common bucket and rope. A female attendant at the cholera sheds is also necessary. Early arrangements should be made to supply the town with pure drinking water. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer South Arcot was here throughout the festival.
Remarks	[illegible] at Tiruvannamalai the 22/12/97 [illegible]

nicipal Hospital
uvannamalai
12 December 1897

Ramasawmy
Civil Apothecary

No 8098. Forwarded to the Sub Collector, South Arcot.

2. I was present throughout the festival & can gladly say that the sanitary arrangements made by the local authorities were excellent & the results highly satisfactory. There was no outbreak of infectious disease and the few cases of cholera that occurred were imported ones; the prompt measures taken for the segregation & for disinfection, &c prevented any spread of the disease.

3. The assistance rendered by the Supt. & Physician, S.I.R., & his staff of subordinates in inspecting all the railway passengers, was invaluable.

4. The number of police constables deputed for sanitary duties was inadequate; it should be doubled next year. At least 20 men are needed to guard the "Iyan Kolum" bathing tank alone & every source of water supply should be effectually guarded.

5. The permanent water-supply arrangement for the town and for the Cattle market, recommended last year, as well as the construction of permanent isolation sheds with cemented floors, should be carried out as soon as possible.

[illegible] Sanitary Officer 16/12/97