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Imperial Legislative Council.

Soliciting the orders of the Government of India as to the interpretation of rule V (a) of the rules for the nomination of Additional Members to the —, and asking whether voting by letter can be allowed.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper:—

G.O., Mis. No. 8, Legislative, dated 2nd February 1895.

Read—the following paper:—

From J. M. MACPHERSON, Esq., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Legislative Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 24th January 1895, No. 160.

The Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, B.A., B.L., Rai Bahadur, who was appointed to the Council of the Governor-General for the purpose of making Laws and Regulations on the recommendation of the Non-Official Additional Members of the Council of the Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, having tendered his resignation of his seat as an Additional Member of the Governor-General's Council, and his resignation having been accepted by the Governor-General, I am directed to ask that, in accordance with Rule IV of the Regulations published in the Notification of the Government of India in the Legislative Department No. 19, dated the 23rd June 1893, the Members of the Local Council above described may be requested to recommend another person for nomination by His Excellency the Governor-General in view to the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, B.A., B.L., Rai Bahadur, being filled.

Order—Mis. No. 8, Legislative, dated 2nd February 1895.

The Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, B.A., B.L., Rai Bahadur, appointed an Additional Member of the Governor-General's Council having resigned his seat and his resignation having been accepted by the Governor-General, the Non-Official Additional Members of the Madras Legislative Council will be requested to meet after the conclusion of the Legislative Council meeting to be held at the Council Chamber at 3 P.M. on Friday the 15th instant and to recommend a gentleman for nomination in his place.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

Read—also the following papers:—

From A. BUTTERWORTH, Esq., I.C.S., Under Secretary to Government, Legislative Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 15th February 1895.

In accordance with G.O., No. 8, Legislative, dated 2nd February 1895, a meeting of Non-Official Additional Members of Council was held to-day for the purpose of electing a successor to the Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, Rai Bahadur.

2. There were present the Hon'ble P. Rangayya Nayudu, the Hon'ble A. Sabhapati Mudaliyar, the Hon'ble K. Kalyanasundram Aiyar, the Hon'ble C. Sankaran Nayar, the Hon'ble Ghulam Muhammad Hasan Ali Khan Bahadur and the Hon'ble Mr. Arbuthnot—six Members in all.

3. The Hon'ble Mr. Arbuthnot having been voted to the chair, the Hon'ble K. Kalyanasundram Aiyar proposed the name of Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Charlu. The Hon'ble C. Sankaran Nayar seconded the proposal and five votes were recorded in favour thereof. The Hon'ble G. Muhammad Hasan Ali did not vote.

4. Rule V (a) of the rules framed under sub-section (4) of section 1 of the Indian Councils Act, 1892 (G.O., No. 83, Legislative, dated 5th August 1893), declares that recommendations to fill vacancies in the Governor-General's Council shall be made, in the case of the Non-Official Additional Members of a Local Council, by a majority of votes of such Members. There are now twelve Non-Official Members on the Council and the rule therefore seems to require that Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Charlu must secure at least seven votes before his name can be submitted to His Excellency the Governor-General.

5. The question has, however, been raised whether rule V (a) requires an *absolute* majority and whether a candidate who secures the votes of more than half the Members present at the meeting held for the purpose of making an election is not eligible for nomination to the Council of the Governor-General. The Non-Official Members present at the meeting held to-day have little doubt that rule V (a) requires an *absolute* majority, but they have instructed me to refer the matter for the orders of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

6. Assuming that the Government will hold that Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Charlu has not been elected, the Non-Official Members desire that they should not be called upon to meet again. They point out that the rules do not require that votes shall be recorded at a meeting and they suggest that I should be directed to invite by letter the votes of those Non-Official Members who were not present to-day. If this is done, and if two more Members vote for Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Charlu, his name can then be reported to His Excellency the Governor-General.

From the Hon'ble K. KALYANASUNDRAM AIYAR Avargal, Additional Member, Madras Legislative Council, to the Under Secretary to Government, Legislative Department, dated Tanjore, 18th February 1895.

With reference to the proceedings of the meeting of the Non-Official Members of the Madras Legislative Council held in the Council Chamber on the 15th instant for the purpose of electing a Member to the Imperial Legislative Council, I beg that you will invite His Excellency's attention to the wording of rule V (a) of the notification of the Government of India in the Legislative Department, dated 23rd June 1893, No. 19.

2. What is evidently required for a proper election is "a majority of votes of such Members," and not "the votes of the majority of such Members." It would thus seem that in this case the votes of a clear or absolute majority of the Non-Official Members are not required. If all the Members have had an opportunity of voting, and if one candidate has secured more votes than another, or any of the others, such candidate must be held to have been properly elected.

