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[Despatch Abstract.]

Municipal Council

Approving the Collector's proposal to divide the Masulipatam Municipality into wards for electoral purposes, and stating that the necessary notification regarding the division will be published with the election rules.

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Order No. 788 M. Mis dated 21/4/98.

The Collector's proposal in para. 1 of his letter is approved. The necessary notification regarding the division of the town into wards for electoral purposes will be published with the election rules which will be issued shortly

V.R
16/4/98

18-4-98

From The Collector of Kistna

No. Dis 732/Scy of 1897

Dated 22. 7. 1897.
Received 30. 7. 1897.
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SUBJECT.

Submitting the information called for in G.O. No. 68M. dated 20th January 1897 regarding the division of Masulipatam town into wards for electoral purposes.

To The Chairman, M.C. Masulipatam L+D
The Collr. of Kistna P+D

Despd 23/4/98

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Please return this to me after despatch.
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To lie over pending the amendment of the election rules which will be taken up shortly. 24/9/

V.R. 20/9/97

CURRENT No. 2748 M.

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From The Collector, Kistna.

No.

Dated 22nd July, 1897.

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OFFICE
OF THE
COLLECTOR & MAGISTRAT
MASULIPATAM,
KISTNA DISTRICT.
22nd July 1897

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
No. 2748M

FROM,

J K Batten Esquire,
Acting Collector, Kistna District.

To,

The ~~Chief~~ Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,
Fort St. George.

SIR,

In reply to para 2 of G.O. No 68 dated 20th January 1897, I have the honor to state that th municipal town of Masulipatam was divided into seven wards and their revised boundaries were sanctioned in G.O. No 1915 dated 11th December 1894, Local and Municipal, and published in the District Gazette dated 12th January 1895. I do not think that these wards require further revision at present and they may, therefore, stand as they are.

2. A map showing the boundaries of the wards in question, and a statement showing the population, the predominating castes and the number of voters in each ward together with a note as to the number of elective seats that may be allotted to each ward, are forwarded.

3. Draft election rules received from the Chairman

Chairman are also forwarded.

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

For Collector.

I.d.
26/7/97
Compd
26-7-97

Rules for election

1. For electoral purposes the Masulipatam Municipality shall be divided into 7 wards. The number of elected Councillors for each ward shall be as shown in the schedule.

2. No person shall be entitled to vote unless he has been registered under these rules as a voter.

3. The following persons shall be entitled to have their names registered as voters:-

(a) Every owner of houses or lands situated within the limits of the Municipality paying a house or land tax or aggregate house and land taxes, amounting to Rs. 3-12-0 per annum & upwards.

(b) All persons paying a profession-tax of Rs. 3 per annum and upwards.

(c) All persons paying income-tax.

(d) All Government pensioners drawing Rs. 15 per mensem and upwards.

(e) All persons drawing a salary of Rs. 30 per mensem and upwards.

(f) All persons who pay a house-rent of Rs. 3 per mensem and upwards.

(g) All graduates of any recognized university.

Provided that no person shall be entitled to have his name registered as a voter under this rule unless he has been resident in the ward or possessed of the necessary property qualification under clause (a) in the town for at least six months immediately preceding the day of publication of the register of voters.

Note.- The word "persons" in clauses (b) and (c) above includes all Companies or Associations or bodies of individuals, whether incorporated or not. The votes of such Companies may be given by the Secretary of the Company or by any partner or agent whose name the Company shall cause to be entered in the Municipal register.

4. The following persons are disqualif
from being registered as voters:-

(a) Persons who are less than 21 years o

(b) Persons who have been convicted
any such offence or subjected by a
criminal Court to any such order
as implies a defect of character.

(c) Persons of unsound mind & deaf-mutes.

5. The following persons shall be qualified for election as Councillors:-

(a) Every owner of houses or lands situated within the limits of the Municipality who is liable to pay a house or land-tax, or aggregate house and land taxes, amounting to Rs. 7-8-0 per annum and upwards, provided that such ownership is evidenced by registration in the Municipal books.

(b) All persons paying a profession-tax of Rs. 25 per annum and upwards.

(c) All persons paying income-tax.

(d) All Government pensioners drawing Rs. 30 per mensem and upwards.

(e)

) All persons drawing a salary of Rs. 60 per mensem and upwards.

(f) All persons paying a house-rent of Rs. 10 per mensem and upwards.

(g) All graduates of any recognized university.

Provided that no person shall be eligible for election unless he has been resident in the town for at least six months immediately preceding the publication of the list of candidates.

6. The following persons are disqualified for election:-

(a) All persons under the age of 25 years.

