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A. R. Sundar to take charge of it

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G.O., No. 86, 16th December 1898.

DECEMBER.

Draft Bill to amend the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1884.

Amending the — as suggested by the Advocate-General directing the publication of the Bill as amended in English and in the vernacular, and requesting the Hon'ble Mr. A. I. Arundel to take charge of it.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., Mls. No. 79, Legislative, dated 5th December 1898.

Read—the following paper :—

G.O., No. 1991 M., dated 25th November 1898.

Read—the following papers :—

From A. G. GOVER, Esq., Chairman, Municipal Council, Cochin, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of Malabar), dated 13th July 1898, No. 441.

In reference to G.O., No. 1067 M., dated 11th June 1898, I have the honour to submit that the opinion of the Advocate-General does not seem to me to embrace the question which was the real one in issue, viz., whether "salt fish" comes within the term of section 191 (2) of the Municipal Act. The opinion is simply that "salt fish" comes within the terms used in the *Notification* issued by the Ootacamund Municipality without saying whether the notification was a valid one though he does point out that it departs from the language of the Statute. I would also ask you to note that the section comes under the heading Slaughter-houses and would therefore seem to refer to the flesh of animals usually slaughtered which would exclude Fish. It is also to be noted that section 193 A which comes under the next heading, viz., Markets, &c., expressly uses the word Fish. The old English term "Flesher" certainly did not connote Fish.

Endt. No. 447 M.

Forwarded.

20th July 1898.

(Signed) F. C. PARSONS,
Ag. Collector.

No. 936 M.

Referred to the Advocate-General for opinion.

17th August 1898.

(Signed) H. TREMENEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Government Solicitor.

From the Government Solicitor, Madras, dated 10th September 1898, No. 390.

Abstract—Forwarding the following opinion of the Advocate-General, dated Madras, 9th September 1898 :—

OPINION.

1. On reference to my opinion of May 11th it will be seen that in paragraph 4 I deal with the point raised by Mr. Gover in his letter of July 13th, 1898. For some reason paragraphs 4 and 5 of my opinion were omitted in the printed papers which were before Mr. Gover. Consequently Mr. Gover not unnaturally concluded that I had not dealt with the principal difficulty in the case.

Paragraphs 4 and 5 of my opinion of May 11th were as follows :—

"4. There is, however, a further question for consideration. It might be contended that the notification, in so far as it applies to fish at all, is *ultra vires* the terms of the section. The section only refers to 'flesh intended for food.' For the purposes of construing these words, evidence as to the intention of the select committee on the amending Bill would be inadmissible. The side-note, moreover (although it

See I.L.R., 22 Cal., 788.

cannot be referred to for the purpose of construing the section), is 'Slaughter-houses and butchers' shops to be licensed.' It might be argued with some force that inasmuch as the earlier provisions of the sub-section as to slaughter-houses and the slaughtering of animals are not applicable to fish, the section ought not to be construed as applying to places for selling or storing fish.

"5. I am of opinion that the Sub-Magistrate was wrong in the view he took as to the meaning of the word 'fish' as used in the notification; and I am also of opinion, though not without some doubt, that section 191 (2) may be construed as applying to places for selling or storing fish, and that, consequently, a license may be required in respect of a place so used."

2. The Sub-Magistrate appears to have decided the case on the ground that "salt fish" was not included in the word "fish," and in so holding I think he was wrong. But, as I intimated, in my opinion of May 11th, I have doubts as to the validity of the notification. The notification purports to be issued under section 191 (2) of the Act; but whereas the words of the section are "flesh intended for food," the notification refers to "mutton, beef or fish"—see the case of *Queen-Empress versus Thammaya Chetty*, 17 Madras, 397, where certain rules which purported to have been made and issued by the Local Government under the powers conferred by section 6 (K) of the Indian Ports Act, 1889 (Act X of 1889), were held to be *ultra vires*.

3. The point raised appears to me to be so doubtful that I think an early opportunity should be taken of amending the Act by inserting the words "or fish" after the words "any flesh" in section 191 (2).

(Signed) C. ARNOLD WHITE,
Advocate-General.

Order—No. 1991 M., dated 25th November 1898.

The Advocate-General's opinion will be communicated to the Municipal Council of Cochin.

