

Marine (1896) Department.

G.O., No. 431 Marine

DATED 16 June
1896

[Despatch Abstract.]

Proc. of the H. J. B's meeting: Letter
from the Chairman submitting a copy
of the minutes of the — held on
22nd May 1896, recorded.

Submitting a printed
Copy of the Proceedings of
the H & R's meeting held
on 22nd May '96

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NOTIFICATION.

Ootacamund, June 9, 1896.

No. 36.—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 22nd May 1896, are published:—

Present:

Mr. Ware Austin, I.C.S., Chairman.
Mr. W. S. Shaw.
Mr. H. Scott.
Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M.
Mr. F. J. Wilson.

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

Read the minutes of the proceedings of the last meeting held on Friday, 8th May 1896.
Approved as amended.

2. Read letter No. 983, dated 18th May 1896, from the Acting Deputy Port Conservator requesting that the Government may be addressed to change the official designation of his office to that of "Port Officer and Deputy Conservator of Madras."

Read minute by a Trustee.
Resolved that the Government be addressed on the subject.

3. Read letter No. 68 A, dated 25th April 1896, from the Board's Engineer replying to memorandum No. 76 E, dated 18th February, from the Joint Secretary to Government, Marine Department, regarding recorded variations in the depth of the roadstead.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that a copy of the Engineer's report be submitted to Government with the request that the Government will, if they see fit, address the Government of India with a view to the ordering of a survey of the harbour and roadstead as soon as the weather permits by the Marine Survey of India. The Chairman is further invited to address Government regarding the necessity at all of harbour protective works.

4. Read progress report of the Board's Engineer upon the reconstruction of the harbour for the quarter ending 31st March 1896.
Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that this report be submitted to Government. The Chairman is invited to address Government with reference to paragraph 26 of the report.

5. Read G.O., No. 226, Marine, dated 1st April 1896, communicating, for consideration and submission of revised proposals, remarks in the Financial Department on the subject of raising, by means of debentures, a 3½ per cent. loan, repayable in 30 years, in order to repay the debt due to Government and to provide funds for harbour improvements.

Examined Revised Financial Forecast based on the instructions given in the G.O., R. No. 306, Financial, dated 17th March 1896, embodied in the above Government Order.

Resolved that this revised proposal be submitted to Government. The Trustees hope that Government will now sanction the raising of the loan by issue of debentures.

6. Read G.O., No. 309, Marine, dated 5th May 1896, communicating, for remarks, the draft Bill received from the Government of India regarding the exemption from tolls of persons and property belonging to the army.

Read minute by a Trustee.

Resolved that the Trustees have no remarks to offer.
7. Read letter No. 1217-542 M., dated 21st May 1896, from the Presidency Port Officer inquiring whether the Harbour Trustees, in their capacity as Conservator of the Port, would have any objection to the Deputy Port Conservator being authorised by Government to perform the duties of Agent for Government Consignments and Personal Assistant to the Presidency Port Officer in addition to his own duties during the absence on leave of Mr. H. D. Baddeley.

Read minute by a Trustee.

Resolved that the Trustees have no objection to offer to the proposal of the Presidency Port Officer.

8. Read G.O., No. 311, Marine, dated 6th May 1896, directing the Harbour Trust Board to explain the grounds on which their resolution No. 10, dated 24th April, is based, there being nothing before Government to show in what manner the harbour improvements scheme will interfere with the construction of the public warehouse.

Read minute by a Trustee.

Read also letter No. 366, dated 27th April 1896, from the Chairman, to the Joint Secretary to Government, Marine Department, replying in the terms of the Trustee's minute.
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9. The following Government Orders having been circulated were ordered to be recorded:—
No. 278, Marine, dated 24th April 1896, directing that the cost of the extension seawards of the main drain near the Fort, Madras, be borne by Government, and the President of the Madras Municipal Commission be requested to arrange for the early execution of the work.

No. 281, Marine, dated 27th April 1896, sanctioning, with remarks, the expenditure of Rs. 605-7-0 for putting down screw moorings within the Madras Harbour.
No. 270, Marine, dated 22nd April 1896, directing that the letter from the Chairman, Harbour Trust Board, stating that it does not appear desirable to exempt railway materials from the levy of demurrage, be communicated to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.

No. 296, Marine, dated 29th April 1896, observing that it would probably be cheaper to allow the erosion to the north of the Madras Harbour to proceed than to spend over 2½ lakhs on revetment, and requesting that the President of the Municipal Commission be called on to report on certain points in connection with the Black Town Sewage farm.

No. 267, Marine, dated 22nd April 1896, directing publication in the Fort St. George and Maritime District Gazettes despatch from the Secretary of State forwarding copy of Her Majesty's Order in Council exempting from re-measurement for tonnage certain merchant ships of the German Empire.

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

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Revenue	Account	..	..	..	..	75,835	11	10
Engineer's	do.	..	..	..	..	3,050	7	8
Deposit	do.	..	..	..	..	3,278	12	5
Biden Home	do.	..	..	..	..	1,967	14	4
Petty Cash	do.	..	..	..	..	281	12	8
Provident Fund	do.	..	..	..	..	10,751	15	1
Cooly Provident Fund	Account	..	..	..	..	928	3	10

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

Harbour Trust Office,

MADRAS, 11th June 1896

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FROM

Ware Austin Esq J. C. S.

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,

MADRAS.

TO

The Honble Mr. J. C. Mac Neil Campbell Esq.

Joint SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Marine Department.

Sir,

I have the honor 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 22nd May 1896.

I have the honor to be

Yours

Most obedient servant

W. Austin

Chairman
Harbour Trust Board

P. Secy.

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