

Marine (1896) Department.

G.O., No. 389 Marine

DATED 4th June 1896

[Despatch Abstract.]

Proc: of the H. I. Bd meeting: Letter from
the Chairman submitting a copy of the
minutes of the — held on 24-4-96,
Recorded.

Submitting copy of
 proceedings of the B & B
 meeting held on 24th April '96

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NOTIFICATION.

Ootacamund, May 12, 1896.

No. 31.—The following Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Trustees of the Madras Harbour, held at the Board's Office on Friday the 24th April 1896, are published:—

Present :

Mr. Ware Austin, I.C.S., *Chairman.*
Mr. R. J. Black.
Mr. H. Scott.
Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M.

Mr. F. J. Wilson.
Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.
Mr. Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.
M.R.Ry. G. Subrayalu Chetty Garu.

Read copy of letter No. 178, dated 14th April, from the Chairman, to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, submitting a letter, dated 13th idem, from the Hon'ble Mr. G. L. Chambers, a Trustee of the Madras Harbour, resigning his seat as a member of the Harbour Trust Board, and letter dated 24th April 1896 from Mr. J. F. Davies intimating that he will be unavoidably absent from the Board's meeting.

Recorded.

2. Read and approved the minutes of the proceedings at the last meeting held on Friday, 10th April 1896.

Ordered to be recorded.

3. Read letter dated 19th March 1896 from Loganatha Mudali and Sivalinga Naicker regarding the encroachment of the sea upon survey No. 3407 to the north of the harbour at Cassimode, and claiming compensation.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the Chairman is invited to deal with the matter.

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4. Statements of receipts and charges, Revenue Account, for the month of March 1896, and from 1st April 1895 to 31st March 1896, were ordered to be recorded as follows:—

Receipts and Charges for the month of March 1896.

Statement of Receipts and Charges for the month of March 1896.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Opening balance—				4,00,063	14	10						
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,18,900)	26,250	0	8									
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras	198	13	3									
2. General cash in office	500	0	0	26,946	13	11						
3. Advance for contingencies							4,27,010	12	9			

Receipts.				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
I. Contributions from Port funds ..				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii).				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pier do. do. do. ..	15,867	15	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Beach exports: do. do. ..	5,286	2	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pier do. do. do. ..	3,138	3	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wharfage: do. II do. ..	3,519	4	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Craneage: do. III do. ..	510	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Storage: do. IV do. ..	3,432	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Demurrage: do. V do. ..	97	9	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (e), VI ..	6	9	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i) ..	831	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rent of properties ..	60	9	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head ..	52	4	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Penalties under section 84 ..	536	12	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sundries ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—				..	..	..	33,338	18	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Beach ..	5,993	4	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pier ..	2,818	9	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous ..	0	3	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes ..				..	..	..	8,812	1	7	..	..	..	42,150	14	10
Amount refunded from Construction funds in repayment of advances made from time to time from Revenue account from 1st June 1895 to 31st March 1896 ..				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..				..	..	..	3,49,046	12	1	..	..	..	8,18,208	7	8
Charges.				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
I. Interest (under section 30) ..				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 31 ..				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III. Refunds ..				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
IV. Fees to Trustees ..	52	0	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
V. Chairman's allowance ..	630	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	400	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI. Establishment—				..	..	..	1,082	0	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
1. Secretary's salary ..	800	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2. Correspondence Department ..	301	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3. Accounts Department ..	550	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Cash Department ..	400	7	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff) ..	2,630	11	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Preventive service ..	910	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
7. Do. boatmen ..	110	8	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Tidal Observatory ..	30	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
9. Exchange compensation allowance ..	240	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
10. Contribution to Government for pensions ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11. Contribution to Provident Fund ..	3,180	15	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VII. Contingencies—				..	..	..	9,154	6	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
(a) Subject to regular audit—				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Postage ..	3	0	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Receipt stamps ..	13	13	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Telegrams ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Furniture ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fees for audit ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Law charges ..	10	8	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stationery and Printing ..	301	9	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Advertisement charges ..	141	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Uniform for Preventive service, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—				..	..	..	460	14	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Overtime fees to establishment ..	304	1	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen ..	164	14	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous ..	277	9	1	..	..	..	746	9	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
VIII. Petty construction and repairs—				..	..	..	14,174	9	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
New works ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,190	8	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Repairs ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	220	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tools and plant ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18,585	2	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
IX. Portage—				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30,038	0	10
1. Coolies, Beach ..	3,710	12	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2. Do. Pier ..	1,361	12	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3. Do. Custom-house ..	937	11	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Coasting cargo ..	127	10	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Cart-hire ..	69	15	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Engine charges ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
7. Steam crane charges ..	511	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Refunds ..	1,039	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carried over ..				7,748	3	2	..	..	..	30,038	0	10	..	..	..