(b) All persons who have been convicted of any such offence or subjected by a criminal Court to any such order as implies a defect of character.

(c) All persons of unsound mind and deaf-mutes.

(d) All persons who are clerks or ser of the Council.

(e) All persons of the female sex.

(f) All servants of Government who have been dismissed for miscondu provided the order of dismissa prohibits their further employmen in the public service.

(g) All persons holding any municipal contract.

7. The Municipal Council shall appoint persons to draw up the list of persons entitled to vote in each ward. On or before such date as shall be determined by the Municipal Council with the sanction of the Governor in Council, such persons shall deliver to the Chairman of the Council a list of all persons entitled to be registered as voters in each ward.

A person may be registered in more lists than one, provided he has the requisite property qualification under clause (a) of ule 3 in each ward. A person who ays the requisite amount of taxes o entitle him to be an elector, but has his property scattered over more than one ward may be registered for any one such ward as he may elect.

8. The chairman shall cause a copy of the list of electors for each ward to be fixed up in the ward in a Conspicuous position, and all the lists shall be affixed outside the Municipal office within 10 days of the date determined in accordance with rule No. 7 and shall continue so affixed for two months.

9. A person desiring that his name shall be entered in the list of persons entitled to vote for any ward, may apply in writing to the Chairman of the Council within three weeks after the lists have been affixed under the rule last preceding, and any person objecting to the entry of any name in the list may lodge an objection thereto in writing with the Chairman within the same period.

10. Such claims and objections, if any, shall be decided at a meeting of the Council to be held after the expiry of the period mentioned in rule No. 9 and within 35 days of the date on which the lists are affixed to the Municipal office as directed in rule No. 8. At this meeting the

persons claiming to have their names entered or objecting to the entry of any name shall be entitled to be heard, and any person whose name is on the list shall be allowed to object to any claim or to reply to any objection. Intimation of such meeting shall be given by a notice affixed to the Municipal Office at least 7 days before such meeting is held.

11. Subject to any correction subsequently ordered by the Collector of the district, the orders passed by the Municipal Council under rule No. 10 shall be final.

12. The Collector may, at any time within one month after the meeting held under rule No. 10, or if in consequence of the absence of claims or objections presented under rule No. 9 no such meeting is held, within 65 days after the date on which the lists are affixed at the Municipal office as directed in rule No. 8 for reasons which he shall record in writing, direct the Chairman of the Municipal Council to insert in, or remove from, the list of electors for any ward the name of any person, upon which the Chairman shall at once give notice accordingly to the persons affected.

13. The ward lists of electors shall be held to be completed, and

shall come into operation one month from the date of the meeting held in accordance with the provisions of rule No. 10, or if in consequence of the absence of claims or objections presented under rule No. 9 no such meeting is held, within 65 days after the date on which the lists are affixed at the Municipal office as directed in rule No. 8 and shall continue in operation for twelve months, or if the Government so directs, until fresh lists are completed under these rules.

14. The persons making the ward lists of electors shall at the same time complete the lists of persons qualified to be elected. Such lis shall be prepared, corrected and published within the dates specif in rules Nos. 7 to 13, and shall be amended where necessary in the same manner as the lists of voters.

15. Elections shall be held as vacancies in elective seats occur, the choice of the particular ward where they should begin being left to the Collector in case the vacancy does not occur in any particular ward.

16. The day on which, the hours at which, and the place where votes shall be taken shall be decided upon by the Council at a meeting to be held not more than 15 days

before or after the occurrence of each vacancy. The day of election shall not be deferred more than two months from the date of such meeting without the speical sanction of Government.

17. Twenty days before the day of election, the chairman of the Council shall prepare and sign a notice thereof, stating the number of persons to be elected in each ward, the day on which, the hours during which, and the place where, if there be a poll, the votes of the electors will be taken, the date w[illegible] which nominations must be submitted, and the person by whom the nominations will be received. Such notice shall be affixed in a Conspicuous positio at not less than three different places in each of the wards into which the Municipality has been divided.

18. Every candidate shall be nominate by at least two electors, in the following form, at least 16 days before the date of the election:—

Municipality of

Election for the ward of to be
held on
day of

We, the undersigned,

the underment[illegible] as candidat[illegible]

put[illegible], in order to hear any objections which may be made to that list. Such objections may be put forward by any registered voter in writing. The Chairman shall give his decision on every such objection in writing, which decision shall be final, unless, within one week of giving the same, a petition for revision be put in before the Collector. in such case, the Collector's decision shall be final. In case the objection is allowed, the decision of the Chairman shall be communicated to the candidate affected thereby.

