

Marine (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 156 Mar

DATED 3rd March 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Proceedings of the Harbour Trust Board's meeting:
Letter from the Chairman Submitting a copy
of the minutes of the - held on 4. Febry 1898
Recorded.

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G.O.	No.	Department	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Submitting a printed copy
of the minutes of the pro-
ceedings of the Harbor
Trust Board Meeting
held on 4/2/98.

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NOTIFICATION.

Fort St. George, February 22, 1898.

No. 9.—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 4th February 1898, are published:—

Present :

Mr. J. N. Atkinson, *Chairman*.
 „ H. Scott.
 „ C. B. Simpson.
 „ A. J. Yorke.

Mr. R. Harper.
 „ F. J. Wilson.
 „ Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.
 „ Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.

Read letter, No. 1730-115 M., dated 2nd February 1898, from Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M., intimating that, as he is leaving Madras on duty, 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, 21st January 1898.

Ordered to be recorded.

3. Statements of receipts and charges, Revenue Account, for the month of December 1897, and from 1st April to 31st December 1897, were ordered to be recorded as follows:—

Statement of Receipts and Charges for the month of December 1897.

Opening balance—

Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900)
at 101 per cent.

Do. purchased (par value Rs. 2,21,100)

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1.	Cash in the Bank of Madras	"
2.	General cash in office	"

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2. General cash in office	..	..
3. Advance for contingencies	..	..

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4. Do. Engineer's Department	..	..

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RS.	A.	F.	RS.	A.	F.	RS.	A.	F.
..						4,98,839	0	0
..			..			2,22,619	6	0
9,093	10	9						
591	9	3						
500	0	0						
500	0	0						
			10,685	4	0			

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward ..				20,314	13	0			
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—									
Postage ..									
Receipt stamps ..									
Furniture ..									
Tarpaulins ..									
Law charges ..									
Stationery and Printing ..									
Lighting pier and yards ..									
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—									
Overtime fees to establishment ..									
Miscellaneous ..	204	9	3						
XI. Capital account—									
Major works—									
(a) Harbour Improvements ..									
(b) Moorings ..									
(c) Other new works ..									
(d) Other debit transactions—									
(i) Acquisition of land ..									
(ii) Protective works ..									
(e) Tools and plant ..									
(f) Contingencies ..									
Government securities purchased ..									
Government securities sold ..									
Total Expenditure ..									
Closing balance on the 31st December 1897—									
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900) at 101 per cent. ..				20,612	8	3			
Do. purchased (par value Rs. 2,21,100). ..							4,98,839	0	0
Cash in the Bank of Madras ..							2,22,619	6	0
General cash in office ..	31,738	3	8						
Advance for contingencies ..	2,941	6	3						
Do. Engineer's Department ..	500	0	0						
Total ..				35,679	9	11			
				56,292	2	2	7,21,458	6	0

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 of Receipt stamps.

Statement of Receipts and Charges from 1st April to 31st December 1897.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Opening balance—									
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900) at 101 per cent. ..									
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras ..	3,35,794	2	0				4,98,839	0	0
2. General cash in office ..	247	11	5						
3. Advance for contingencies ..	500	0	0						
4. Do. Engineer's Department ..									
Total ..				3,36,541	13	5			
Receipts.									
I. Contributions from Port funds ..									
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii). ..				38,042	13	8			
Pier do. do. ..	1,67,523	5	5						
Beach exports: do. do. ..	68,586	10	0						
Pier do. do. ..	17,938	0	11						
Wharfage: do. II ..	29,163	14	3						
Craneage: do. III ..	5,781	2	1						
Storage: do. IV ..	37,812	13	10						
Demurrage: do. V ..	972	3	5						
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (c), VI ..	333	3	9						
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i) ..	9,452	7	3						
Rent of properties ..	444	8	0						
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head. ..	487	1	0						
Penalties under section 84 ..	5,032	12	0						
Sundries ..	15	8	0						
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—									
Beach ..	744	0	4						
Pier ..									
Miscellaneous ..									
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes ..				3,44,287	10	3			
Amount transferred from Construction account to Revenue in payment of amount advanced for Construction during 1896-97 ..				99,019	2	1			
Cost of Government securities purchased. ..				13,002	6	9			
Proceeds of Government securities sold ..				11,404	15	6	2,22,619	6	0
Total ..				8,37,298	13	8	7,21,458	6	0