2. As suggested by the Advocate-General, section 191 (2) of the Act will be amended by the insertion of the words "or fish" after "any flesh." Advantage will also be taken of this opportunity to repeal the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 17, and sub-section (2) of section 20, as these provisions which were inserted by the amending Act III of 1897, with a view to introduce into this Presidency the system of general elections, will now be unnecessary, the introduction of that system having been abandoned as impracticable.

3. The accompanying draft of a Bill to amend the Madras District Municipalities Act will be forwarded to the Legislative Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. TREMENEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Cochin.
" all other Chairmen of Municipal Councils.
" all Collectors.
" the Legislative Department.

Order—Mis. No. 79, Legislative, dated 5th December 1898.

Referred to the Hon'ble the Advocate-General for favour of early remarks.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Hon'ble Advocate-General.

READ—also the following paper:—

From the Hon'ble Mr. C. ARNOLD WHITE, Advocate-General, to the Secretary to Government, Legislative Department, dated Madras, 7th December 1898.

[Re the Bill to amend the Madras District Municipalities Act (IV of 1884).]

Remarks.

The only observations I have to make with reference to the draft Bill to amend the Madras District Municipalities Act are as follows:—

Section 2.—I think the words “and the following words shall be added as a proviso to the said sub-section” might be substituted for the words “and the following shall be added as a proviso to the same.”

In the proviso, in order that the phraseology may be uniform with that of section 191, I think the words “selling or storing for sale” should be substituted for the words “the sale or storage for sale.”

ORDER—No. 86, Legislative, dated 16th December 1898.

The draft Bill will be amended as suggested by the Advocate-General.

2. Under Rule 35 of the Rules for the conduct of business at meetings of the Council of the Governor of Fort St. George for making Laws and Regulations, His Excellency the Governor is pleased to direct the publication of the Bill as thus amended in English and in the vernaculars.

3. The Hon'ble Mr. Arundel will be requested to take charge of the Bill.

(True Extract.)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

Hon'ble Mr. A. T. Arundel,
Superintendent, Government Press.

Translators to Government.

Hon'ble Members of the Legislative Council.

[Appendix.]

APPENDIX.

No. 7 of 1898.

A Bill to amend Madras Act IV of 1884.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend Madras Act IV of 1884 (the Madras District Municipalities Act 1884); It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. The proviso to sub-section (1) of section 17 and sub-section (2) of section 20 of the said Act shall be omitted.

2. In sub-section (2) of section 191 of the said Act, the words “or fish” shall be inserted after the words “any flesh,” and the following words shall be added as a proviso to the said sub-section:—

“Provided that no license shall be required for a place used for the selling or storing for sale of preserved flesh or fish contained in airtight and hermetically sealed receptacles.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

Section 1 of the Bill.—The proposed introduction into this Presidency of the system of general elections having been abandoned as impracticable, those provisions which were inserted in the Act in view to the adoption of that system, are now unnecessary.

Section 2.—The object of this amendment is to prohibit the use of any place for sale or storage for sale of fish, without a license from the Chairman. The Advocate-General thinks that the section, as it stands, does not cover the case of places used for this purpose and the amendment of the section so as to bring such places within its purview is desirable on the grounds of public health.

C. No.

SUBJECT.

FOR ORDERS.

H.M.
 marked v.a. that H.M. if he
 thinks fit may bring the
 matter before Council
 tomorrow.
 H.7.

The Dist. Mun. Act, as
 amended in 197, provided that
 each Councillor 8th remain in
 office for 3 years.

Provided that on one occasion
 only Govt. might prescribe a date
 on which all elected Councillors
 should vacate.

2 These words ~~seem to~~ contem-
 plated simultaneous Municipal
 elections for the whole Prov.
 but the institution of such a
 system was left optional to
 Govt.

3 In Oct. last when the draft
 Election Rules were put up for
 orders, it was pointed out
 (p. 14. Page F) that there were
 several practical difficulties.

no objection

When, the 3rd motion being passed

8/6 leave

9/8

C. 23.1.99

H.M.

As
Bill to Amend the Dist. Mun.^{ie}

Following the precedent of
the Bill to Amend the General Char.
Act (Flag A.),

H.M. will explain the basis of the Bill
& express a hope that no opposition
will be raised to the subsequent
motions that there shall be no
Select Comm^{ee}, & that Rule 46
be suspended.

