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Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

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No. 28.

FROM

J. I. MINCHIN, Esq.,  
Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
MILITARY DEPARTMENT, (Marine)

SIR,

I am instructed to transmit copy of a letter\* from the Master Attendant at Madras, bringing to notice the inconvenience experienced, at present, at certain out-ports in managing the Boat Department on the occasion of troops embarking, or disembarking, and recommending the amendment of Rule XII. of the Rules for the better management and control of Boats and Catamarans plying for hire at the out-ports of this Presidency, which received the confirmation of the Government of India, in the Home Department, under date the 15th November 1865.

2. It will be seen that the Master Attendant expects that the addition of the penal clause in the amended rule will have a salutary effect on boatowners when there is a demand for boats, and I am to request, therefore, that the sanction of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council may be granted, under Act IX. of 1846, to the amendment proposed.

3. For facility of reference the present Rule, and the amended Rule, are annexed :—

## RULE XII.

*Present.*

"All owners of licensed Boats, Canoes, and Catamarans shall, under penalty of having their licenses withdrawn, be subject to the control of the Master Attendant or Collector of Sea Customs, or other Registering Officer appointed by Government, and shall submit to such rules as he, under the approval of the Collector of the district, shall think fit to impose, and the nature of the services required of them shall demand."

*Amended.*

"All owners of licensed Boats, Canoes, or Catamarans shall be subject to the control of the Master Attendant, Collector of Sea Customs, or other Registering Officer appointed by Government, and shall submit to such orders regarding the proper working and requirements of such boats for any particular service as he may find necessary for the efficient working of the port, and shall also submit to such rules as he, under the approval of the Collector of the district, shall think fit to impose, and the nature of the services required of them shall demand. Any offence against this rule will subject the owner to a fine not exceeding 50 rupees and withdrawal of license, or in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, on conviction before a Magistrate."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,  
25th January 1870.

Acting Chief Secretary.

From the Master Attendant, Madras, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 11th January 1870, No. 130.

Administrative Department.]

I have the honour to inform you that, on several occasions, the Master Attendant, Calicut and Beypore, has complained of the inconvenience experienced by him in managing the Boat Department at those ports, and on a recent occasion the Quartermaster-General brought to notice the unsatisfactory manner in which the boatmen at Beypore performed their work during the embarkation of troops at that port.

2. Having placed myself in communication with the Acting Collector of the district on the subject, that Officer recommends that Rule XII. of the Boat Rules be amended, and as I concur in this opinion, I beg to suggest that the Government of India be moved to sanction its adoption into the General Rules now in force, and applicable to all the out-ports,

3. I doubt not that the additional penal clause now proposed will have a very salutary effect upon boatowners at all the out-ports, more particularly when any pressure may arise, such as has frequently occurred at Calicut, Beypore, Negapatam, and other ports, when troops embark or disembark, or when several *English* ships are loading or unloading at the same time.

Administrative Department.

Madras

Marine Office

11<sup>th</sup> January 1870

No. 130.

From

H. D. E. Dalrymple Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Master Attendant

Administrative Department

To

Madras

J. I. Minchin Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Acting Chief Secretary to Government

Marine Department

Fort Saint George

Sir

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MARINE DEPARTMENT.

1870.

From

The Acting Chief Secy. to Government,  
Fort Saint George,

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,  
Military Department, (Marine).

Dated 25th January 1870.

Recd.

No. 28.  
Enclosure.

JANUARY.  
Nos. 30-31.

Requesting sanction to an amendment proposed  
in Rule XII. of the Boat Rules.

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**XII.** All owners of licensed boats, canoes, or catamarans shall be subject to the control of the Master Attendant, Collector of Sea Customs, or other Registering Officer appointed by Government, and shall submit to such orders regarding the proper working and requirements of such boats for any particular services as he may find necessary for the efficient working of the port, and shall also submit to such rules as he, under the approval of the Collector of the District, shall think fit to impose, and the nature of the services required of them shall demand. Any offence against this rule will subject the owner to a fine not exceeding 50 Rupees and withdrawal of licence, or in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months, or conviction before a Magistrate.

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I have the honour to be  
Sir

Your most obedient Servant

W. D. S. Dunscombe

Master Attendant  
Administrative Department.

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No. 28.

Marine Department

To The Secretary to the  
Government of India  
Military Department  
Marine

Sir

I am instructed:  
to transmit copy  
of a letter from the Master  
Attendant at Madras,  
bringing to notice the  
inconvenience experi-  
enced at present, at  
certain <sup>out</sup> ports in man-  
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ment on the occasion  
of Troops embarking,  
or dis-embarking,  
and recommending  
the amendment of  
Rule XII of the Rules  
for the better manage-  
ment and control  
of

7<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> January 1870.  
No. 136.

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The Master Attendant

Madras

The Q. Chief Secretary

to Government

Marine Department

Calcutta

11<sup>th</sup> January 1870

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Obstacles for transmission

prevention that the Royal

troops may be moved for

the regulations at all points

Rule XII of the Boat Rules

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For signature  
28 Jan'y/70

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Messrs. J. & W. L. & Co.  
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Regarding the  
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Rule XII of the  
West Rules -