3. Applying this test to the present case I am humbly of opinion that the proceedings that took place on the 15th instant are enough to render Mr. Anantha Charlu's election complete and valid without more.

ORDER—No. 11, Legislative, dated 20th February 1895.

The following letter will be despatched to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

LETTER—from the Hon'ble Mr. J. F. PRICE, C.S.I., Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, Legislative Department, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Legislative Department, dated 20th February 1895, No. 12.

On the 15th instant the Non-Official Members of the Madras Legislative Council met to recommend, as requested in your letter No. 160, dated 24th January 1895, a person for nomination by His Excellency the Governor-General in place of the Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, Rai Bahadur.

2. There are now twelve non-officials on the Local Council and of these only six attended the meeting. One of the Members who attended did not vote; the rest recorded votes in favour of M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu, Rai Bahadur.

3. The question has been raised whether M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu's name can be submitted to His Excellency the Governor-General for nomination. Rule V (a) of the rules framed under sub-section (4) of section 1 of the Indian Councils Act, 1892, declares that recommendations to fill vacancies in the Council of the Governor-General shall be made, in the case of the Non-Official Additional Members of a Local Council, by a majority of votes of such members. If this rule means, as is probable, that no person shall be recommended unless he secures the votes of a majority of the Non-Officials at the time being on the Council, then M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu has not secured a sufficient number of votes. If, on the other hand, the rule merely requires a majority of the votes of the members who assemble to vote, the gentleman in question may now be recommended to His Excellency the Governor-General for nomination to his Council. I am directed to solicit the orders of the Government of India in the matter.

4. Another question which has been raised is whether, if M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu has not been elected, the votes of those Non-Official Members who were not present at the meeting on the 15th instant can now be obtained by letter. The rules do not expressly declare that the voting must be made at a meeting of the Non-Official Members and there seems, therefore, no objection to the issue of a circular to these Non-Official Members who have not yet voted asking them to name the persons for whom they desire to vote. I am directed to request that this Government may be favoured with the views of the Government of India on this point also.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.Os., Nos. 11, 12, LEGISLATIVE, DATED 20TH FEBRUARY 1895.

[SUBJECT.—*Interpretation of rule V (a) of the Rules for the nomination of Additional Members of the Governor-General's Council.*]

From the Government of India, Legislative Department, dated 24th January 1895, No. 160.

A draft order is submitted.

2. The Bill to repeal the Tobacco Duties Act must be passed and assented to by the Governor-General and his assent published before the 15th March from which date it is to come into force. The earliest date on which it can be taken into consideration is the 7th February (rule 46); that is a Thursday. If the Legislative Council is to meet on the 12th February (Tuesday) notice should issue at once, because, questions cannot be admitted after the 5th idem.

3. If the Bill to repeal Regulation VI of 1831 is published in vernacular and English in the Gazette of the 12th February (certainly the earliest date possible) and, if Government decides that the changes made in it by the second Select Committee are not of sufficient importance to necessitate postponement of the measure till the Secretary of State has had an opportunity to express an opinion thereon, then that Bill can be taken into consideration on the 6th March; the 6th March is a Wednesday, so the 12th (Tuesday) would be a more convenient date for the meeting to consider that measure. But the 12th March would be too late for the Tobacco Duties Bill.

4. It would probably be convenient to the Non-Official Members to hold their meeting to select a successor to the Hon'ble Bhashyam Aiyangar after a Legislative Council meeting; so that it seems advisable to fix the next Council meeting now. It must be some day between the 12th and the 20th February or there will be a difficulty about the Tobacco Duties Bill. Perhaps Friday the 15th would be best; Tuesday the 19th will give very little time to get and publish the Governor-General's assent to the Act.

A. BUTTERWORTH—30-1-95.

J. F. PRICE—31-1-95.

I think Friday the 15th at 3 P. M. would be the best day. It will take the Non-Official Members a little time to choose a man.

W[ENLOCK]—31-1-95.

H. W. B[LISS]—2-2-95.

J. G[ROSE]—2-2-95.

[G.O., No. 8, Legislative, dated 2nd February 1895.]

From the Under Secretary to Government, dated 15th February 1895.

Rule V (a) seems to require a majority of the whole of the Non-Official Members and not only of those attending the meeting and voting and there is nothing in the rules requiring votes to be taken at a meeting only.