				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
				7,748	3	2	..	..	..	30,038	0	10			
Brought forward ..															
IX. Portage—cont.															
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo ..				103	14	9									
10. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages ..				85	14	7									
11. Do. contributions by the Trust ..				85	14	7				8,023	15	1			
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—															
Postage				..	..	..									
Receipt stamps				..	..	..									
Telegrams				..	..	..									
Furniture				..	..	..									
Tarpaulins				..	..	..									
Law charges				..	..	..									
Stationery and Printing				..	..	..									
Advertisement charges				9	1	6									
Lighting pier and yards										9	1	6			
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—															
Miscellaneous				..	..	..				25	5	9	8,058	6	4
X. Advances to Construction account				..	..	..				..	..	..	30,000	0	0
Total Expenditure				..	..	..				..	..	..	68,096	7	2
Closing balance on the 31st March 1896—															
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,13,900)				3,48,523	0	6	4,00,063	14	10						
Cash in the Bank of Madras				1,025	1	2									
General cash in office				500	0	0	3,50,048	1	8	7,50,112	0	6			
Advance for contingencies															
Total															
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N.B.—These balances exclude Rs. 500 with the Traffic Manager for meeting daily Portage charges, and Rs. 15 with the Cashier for meeting charges on account of Postage and Receipt stamps.

Statement of Receipts and Charges from 1st April 1895 to 31st March 1896.													
				RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
										3,66,163	14	10	
Opening balance—													
Government securities (par value Rs. 3,80,000) ..				3,86,276	15	9							
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras ..				376	14	1							
2. General cash in office ..				500	0	0							
3. Advance for contingencies ..							3,87,163	13	10				
Receipts.										33,900	0	0	
I. Contributions from Port funds ..													
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii).				1,80,042	9	3							
Pier do. do. do. ..				67,981	4	6							
Beach exports: do. do. do. ..				30,582	12	4							
Pier do. do. do. ..				43,722	12	2							
Wharfage: do. II ..				6,956	15	0							
Craneage: do. III ..				43,991	4	3							
Storage: do. IV ..				1,291	3	8							
Demurrage: do. V ..				472	10	9							
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (c), VI ..				12,235	8	3							
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i) ..				590	1	0							
Rent of properties ..				685	12	5							
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head ..				4,884	12	0							
Penalties under section 84 ..				17	11	1							
Sundries ..							3,93,455	4	8				
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—				64,652	11	10							
Beach ..				36,205	8	7							
Pier ..				33	11	0							
Miscellaneous ..							1,00,891	15	5				
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes ..							14,074	0	6				
Amount refunded from Construction funds in repayment of advances made from time to time from Revenue account from 1st March to 6th May 1895 ..							79,000	0	0				
Do. do. from 1st June to 31st March 1896 ..							3,49,046	12	1				
Cost of Government securities purchased during the year ..													
Proceeds of Government securities sold during the year ..													
Total ..							13,23,621	14	6		4,00,063	14	10