1st motion. That the Bill be read in Council.
Sec^y reads title.

2nd motion. That the Bill be not referred
to a Select Comm^{ee}.

3rd motion. That Rule 46 be suspended, &
that the Bill be taken into consideration
at once.

4th motion. That the Bill be passed into
law.

But in case the Hon^{ble} Mr. Subba Rao
objects to 3.1 (which he may do
on the 2nd or 3rd motion),

H.M. may say that ^{after} the 3rd
motion ^{is passed,} ~~is passed,~~ he will agree
to omit 3.1, & on that understanding
ask Mr. Subba Rao to withdraw
his objection.

When, the 3rd motion being passed,

2
The Bill is taken into consideration
It may move

That S.1 of the Bill be omitted
& that S.2 be numbered as
S.1.

This will be followed by the
motion that

that the Bill as amended be
passed into law.

H.T.

23.1.99

Flag B

P.S. As the Draft Bill is dealt
with under Rule 5 of the
Instructions regarding Legislation
introduced without a prior
report to the S of S & the
P. I, a despatch ~~is being~~
~~sent~~ under Instruction 6
(with necessary papers & an
Explanation) is being circulated.

The following abstract of matter for
H.M. Sketch is submitted:

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When the Rules for the Con-
duct of Elections in District
Municipalities, issued in G.O. 1950 34
19 Nov 50
were under consideration, it
was discovered that the Sybil

of Simultaneous election through the whole Pres^y, which the provⁿ to S. 17 of the Amended Act left it optional to Gov^r to introduce, had become impossible of introduction because of the provision in S. 17 that each Councillor should hold office for exactly three years from the date of its Gazette notifying his appointment. As is well-known, the results of some elections are not disputed, while against others objection petitions are put in which require for disposal periods varying from a fortnight to two months. Hence the results of the elections cannot be gazetted at one time, & therefore ~~the~~ ^{the} prescribed terms of office of three years cannot end all at one time, so as to allow of a Simultaneous election being held. This being so, Gov^r felt compelled to drop the optional scheme of Simultaneous election being bound by the compulsory provision of the three years term.

It also came to the notice of Govt. ~~that~~ from a case arising in the Mangalore Municipality, that cl. 2 of S. 20 was inconsistent with S. 17, in the case of a Councillor serving his full term of 3 years, as that would then be no unexpired term of office. Yet the former section provided that his successor should sit for such unexpired term. This case gave rise to much difficulty, & the Act provided no satisfactory way out of it.

As the cl. 2 of S. 20 had obviously only been inserted to meet the case of simultaneous elections, which Govt. had been compelled to drop as impracticable under the wording of S. 17, it has been thought desirable to amend the Act by omitting the proviso of S. 17 & cl. 2 of S. 20.

As to S. 19, cl. 2, the Select Committee on the Amending Bill considered that had made it sufficiently clear

Mr. Hain's letter
in P.O. 1067 M
11 June 98

That "shops for the sale of meat & fish require licenses", but a prosecution in respect of the sale of fish having broken down at Ootac, the Hon^{ble} the Advocate Gen^l was consulted, & ^{he} considered ~~the point~~ ^{it} so doubtful whether fish came within the purview of the Section that he advised an early amendment of the Act by inserting the words "or fish" after the words "any flesh" in s. 191(2). The uncertainty of the law is a serious danger to public health, & therefore this early opportunity has been taken to carry out the amendment suggested.

W. T.
23.1.99

in the way of Simultaneous elections;

(a) the Coll^d decision might not be passed in time, on a revision petⁿ ag^t the Chairman's decision on an objection to a nomination;

(b) under S. 17 (1) a Councillor is to be in office for 3 years from the Gazette notifying his election. Yet these Gazettes must bear different dates in many Munici^{palities}. For there will be varying delay whenever there is an objection petⁿ (some petⁿs take a week or more to dispose of; some two months).

Hence there never could be a Second Simultaneous general election.

(c) It was also pointed out that there might conceivably be political inconsequence in such election (p. 15. Page F.)

The Hon. Sir H. D. D. accepted these views.