21. Three days before the election, the Chairman shall prepare a Schedule of valid nominations of Candidates for election in each ward, and publish the same by affixing one Copy to the Municipal office and one Copy i a Conspicuous position in the war

22. (a) If the number of valid nominat exceeds that of the vacancies, a pol shall be taken of the ward on the day of the election in the manner hereinafter provided.

(b) If the number of valid nominations is the same or less than that of the vacancies, the person or persons nominated shall be deemed to have been elected.

22-A. Any candidate whose name is included in the list of valid nominations published under rule 21 may withdraw at any time before the close of the poll by a written and signed paper

to be presented to the chairman
if the poll has not commenced,
or to the polling officer if it has.
The chairman shall then remove
the candidates name from the
list of candidates in recording
the result of the election under
rule 31.

23. In the case of a poll at an
election, the chairman shall appoint
a member of the Council who is
neither a Councillor for the ward
of which the poll is to be taken
nor a registered voter in it,
to be polling officer at the time
f the election. It shall be the
[illegible] polling off[illegible] see

that the [illegible] secured to
absolute Secrecy, that only electors
are admitted to the polling booths,
and that persons who have recorded
their votes leave immediately.

24. The votes shall be given by ballot.

25. The ballot of each elector shall
Consist of a paper, supplied at
the polling office, on which the
number of vacancies to be filled
and the names of the candidates
for election whose nominations
have been included in the
nomination schedule for his ward
under rule No. 21 shall be printed

or legibly w tten. T elector shall score out the name or names of candidates for whom he does not vote, retaining the name or names of candidates, not exceeding the number of persons to be elected, for whom he votes.

26. The elector shall sign or mark the ballot paper, below the name or names that are retained therein, in the presence of the polling-officer, who shall take care that the paper shows in a legible manner the name and number of the elector or other description suf ent to show his identity.

27. Any ballot paper which is not signed or marked in the way required by rule no 26, or on which the names of more candidates are retained than there are persons to be elected, shall be invalid.

28. When a person presents himself to vote, the polling officer shall satisfy himself that he has a right to vote in the ward in question, and has not already voted.

29. The elector shall give his vote by placing his ballot paper, folded, in the ballot box, which shall be so constructed that the ballot paper can be introduced but not

extracted without the box being unlocked. The ballot boxes shall be securely sealed, and certified by the Chairman of the Council, in writing, to be empty before being entrusted to the polling officer.

30. At the close of the poll, the polling officer, in the presence of such of the candidates or their agents as may be present, shall sign the following certificate:-

"Certified that the election for the
ward was held this day of
at in my presence, and was
Conducted in accordance with the rules.

(Signed)

Date. Polling officer."

and securely seal and personally deliver the ballot box to the Chairman of the Council at the Municipal office.

31. On receipt of the ballot box from the polling officer, the Chairman of the Municipal Council shall, in the presence of two Councillors, who shall be either nominated Councillors or members for some ward other than that in which the election has been held, open the ballot box and Count the votes, checking the same by the register of electors, and shall record the result under his -

signature witnessed by the signatures of the two Municipal Councillors present. The ballot papers shall then be forwarded to the Collector and sealed up by him under his seal, and may not again be opened except under his orders and in his presence. These papers may be destroyed six months after the date of the election, provided the inquiry (if any) into the validity of the election has by that time been concluded and final orders passed.

31. A. A candidate who has been duly elected may withdraw (in writing to the Chairman) before his appointment is gazetted under rule 34. In such cases rule 22 shall apply, and the candidate who obtains the next highest number of votes shall, subject to the provisions of rules 32 and 33, be deemed to have been elected.

32. In cases where there may have been an equality of votes for any two or more candidates, the candidates shall, in the presence of the Chairman, cast lots as to who shall fill the vacancy.

33. If a person be elected for more than one ward, he shall choose within one week of the election for which ward he will sit as

member, and in default of such decision the Collector shall forthwith declare the ward for which such person shall serve. In the other ward, or each of the other wards, as the case may be, the person who has obtained the next largest number of votes shall be deemed to have been elected.

34. Upon the expiration of the period mentioned in rule No. 35, if there have been no objections raised under rule No. 36, the names of the Candidates duly elected shall be forwarded to Government for publication in the Fort St. George Gazette, and until such publication, the Candidates shall not enter on their functions as Municipal Councillors.

35. The validity of any election may be questioned by a petition put in before the Collector by any Candidate at the election, or by at least ten electors within 15 days after the day on which the election was held.