Charges.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
I. Interest (under section 30)									
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 31				2,27,007	4	10			
III. Refunds				1,00,000	0	0			
IV. Fees to Trustees	1,898	5	5						
V. Chairman's allowance	6,878	0	0						
	4,800	0	0						
VI. Establishment—				12,508	5	5			
1. Secretary's salary	9,500	0	0						
2. Correspondence Department	3,628	4	5						
3. Accounts Department	6,585	1	10						
4. Cash Department	4,887	4	2						
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff)	31,455	13	2						
6. Preventive service	10,955	2	1						
7. Do. boatmen	1,225	9	9						
8. Tidal Observatory	500	0	0						
9. Exchange compensation allowances	3,313	1	7						
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	814	1	10						
11. Contribution to Provident Fund	3,280	3	4						
VII. Contingencies—				76,134	10	4			
(a) Subject to regular audit—									
Postage	49	5	4						
Receipt stamps	221	10	0						
Telegrams	4	13	0						
Furniture	133	15	9						
Fees for audit	2,000	0	0						
Law charges	33	12	0						
Stationery and Printing	3,809	13	1						
Advertisement charges	416	0	0						
Uniform for Preventive service, &c...	1,397	2	0						
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—				7,379	5	2			
Overtime fees to establishment	4,454	6	11						
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen	3,095	10	4						
Miscellaneous	3,534	15	3						
VIII. Petty construction and repairs—				11,085	0	6			
New works	20,086	13	10						
Repairs	9,281	7	2						
Tools and plant	220	0	0						
IX. Porters—				29,582	5	0			
1. Coolies, Beach	42,874	0	4						
2. Do. Pier	10,613	8	8						
3. Do. Custom-house	12,817	5	5						
4. Coasting cargo	1,384	10	8						
5. Cart-hire	900	13	9						
6. Engine charges	2,852	6	7						
7. Steam crane charges	2,607	13	11						
8. Refunds	5,947	5	1						
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo	2,205	12	7						
10. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages	1,118	8	4						
11. Do. contributions by the Trust	1,118	8	4						
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—				89,376	10	8			
Postage	0	2	0						
Receipt stamps	97	2	0						
Telegrams	1,471	0	0						
Furniture	461	15	2						
Tarpaulins	1,795	14	10						
Law charges									
Stationery and Printing									
Advertisement charges									
Lighting pier and yards									
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—				3,097	3	0			
Miscellaneous									
X. Advances to Construction account				1,008	0	10			
Government securities purchased during the year				4,318,945	12	1			
Government securities sold during the year									
Closing balance on the 31st March 1896—				8,78,078	12	10			
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,13,000*)									
Cash in the Bank of Madras	8,48,522	0	6						
General cash in office	1,015	1	2						
Advance for contingencies	500	0	0						
Total				8,59,045	1	8			
				12,22,021	14	4			
				4,00,000	14	10			

* Market value on the 31st March 1896 at Rs. 184 = Rs. 4,30,456.
 N.B.—These balances exclude Rs. 500 with the Traffic Manager for meeting daily Porters' charges, and Rs. 12 with the Cashier for meeting charges on account of Postage and Receipt stamps.

5. Read G.O., No. 210, Marine, dated 28th March 1896, approving, with remarks, and for crediting to the Financial Department for sanction, the budget estimates of receipts and charges of the Madras Harbour Trust for 1896-97.
 Resolved that the consideration of the above Government Order be deferred till Government issue orders under paragraph 10.

6. Read letter No. 63, dated 22nd April 1896, from the Board's Engineer replying to the Chairman's inquiry as to what would be his requirements for the current and ensuing month, a balance of only Rs. 28,000-6-1 (of which Rs. 933-3-11 stands to the credit of the Chairman's construction account) will be available under the supplemental estimate for completing the harbour on the sum of Rs. 22,000 being placed at the Engineer's disposal as a credit for work already done irrespective of construction.

Read minutes by Trustees.
 Resolved that the repairs to the south arm be taken up at once. The necessary funds to be provided from Revenue as an advance to Capital to be repaid hereafter; charges for moorings, approximately Rs. 22,000, to be met in the same way. Purchase of Indiarubber hose be sanctioned. The Engineer will be asked to report whether he cannot obtain the cement locally and at what cost.