Later in the same month, the H. C. had before him a common case from Mangalore (Page H). Section 20 provides that when an electoral vacancy occurs, the elected Council

Councillors shall hold office for the unexpired term of the vacating Councillor. But two Councillors ^{resigned} vacated with different unexpired terms, & the question arose which of these Successors (elected together on the same day) was to enjoy the longer term.

Sir Henry proposed an alteration in S. 20, to be tacked on to the "Fish Bill" already drafted. He would confine such action to casual vacancies, caused otherwise than by effluxion of time under S. 17(1). (It is not clear how this would have met the difficulty.)

Sir Henry was of opinion that S. 20(2) "is nonsense as it stands," for if a Councillor served his full period of 3 years, there would be no unexpired term; yet the S. is general "when the office of Councillor becomes vacant" his Successor shall serve for such term. He pointed out that the S. was only meant to apply to casual vacancies, caused otherwise than by effluxion of time; & proposed to tack an amending section on to the first amendment section.

just drafted & ordered to be introduced at once.

5. It was then pointed out in a note of 8th Nov^r that sub. s. 2 of s. 20 had been inserted (with its provision as to the unexpired term) to meet the system of simultaneous election, which it had been decided to drop as impracticable; & that it would be simpler to pass an amending section cutting out the two provisions for such a system (viz. the proviso to s. 17.1. & sub. s. 2 of s. 20). This would also meet the Mangalore difficulty, as there would then be no question of "unexpired terms".

To this, the Hon^{ble} Mr. Arundel agreed, & s. 1 of the present Bill is the result.

6. I have now to mention that the Hon^{ble} Mr. Subba Rao came to see me in office, & from what he told me I gathered that he means to press for a full explanation of the change proposed. This note has been written to supply

material to answer him.

7. As regards the feasibility of Simultaneous elections throughout the Pres^y, it is submitted that the considerations urged above are conclusive. Others might be added - for example, the enormous amount of work (now scattered through the three years) which would be cast upon Collectors of districts where Municipalities are numerous, & where the inhabitants are disputatious. It may be said generally that in districts like Tanjore, Madurai & Travancore, nearly every election is followed by a crop of objection petitions, - the decision of which often casts very onerous work on Col^l's & Div^y officers. Take the case of the Collector of Tanjore, who has five Municipalities; nearly all his time would be taken up for months continuously in deciding objection petitions.

8. I was left under the impression, that even though Mr. Subba Rao were convinced

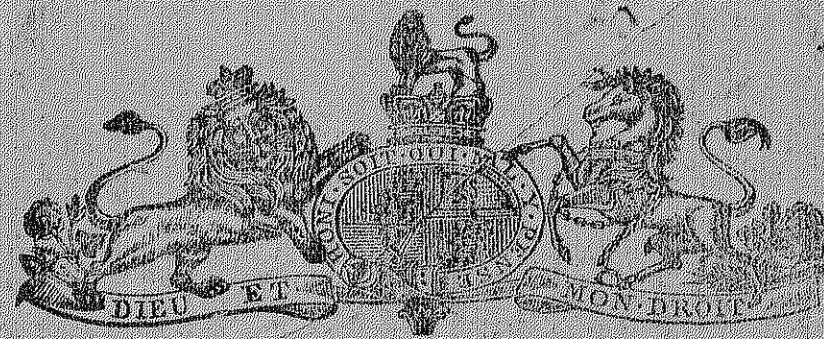
of the impracticability of having
 Simultaneous elections through-
 -out the Pres^y or even through-
 -out a district, he would move
 an amendment to provide that
 all the wards or seats in a
 Single Municip^y should be
 contested at the same time.

This would be impossible
 under the Election Rules (having
 the force of law) recently passed
 Hleg R. - 19 Nov. 98. But the retort would
 be that an amendment of the
 Rules could follow an amend-
 -ment of the Act. Yet it would be
 a pity to alter Rules carefully
 thought out, before they are
 brought into operation, just
 because Gov^t has acknowledged
 that a system, optional to itself
 to introduce, should be dropped
 from the Act.