J. F. PRICE—16-2-95.

*From the Hon'ble Kalyanasundram Aiyar, Additional Member, Legislative Council,
dated 18th February 1895.*

Submitted in continuation of previous papers. The Hon'ble K. Kalyanasundram's argument does not appear to be valid.

A. BUTTERWORTH—19-2-95.

Refer the case to India, and ask for orders.

W[ENLOCK]—19-2-95.

H. W. B[LISS]—19-2-95.

J. G[ROSE]—19-2-95.

And ask whether voting by letter can be permitted.

J. F. PRICE—19-2-95.

A draft is placed below.

A. BUTTERWORTH—19-2-95.

J. F. PRICE—20-2-95.

[G.Os., Nos. 11, 12, Legislative, dated 20th February 1895.]

Govt. of {1895} Madras.

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G.O., 22nd March 1895, No. 21.

MARCH.

Imperial Legislative Council.

Communicating to the non-official Additional Members of the Local Legislative Council letter from the Government of India stating that an absolute majority of members entitled to vote is essential, and requesting them to meet again at 11-30 A.M. on the 8th April next for selecting a successor to the Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, Rai Bahadur.

22ND MARCH 1895, No. 21, LEGISLATIVE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 20th February 1895, Nos. 11 and 12, Legislative.

ABSTRACT.—Soliciting the orders of the Government of India as to whether, having regard to Rule V (a) of the rules for the nomination of Additional Members in the Governor-General's Council, an absolute majority of the members entitled to vote is essential, and asking whether voting by letter can be allowed.

READ—also the following papers :—

Telegram from the Government of India, Legislative Department, dated 17th March 1895.

From J. M. MACPHERSON, Esq., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Legislative Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 15th March 1895, No. 623.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, Legislative Department, No. 12, dated 20th February 1895, in which, after stating that at a meeting of six of the twelve non-official Additional Members of the Legislative Council of the Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, five voted in favour of recommending M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu, Rai Bahadur, for nomination by His Excellency the Governor-General as an Additional Member of the Governor-General's Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, B.A., B.L., Rai Bahadur, orders are solicited as to whether, having regard to Rule V (a) of the rules for the nomination of Additional Members in the said Council, M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu can be held to have been duly recommended. Enquiry is at the same time made as to whether the votes of the non-official Additional Members of the Local Council who did not attend the meeting referred to can now be obtained by letter if the recommendation of the majority of those who did attend in favour of M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu cannot be accepted.

2. In reply I am desired to state that the Governor-General in Council is of opinion that, in the case of such recommendations, an absolute majority of the members entitled to vote is essential, and that it would not be proper now to obtain by letter the votes of the members who did not attend the meeting at which M.R.Ry. P. Anantha Charlu purported to be elected. I am accordingly to request that the Governor in Council will take the necessary steps to cause a fresh election to be made by the non-official Members of the Local Council.

ORDER—dated 22nd March 1895, No. 21, Legislative.

Communicated to the non-official Additional Members of the Council with the request that they will, if convenient, meet again for the purpose of selecting a successor to the Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, Rai Bahadur, at 11-30 A.M., on Monday the 8th April at the Council Chamber. His Excellency the Governor will, however, be prepared to accept votes recorded in writing by Hon'ble Members who show satisfactorily that they have been unavoidably prevented from attending the meeting.

(True Extract.)

A. BUTTERWORTH,
Under Secretary.

To the Hon'ble the non-official Additional Members
of the Legislative Council.

Exd. S. J. Pereira.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 21, LEGISLATIVE, DATED
22ND MARCH 1895.

[SUBJECT.—Interpretation of rule V (a) of the rules for the nomination of Additional Members of the Governor-General's Council.]

Demi-official from J. M. Macpherson, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Legislative Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 15th March 1895, No. 220.

In continuation of the official letter which I have to-day addressed to you, on the subject of the nomination of an Additional Member of Council to take the place of the Hon'ble V. Bhashyam Aiyangar, B.A., B.L., Rai Bahadur, who was appointed to the Imperial Legislative Council on the recommendation of the Non-Official Additional Members of the Council of the Governor of the Presidency of Fort St. George, I am desired to send you the accompanying copy of a demi-official letter from Mr. S. Harvey James to the Hon'ble Mr. H. J. S. Cotton, C.S.I., dated the 7th August 1893, regarding the procedure to be followed in obtaining a recommendation from the Non-Official Additional Members of a Local Council.

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Demi-official from S. Harvey James, Esq., to the Hon'ble Mr. H. J. S. Cotton, C.S.I., dated 7th August 1893.

I regret the delay in this reply to your demi-official of the 5th instant, but, as you pointed out, the question raised was important, and it had to be submitted to the Governor-General in Council.