36. The Collector shall then proceed to enquire into the validity of the election held, which may only be questioned on the ground—

(a) that fraud, intimidation

or bribery was practised at such election;

(b) that the person whose election is questioned was, at the time the election was held, not qualified as a Candidate;

(c) that he was not duly elected by a majority of votes.

37. At the Conclusion of the enquiry, the Collector shall make a report to Government, which will pass orders on the matter.

Chairman
M.C
Masulipatam

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Schedule

Name of Municipality	Number and name of wards	Boundaries or other description of wards.	Number of elected Councillors for each ward
Masulipatam	No. I. ward	North - Sultanagaram swamp East - Inuguduru road limits of Jalal petta and Ullankipalem South - old canal now closed and navigation canal. West - Mangaleru.	1
	No. II ward	North - Sultanagaram swamp East - Hyderabad road. South - Sadak's road. West - Inuguduru road.	1
	No. III ward.	North - Sadak's road East - Portion of Fort road and limits of Aravagudem, Buttayapet and Robertson's petta. South - Navigation canal West - Portion of Inuguduru road, limits of Inuguduru and Oakes petta.	1

Masulipatam	No. IV ward	North - Eadapalli Swamp East - Church road South - Cantonment road. West - Hyderabad road	1
	No. V. ward	North - Cantonment road. East - Portion of Church road and limits of Chilakkalapudi South - Malakapatnam swamp West - Portion of Fort road and limits of Pataramanapetta & Khojillipetta	2
	No. VI ward.	North - Machavaram Swamp. East - Chilakkalapudi Swamp South - Kara Swamp west - Church road and limits of French petta & Bachupetta.	1
Masulipatam	No. VII ward	Comprises the Fort, bounded on the south by the Masulipatam canal and on the other sides by the old Moat and the village of Gilakaladindi, bounded on the west by the canal and on the other sides by the swamp.	1

Chairman
M.C.
Masulipatam

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List of wards.

Name of Municipality	Number & name of wards	Names of pettas in each ward	Population of each ward
Masulipatam	No. I.	Sivaganga, Kalakkhanpetta, Chintaguntapalam, Cakespetta, Inugudurru, Ballalagudum, Varragudum, Dasayapetta and Vandrazugudum.	5637
	No. II.	Thornhillpetta, Anespetta Godugupet and Rajupetta.	5967
	No. III	Nurrudeenpetta, Fathurlabada, Jalalapetta, Vullankipallam, Mustakkhanpetta, Javarupetta, Sarikillepetta, Khajjellapetta, Meersalapetta, & Vataramanapetta.	6850
	No. IV.	Chamanagerepetta, Balaramunpet, Nizampetta, Rustumbada, Edapalle, Anandapetta, Upparagudum & Narayanapuram.	3839
	No. V.	Arvagudum, Malkapatnam, Buttayapetta, Ramanayudupetta, Chathiravupalam, Robertsonpet, Englishpalam, Police Lines, Frenchpetta, Embarayaagraharam Bachupetta & Sukkurlabada.	8703

No. VI.	Chilakalapudi, Machavaram, Valandapalam & Regimental line	3116
No. VII.	Fort & Gilakaladendy	2645

Chairman
M.C

9/11/91

No. of wards in the plan	Names of Pettahs Comprising in each ward	No. of population in each ward	Name or Names of predominating caste residing in wards.	~~No. of~~ Approximate No of Voters	No. of elective seats that may be allotted to each ward	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Sivaganga, Kalakhanpet, Chintaguntapalem Cakespet, Inuguduru, Ballalagudum, [illegible] Dasaripet & Pandrazugudum.	5637	Mohammedans	450	1	

No. VI.	Chilakalapudi, Machavaram, Valandapalam & Regimental line	3116
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Chairman
M.C.

6/11/97

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2	Thornhillpet, Anespet, Godugupet & Rajupet.	5967	Brahmins	408	1	
3	Nuruddeenpet, Kathurlabada, Jalalapet, Vullankipalem, Mustakhanpet, Javarapet, Sarekillepet, Khajjellepet, Meerasalapet, Pataramanapet and Mundulagudem	6655	Komaties	118	1	
4	Chamanagorepet, Balaramunepet, Nizampet, Rustumbada, Edapalle, Anandapet, Vupparagudem and Narayanapuram.	4139	Valamas & Telagas	399	1	
5	Arvagudem, Malkapatnam, Buttayapet, Ramanayudupet, Chakkiravupalam, Robertsonpet, Englishpalam, Police line, Frenchpetta, Embarayya agraharam, Bachupetta & Sukarlabada.	10303	Komaties & other Hindus	435	2	