7. Read letter No. 65, dated 23rd April 1896, from the Board's Engineer requesting to arrange for a supply of one hundred tons of coal for the Madras Harbour Works.
 Sanctioned.

8. Read letter No. 804-406 M., dated 22nd April 1896, from the Presidency Port Officer requesting that the R.I.M.S. "Canning," on her arrival on or about the 1st proximo, be placed along side the north arm of the harbour for the convenience of the Military authorities, landing and embarking troops, &c.
 Read letters dated 23rd and 24th April 1896 from the Board's Engineer and the Acting Deputy Port Conservator replying to a reference made to them.

Resolved that the Trustees regret that, owing to the state of work on the north arm, they are unable to accede to the request of the Presidency Port Officer.

9. Read G.O., No. 259, Marine, dated 21st April 1896, sanctioning the acting appointment of Mr. Hutchence as Secretary and that of Mr. Lloyd as Traffic Manager, Harbour Trust Board, during the absence of Mr. Plesent on privilege leave.
 Recorded. The Trustees direct that Mr. Cassin, Acting Deputy Traffic Manager, be permitted to draw "outfits" as on the former occasion when he acted.

10. Read G.O., No. 1171 W., Public Works, dated 2nd April 1896, authorising the Consulting Architect to complete the building intended for a public warehouse at Madras, an estimate for which was sanctioned in G.O., No. 1178 W., dated 28th April 1893, and the requisite funds ordered to be applied for in due course.
 Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the Chairman is invited to request Government to postpone the completion of the building in question until such time as the harbour improvements scheme has been finally settled.

11. The following papers having been circulated were ordered to be recorded:—
 Letter No. 816, dated 20th April 1896, from Commander W. Ayes, R.I.M., reporting that, in accordance with the instructions received from the Director of the Royal Indian Marine, he took over the duties of Acting Deputy Conservator of the Port of Madras on the afternoon of that date.
 Letter from the Manager of "Transport," dated London, 23rd March 1896, inquiring whether the Board can allow him to insert in issue of that paper the advantages of the Madras Port.

G.O., No. 211, Marine, dated 27th March 1896, sanctioning the proposed reduction of the rate of harbour dues upon salt exported from Madras, and directing publication of a notification in the Port St. George Gazette.

G.O., No. 223, Marine, dated 1st April 1896, directing the Accountant-General and the Presidency Port Officer to submit a statement showing the correct balances of Port and Marine funds, in view to the necessary transfer of funds and adjustment of accounts appertaining to the year 1894-95 being carried out.

G.O., No. 228, Marine, dated 2nd April 1896, directing that the note by the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, affording further information as to the nature of the audit of the Harbour Works accounts carried out by him, be forwarded to the Government of India.
 G.O., No. 1220 W., Public Works, dated 7th April 1896, directing that the progress report of the Madras Harbour Works for the quarter ending 31st December 1895 be forwarded for the information of the Government of India and the Secretary of State.

12. Examined Madras Bank pass-books showing to credit the following amounts:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Revenue	57,365	7	3
Construction	953	3	11
Engineer's	6,312	10	0
Deposit	4,624	12	9
Bidden Home	1,908	10	4
Petty Cash	348	2	0
Provident Fund	9,492	10	1
Cooly Provident Fund Account	839	0	6

D. McN. CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
 Joint Secretary to Government.

Harbour Trust Office,

MADRAS, 14th May 1896

No. 617

FROM

W. Austin Esq J. L. S.

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,

MADRAS.

TO

The Honble Col. D. McNeil Campbell Esq
Joint SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Marine Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to
submit herewith for the information
of Government, a printed copy of
the minutes of the proceedings of the
Harbour Trust Board's meeting held
on 24th April 1896.

I have the honour to be
Sir

Yours obedient servant

W. Austin

Chairman

Harbour Trust Board

ag. Secy.

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