2. The Government of India think that the procedure proposed in the penultimate paragraph of the note * of the 3rd instant, signed "H. C.", will not by itself solve

the difficulty, and that if several candidates are in the field, and there is a divergence of opinion amongst the Non-Official Members, a meeting of those Members may be necessary in order to avoid hopeless confusion.

3. It seems, however, to the Government of India that it might not be necessary to call a meeting of the non-official Members for the purpose of the making of their recommendation until after some such procedure as that proposed in the penultimate paragraph of the note to which I have already referred has first been tried. If sufficient notice were given, it would probably be found that the non-official Members had contrived to arrive in some informal manner at an understanding and that the recommendation received from individual Members in writing disclosed an absolute majority in favour of one of the candidates. Should this be the case, the recommendation of the candidate in question might be accepted without further proceedings; but should the votes given in this manner not disclose an absolute majority in favour of one of the candidates, the non-official Members might be called together for the purpose of deliberating and voting. They might be invited by the Assistant Secretary, on the part of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, to assemble at a given date in the Council Chamber for this purpose. The Assistant Secretary would attend and take votes, and report the result of the voting to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

4. It would be a question for His Honour's consideration whether Members who could show good reason for their inability to attend should be allowed to vote by letter.

From the Government of India, Legislative Department, dated 15th March 1895,
No. 623.

A draft order is submitted.

2. It seems unnecessary to circulate it, as the order simply carries out His Excellency's instructions and the Government of India letter was read in Legislative Council.

3. The demi-official will be registered and filed in this Proceedings, but it will not be printed.

A. BUTTERWORTH—21-3-95.

J. F. PRICE—22-3-95.

Demi-official from R. C. C. Carr, Esq., Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, to A. Butterworth, Esq., Under Secretary to Government, dated 22nd March 1895.

His Excellency wishes to let all the Non-Official Members of the Council know that they will be permitted, on good cause being shown, to record their votes at the next special meeting by letter. This privilege has already been accorded to the Rev. Dr. Miller and at the last Council Meeting His Excellency announced his intention of allowing votes to be so recorded on this special occasion, but I am to say that this announcement was not sufficient and further notice should now be given in writing to each Non-Official Member.

Please take the necessary action as soon as possible—it is for instance very necessary to let the Maharaja of Vizianagram know in time.

Get out that Government Order at once and telegraph its contents to Vizianagram.

A. BUTTERWORTH—22-3-95.

[G.O., No. 21, Legislative, dated 22nd March 1895.]

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Current No. 41

LEG. DEPARTMENT.

From

The Under Secy.

No.

Dated 15. 2. 95

Received 15. 2. 95

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SUBJECT.

Regarding the Pro. of the
Meeting of Non-Official and
Members of Council held
to-day for the purpose of electing
Successor to the Hon. V. B. Bhatnagar,
Amoyan. Rai B.

For Order.

Rule V (a) seems to require a majority
of the ^{votes of the} Non-Official Members & not
only of those attending the meeting
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the Rules requiring votes to be
taken at a meeting only.

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Refer the case to
India, & ask for orders.

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UPPER CURRENT NO 41 15 Feb 1895.

From
A. Butterworth
Under Secretary
To
The Chief Secretary to Govt.



- Sir,
1. In accordance with G.O. of 2 Feb 1895, No. 24, a meeting of non-official additional members of Council was held today for the purpose of electing a successor to the Hon. P. Kharshyam Aiyangar, Rai Bahadur.
 2. There were present the Hon. P. Rangayya Nayudu, the Hon. A. Subbapati Mudaliyar, the Hon. K. Kalyanasundaram Aiyar, the Hon. C. Sankaran Nayar, the Hon. Ghulam Muhammad Hasan Ali Khan Bahadur & the Hon. W. Arbutnot — six members in all.
 3. The Hon. W. Arbutnot having been voted to the Chair, the Hon. K. Kalyanasundaram Aiyar proposed the name of Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Chari. The Hon. C. Sankaran Nayar seconded the proposal & five votes were recorded in favour thereof. The Hon. Ghulam Muhammad Hasan Ali Khan Bahadur did not vote.
 4. Rule V(a) of the Rules framed under sub-sec. (4) of sec. 1 of the Indian Councils Act, 1892, (G.O. of 5 Aug. 1893, No. 83, Sec.) declares that recommendations to fill vacancies in the Governor-General's Council shall be made, ~~by the members~~ in the case of the non-official Additional members of a local Council, by a majority of votes of such members. There are now twelve

non-official members on the Council & the Rule therefore seems to require that Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Charlu must secure at least seven votes before his name can be submitted to His Excellency the Governor-General.