J. However it is for Gov^t to
 decide how it will meet a
 proposal that will probably be
 made. To accede to it would
 require either consequential
 amendment of the Act, viz. the
 provision in S. 17(1) that a

Councillors should continue in office for 3 years from the date of the Gazette notifying his appointment. Omitting all reference to the Rules (which require a delay of 15 days Rule 34), Some time must be given for objection petitions to be put in, for reference to Govt & for publication. Not less than a fortnight will be thus consumed; while if there is an objection petition the time may be much longer - perhaps two months. Thus the 3 years will run from a fortnight to two months past the date fixed for the next general election in the town. It is clear therefore that this Section at least would require to be recast, & to avoid mistakes a Select Committee will be required.

10. On these considerations it is suggested that either the Section as framed be ^{temporarily} dropped, or if Govt find this inconvenient that it may be dropped & taken up with other pending amendments of the Act. A.T. 16.1.98



Bill to be introduced into the Council of the Governor of Fort St. George
for making Laws and Regulations.

Under Rule 33 of the Rules for the conduct of business at Meetings of the Council, the following Bill, together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons accompanying it, is published for general information:—

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(Signed) A. T. ARUNDEL

H. TREMENEERE,
Secretary to Government.



SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
MADRAS.

JAN. 1899

Madras

31st December 1898

MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

Mr. P. S. S. S. S.

My dear Mr. P. S. S. S. S.

His Excellency wishes me
to ask you if we have any
amendment of the District
Municipality bills on hand
just now. I think we have
in connection with the inclusion
of "fish in flesh".

His Excellency asks
because Jambulinga Mudali
has suggested to him that if
so, opportunity might be taken
to

Legue Dept

To from the Private Secretary 21/12/98

To

My Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of yesterday's date about the Bill to amend the Madras District Municipal Act, I have to inform you that the Bill in question has already been published in the Gazette. The Bill, as will be seen from ^{the} copy (enclosed) is a Small Bill & will not probably be referred to a Select Committee. The Honble ^{Member} C. J. Jeyarajalingam, may, therefore, if he ~~thinks fit~~ likes, bring forward an amendment in regard to the power of Municipal Councils to elect Secretaries, when the Bill is actually taken into consideration.

H. J. 21/99

To

H. A. S. Esq. Secy. Leg. Dept.

CCM.
21/1/99
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21/1/99

Legislative Department



Fort St. George.
MADRAS.

1st January 1889

My dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of yesterday's date about the Bill to amend the Madras District Municipalities Act, I have to inform you that the Bill in question has already been published in the Gazette. The Bill, as will be seen from the enclosed copy is a small one and will not probably be referred to

H.M. C6-1-99
9-1-99

Legislative Dept.

For orders

1. The amendment which the Honble M.R.R. Chembalingam Mudaliyar suggests in the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1902, is for varying the rule that if a municipality cannot decide whom to elect as Secretary within two months [from the date of receipt of the order fixing the salary of the office of Secretary] the power to elect a Secretary at all should be taken from the municipality and transferred to Government.

2. The section affected by the proposed amendment is section 39-A of the Act, & the amendment will run as follows:-

"In section 39-A of the said Act, the ~~present~~ present Subsection (3) shall be numbered as Subsection (4), and the following inserted as Subsection (3):

"(3) If the former Council has sanctioned the salary to be paid to the Secretary of the Municipality under clause (b) of Subsection (4), and the Municipal Council fails to appoint a Secretary within two months from the receipt of such sanction, or if the Municipal Council makes an

Note
In paragraph to the appointment of Secretaries in the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1902, the Councils are put up to show the delay in the Councils in the matter of such appointment.

"Two successive occasions a
"nomination which does not meet with
"his approval, the Governor in Council
"shall himself appoint a Secretary."

3. If the amendment is approved, orders
are solicited as to whether this amendment
may be inserted in the Bill already published, A.
and the Bill & statement of objects and reasons
be revised published in the Gazette, or
whether the amendment will be prepared
by H. M. when the Bill is taken into
consideration.

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Subsection (2) of Sec. 29 A of the Act
says that "whenever the Governor in Council
otherwise directs every Municipal Council
which has during three consecutive
financial years realised an average annual
income of Rs 5000, including extraordinary
items of receipt, shall in the next succeeding
financial year appoint a Secretary who
shall be open to the Municipal Council to
make the appointment at any time up
to the end of the next financial year,
and it seems to be desirable to limit
the period within which the appointment
shall be made to say, the first four
months

The Council of Municipalities may have some
objections only when the Municipal
Councils are not in session at the time
the Bill is passed & the Councils are not
in session at the time the Bill is passed.

months of the year and to provide
that, if the Council fails to appoint
a Secretary within this period or in
the case of a vacancy in the office, within
two months of the occurrence of the
vacancy, the Government shall itself
appoint a Secretary. The following
amendments will therefore have to be
made in Subsection (2) of Section 29-A.

