

G.O., No. 283 Mar

DATED 23rd March 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Proc. of the M.T. Board's meeting Letter from
the Chairman Submitting a copy of the
minutes of the - held on 26th February
1897, recorded. //

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Submitting copy of
proceedings of the Harbour
Trust Board's meeting
held on 26th February 1902

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NOTIFICATION.

Fort St. George, March 16, 1897.

No. 67.—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 26th February 1897, are published:—

Present:

Mr. J. F. Davies.
Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.
Mr. Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.
M.R.Ry. C. Kaliyanasundaram Chetty, Rai Bahadur.
Mr. Ware Austin, I.C.S., Chairman.
Mr. C. B. Simpson.
Mr. H. Scott.
Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M.
Mr. F. J. Wilson.

Read G.O., No. 127, Marine, dated 13th February 1897, accepting the resignation of Mr. W. S. Shaw as a Trustee of the Madras Harbour.

Recorded.
2. Read and approved the minutes of the proceedings at the last regular meeting held on Friday, 5th February, and of the special meeting held on 19th idem.

Ordered to be recorded.
3. The report of the Committee appointed by the Board at its meeting of 22nd January 1897, to enquire into the alleged shortage of coal ex S.S. "Graffoe," was discussed and ordered to be recorded.

Draft letter to Messrs. Best & Co. was approved as amended.
4. Read letter No. 278, dated 15th February 1897, from the Deputy Port Conservator, requesting that sanction may be accorded to the entertainment of a fourth Harbour Master for reasons given.

Read minutes by Trustees.
Resolved that the Board approves of the appointment of an Assistant Harbour Master on a salary not exceeding Rs. 250 per mensem. The Chairman is requested to address Government.

5. Read draft letter to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, suggesting an amendment in section 45, Madras Act II of 1886, similar to the amendment made in section 43 of the Bombay Port Trust Act VI of 1879 by Bombay Act VI of 1883.

Approved.
6. Read letter, dated Glasgow, 28th January, from Messrs. Cayzer, Irvine & Co., managing owners, Clan Line of Steamers, bringing to notice the disadvantages of the present system of unloading ships at Madras by lighters; and suggesting that deep water docks should be built to accommodate eight steamers, extra Harbour dues being charged for their use, to the extent of present rates of boat-hire.

Read minutes by Trustees.
Resolved that Messrs. Cayzer, Irvine & Co. be informed that their letter will receive due consideration.

7. Read demi-official letter, dated 20th February, from the Secretary to Government, Marine Department addressed to the Chairman regarding the Board's proposals in reference to harbour improvements.

Read minutes by Trustees.
Resolved that the Chairman is requested to reply in the sense of the Trustees' minutes and of paragraph 14 (b) of his letter, No. 3771, dated 4th December 1896.

8. Read G.O., No. 113, Marine, dated 11th February 1897, directing that no charge should be made for the dredger "Wenlock" until delivery to the Harbour Trust, and enquiring whether the Board objects to wait until she has completed her present work, and has been docked and repaired.

Resolved that the Board has no objection to await delivery as proposed; the Chairman is requested to address Government.

9. Read draft letter to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, submitting report for the quarter ending 31st December 1896.

Approved.
10. Read draft letter to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, with reference to the proposed issue of a debenture loan.

Approved.
11. Statements of receipts and charges, Revenue Account, for the month of January 1897, and from 1st April 1896 to 31st January 1897, having been circulated were ordered to be recorded as follows:—

Statement of Receipts and Charges for the month of January 1897.		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Opening balance—							
Government securities (par value Rs. 6,13,900).		45,407	5	6			
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras		6,433	12	2			
2. General cash in office		500	0	0			
3. Advance for contingencies					52,341	1	8
Receipts.							
I. Contributions from Port Funds							
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii).		23,504	4	4			
Pier do. do. do.		6,069	6	8			
Beach exports: do. do. do.		2,537	14	11			
Pier do. do. do.		3,633	6	11			
Wharfage: do. II		430	0	0			
Craneage: do. III		3,775	0	7			
Storage: do. IV		63	15	11			
Demurrage: do. V		14	3	6			
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (e), VI		1,458	9	6			
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i)		54	10	0			
Rent of properties		46	5	6			
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head		448	8	0			
Penalties under section 84		6	0	0			
Sundries					42,042	5	10
Carried over					94,383	7	6
					6,38,456	0	0

Harbour Trust Office,
MADRAS, 19th March 1897.

No. 5547

FROM

W. A. Austin Esq. D. L. S.

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,
MADRAS.

TO

The Hon. J. D. McNeil Campbell R. S.
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 26th February 1897.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours obed^t. Servant

Secy.

Chairman
Harbour Trust Board

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		Brought forward ..		A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	
VIII. Contingencies—cont.						3,81,913 3 11			
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—									
Overtime fees to establishment ..				3,387 11 1					
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen.				2,408 10 1					
Miscellaneous				6,090 9 1					
						11,886 14 3			
IX. Petty construction and repairs—									
New works				107 2 3					
Repairs				5,676 9 10					
Tools and plant				220 0 0					
						6,002 12 1			
X. Porters—									
1. Establishment				7,692 13 11					
2. Coolies, Beach				38,939 9 9					
3. Do. Pier				17,621 5 5					
4. Do. Custom-house				10,959 6 8					
5. Coasting cargo				1,198 11 10					
6. Cart-hire				624 6 9					
7. Steam crane charges				1,518 14 8					
8. Refunds				4,546 14 8					
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo				1,185 6 2					
10. Contribution to Government for pensions				17 1 6					
11. Contribution to Provident Fund				21 11 9					
12. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages				1,042 8 5					
13. Do. contributions by the Trust				1,042 8 5					
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—						86,411 6 11			
Postage									
Receipt stamps									
Furniture				13 13 0					
Tarpaulins				1,473 12 8					
Law charges									
Stationery and Printing				458 15 9					
Lighting pier and yards				1,800 12 7					
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—						3,247 6 0			
Overtime fees to establishment.				1,718 1 11					
Miscellaneous				2,673 1 1					
XI. Advances to Construction account						4,391 3 0			
Government securities purchased (Rs. 2,50,000)						1,00,978 12 5			
Government securities sold						2,67,311 8 0			
Total Expenditure									
Closing balance on the 31st January 1897—						8,66,143 2 7			
Government securities (par value Rupees 6,63,900)									
Cash in the Bank of Madras				17,740 5 6		6,90,456 0 0 @ 104 7/8			
General cash in office				229 15 3					
Advance for contingencies				500 0 0					
Total						18,470 4 9			
						8,73,613 7 4		6,90,466 0 0	

N.B.—These balances exclude Rs. 500 with the Traffic Manager for meeting daily Porters charges and Rs. 15 with the Cashier for meeting charges on account of Postage and of Receipt stamps.

12. Revised estimate for 1896-97, and estimate of Receipts and Charges, Biden Home Account, for 1897-98, having been printed and circulated were approved.

13. The following Government Orders were laid upon the Board's table and ordered to be recorded:—

Nos. 186, 186-A M., Local and Municipal, dated 10th February 1897.
No. 88, Marine, dated 2nd February 1897.
No. 112, Marine, dated 10th February 1897.

14. Madras Bank pass-books were laid upon the Board's table showing to credit the following amounts:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Revenue Account	41,364	12	6
Construction Account	3,097	11	0
Engineer's Account	279	12	11
Deposit Account	903	9	4
Biden Home Account	1,578	5	8
Petty Cash Account	255	6	5
Provident Fund Account	3,192	9	9
Cooly Provident Fund Account	378	5	7

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

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