5. The question has, however, been raised whether Rule V(a) requires an absolute majority & whether a candidate who secures the votes of more than half the members present at the meeting held for the purpose of making an election is not eligible for nomination to the Council of the Govr. Genl. The non-official members present at the meeting held today have little doubt that Rule V(a) requires an absolute majority, but they have instructed me to refer the matter for the orders of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

6. Assuming that the Government will hold that Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Charlu has not been elected, the non-official members desire that they should not be called upon to meet again. They point out that the Rules do not require that votes shall be recorded at a meeting & they suggest that I should be directed to invite by letter the votes of those non-official members who were not present today. If this is done, & if two more members vote for Rai Bahadur P. Anantha Charlu, his name can then be reported to His Excellency the Governor-General.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient servant
A. Sutherland

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Current No. 43

Dep. DEPARTMENT.

From

The Hon. K. Kalyana Prasad
Aiyar
Bangalore

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Dated 18. 2. 25

Received 19. 2. 25

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SUBJECT,

Re the election of
Rai B. P. Anantha Charlu
to the Viceroys Council

Tanjore 2 P
18th February 1895

From The Hon'ble Mr K. Kalyana Sundaram aiyar
additional member
Madras Legislative Council

To A. Butterworth Esq C.S.
Legislative Secretary
The Council of Fort St George

Sir, With reference to the proceedings of the meeting of the non-official members of the Madras Legislative Council held in the Council Chamber on the 15th inst. for the purpose of electing a member to the Imperial Legislative Council, I beg that you will invite His Excellency's attention to the wording of rule V (a) of the notification of the Government of India in the Legislative Department dated 23rd June 1893, No. 19.

2. What is evidently required for a proper election is "a majority of votes of such members", and not "the votes of the majority of such members". It would thus seem that in this case the votes of a clear or absolute majority of the non-official members are not required. If all the members have had an opportunity of voting, and if one candidate has secured more votes than another, or any of the others, such candidate must be held to have been properly elected.
3. Applying this test to the present case I am humbly of opinion that the proceedings that took place on the 15th inst. are enough to render Mr Ananda Charlu's election complete and valid without more.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant
K. Kalyana Sundaram

A. Butterworth Esq

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 2 Feb

1895, No. 8 Leg.

Again G.O., dated

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Current No. 41 of 18, dated

from

Current No. 43 of 18, dated

from

Order 20 February 1895, No. 11.

The following letter will be read
to the G. of I.

(From orders)

No. 12.

19 Feb

To the Sec. of the G. of I, Leg. Dept.
Sir,

On the 15th inst. the non-official members of the Madras Legislative Council met to recommend, as requested in your letter of 24 Jan 1895, a person for nomination to the post of ~~member of the Council~~ ~~in place of the late V. Bhaskar Aiyangar~~ ~~Rai Bahadur~~ ~~by the G. of I.~~ in place of the late V. Bhaskar Aiyangar, Rai Bahadur. There are now twelve non-officials on the local Council of the only six attended the meeting. One of the men who attended did not vote; the rest record votes in favour of

A. E. Feire

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P. Anantha Charlu, Rai Bahadur.

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Rule V (a) of the Rules framed under sub. sec. (4) of sec. 1 of the Indian Councils Act, 1892, declares that recommendations to fill vacancies in the Council of the G.C. shall be made, in the case of the non-official addl. members of a Local Council, by a majority of votes of such members. If this rule means, as is probable, that no person shall be recommended unless he secures the votes of a majority of the non-officials then at the time being on the Council, then M.R.H. P. Anantha Charlu has not secured a sufficient number of votes. If, on the other hand, the rule merely requires a majority of the votes of the members who assemble to vote, the ~~recommendation~~ gentleman in question may be recommended to the G.C. for nomination to the Council.

I am directed to solicit the orders of the G. of I. in the matter.

4. Another question which has been raised is whether, if M.R.H. P. Anantha Charlu has not been elected, the votes of those ^{non-official} members who were not present at the meeting on the 15th inst. can now be obtained by ballot. The Rules do not expressly declare that the voting must be done at a meeting of the non-official members & there seems, therefore, no objection to the issue of a circular to those members who have not yet voted asking them to ^{attend} ~~send~~ the persons for whom they desire to vote. ~~to send their votes in from a separate box.~~

I am directed to request that the Madras G.O. be favoured with the views of the G. of I. on this point also.

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