For the words "in the next succeeding
financial year" substitute "within
the first four months of the next succeeding
financial year" and add the following
words at the end:—

"If the Municipal Council fails to
appoint a Secretary within this period,
or in the case of a vacancy occurring
in the office, within two months after
the occurrence of the vacancy, the Governor
in Council shall himself appoint a Secretary."

It is however for consideration
whether this amendment should be in-
cluded in the present Bill, or taken up
on the next occasion with other amend-
ments, a list of which is given in the
note flagged S in the bundle file before.

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5/1/99

It will be noted that
Chairman Sir Henry Blane Chong
Chair

a short amending act dealing only with the point relating to the sale of fish should be passed at once. If any other amendments are added to the Bill, it will probably be found necessary to refer it to a Select Committee which will cause delay.

Flagell

A.R.
5/1/99

H.M. has many other (see linked file) amendments of equal importance repeated tinkering of a law with this, which are amounting are not advisable; the "fish" amendment is not of such serious importance as to need special legislation if other amendments are required.

But if H.M. thinks otherwise, amendments should be embodied.

the amendments in question might be published in a special Gazette (tacked on to the fish bill) there is just time, and it will not cost Rs 45. Then no one can raise the point of order, that the addition is entirely new matter & demand either publication in a Select Committee.

I think therefore all approved amendments should be embodied. It is clear that Sec 39(3)(ii) enables a M.C. with the sanction of the Govt to withdraw powers delegated to a Secy. The negative is affirmed but not the positive.

MA 4.1.99

that the addition is entirely new matter & demand either publication in a Select Committee. 6.1.99

NOTE FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

The following points have also been noted for consideration in connection with the amendment of the Madras Municipalities Act. -

So. 16045th January 1898.

(1) Section 99: The addition of the following clause to clause (b) of this section: -
"or within 15 days from the date of the Chairman's order under Section 69(c)"
"upon a revision petition, in cases in which such order was passed in the course of a general assessment or general revision under Sec. 66(3)."

So. 8944 15th January 1898.

(2) Schedule E: The revision of the form of the Distraint Warrant prescribed in Schedule.

So. 125314 2nd July 1898.

(3) Section 213-A: To amend this section so as to make it applicable to cases where there is a system of drainage for part only of a town.

So. 17 July 3rd January 1899

(4) Sec 19: To authorize the removal of a Councillor who has fallen in service under and the Councillor.

So. 384 6/1/98 & 1/99
in 2,000 118.14
25.1.99

The Collector of the Nilgiris has suggested some amendments in the letter quoted in the margin with the request that

advised

Advantage may be taken of the opportunity to consider these amendments along with the Bill now before the Legislative Council.

Yr
11/1/99

Klu. C. 9-1-99
11-1-99 H.M.

This has reached me only this morning - there is no time now to take order on the ^{other suggested} amendments (none has yet been formally approved save those inserted in the published Bill)

In these circumstances it seems best to let the present Bill come up in due course & tell Mr. Jambulingam that his suggestion has been noted along with other amendments that can be taken up at some future time.

HT
9/1/99

Very well.

AS 10.1.99

Dr. H. S. S. 11/1/99
Dear Sir,

With reference to your suggestion that it is desirable that in connection with the amendment of the District Municipalities Act, of opportunity might be taken to lay

the that if a municipal council
 decide to elect a secretary within
 months the power to elect a secretary
 all should be taken from them and
 referred to Government. I am to inform
 that the suggestion has been noted
 and with other amendments that can
 be taken up at some convenient future

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How to by Gjamindigam mudalayar at

Let M. U. O. for information, with
 note in ~~for~~ original.

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Legislative (1898) Department.

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From The Advocate Journal

Order No. 86 of 16-12-98
 The draft Bill will be amended as suggested by
 the committee of the Advocate-General.

No.

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