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Receipts.									
I. Contributions from Port Funds ..									
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii). ..				19,770	9	5			
Pier do. do. ..				6,951	13	8			
Beach exports: do. do. ..				1,149	8	7			
Pier do. do. ..				2,733	0	0			
Wharfage: do. II ..				500	0	0			
Craneage: do. III ..				3,194	4	11			
Storage: do. IV ..				59	8	6			
Demurrage: do. V ..				55	9	6			
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (c), VI ..				822	7	2			
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i) ..				36	8	0			
Rent of properties ..				48	3	9			
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head. ..				559	0	0			
Penalties under section 84 ..									
Sundries ..				534	5	1			
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—									
Beach ..				5,089	11	2			
Pier ..				4,037	12	6			
Miscellaneous ..				13	9	7			
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes ..							50	14	4
Cost of Government Securities purchased. ..									
Proceeds of Government Securities sold. ..									
Total ..							56,292	2	2
							7,21,458	6	0

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Charges.									
I. Interest (under section 30) ..									
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 31 ..									
III. Refunds ..				170	1	6			
IV. Engine haulage ..				420	0	0			
V. Fees to Trustees ..				266	10	8			
VI. Chairman's allowance ..				100	0	0			
Local Consulting Engineer's allowance ..							956	12	1
VII. Establishment—									
1. Secretary's salary ..				1,000	0	0			
2. Correspondence Department ..				334	0	0			
3. Accounts Department ..				650	0	0			
4. Cash Department ..				455	13	7			
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff) ..				2,058	6	11			
6. Preventive service ..				673	7	1			
7. Do. boatmen ..				112	5	8			
8. Tidal Observatory ..				40	0	0			
9. Exchange compensation allowance ..				248	8	3			
10. Contribution to Government for pensions. ..				10	0	0			
11. Contribution to Provident Fund ..				1,738	9	10			
12. Engineer's Department ..							7,816	3	4
VIII. Contingencies—									
(a) Subject to regular audit—									
Postage ..				2	15	8			
Receipt stamps ..				6	13	0			
Telegrams ..									
Furniture ..									
Fees for audit ..									
Law charges ..				80	1	0			
Stationery and Printing ..									
Advertisement charges ..									
Uniform for Preventive service, &c. ..							89	13	8
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—									
Overtime fees to establishment ..				346	0	10			
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen ..				152	2	2			
Miscellaneous ..				275	3	10			
IX. Petty construction and repairs—							773	6	10
New works ..				2,695	1	6			
Repairs ..									
Tools and plant ..							2,695	1	6
X. Portage—									
1. Establishment ..				1,005	8	0			
2. Coolies, Beach ..				3,138	6	10			
3. Do. Pier ..				1,687	10	6			
4. Do. Custom-house ..				1,231	13	4			
5. Coasting cargo ..				213	11	10			
6. Cart-hire ..				64	13	0			
7. Steam crane charges ..				145	10	0			
8. Refunds ..				622	15	7			
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo ..				108	3	0			
10. Contribution to Government for pensions ..									
11. Contribution to Provident Fund ..									
12. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages ..				132	5	9			
Do. contributions by the Trust ..				132	5	9			
Total ..							8,483	7	7
Carried over ..							20,314	13	0

Charges.		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
I. Interest (under section 80)	..	..	..	..	2,24,065	2	11	..	..	..
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 31	..	..	..	..	1,00,000	0	0	..	..	..
III. Refunds	..	1,787	5	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
IV. Engine haulage	..	5,264	8	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
V. Fees to Trustees	..	4,590	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI. Chairman's allowance	..	3,500	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Local Consulting Engineer's allowance	..	300	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
VII. Establishment—					15,541	13	6			
1. Secretary's salary	..	8,800	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
2. Correspondence Department	..	2,959	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
3. Accounts Department	..	5,530	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Cash Department	..	4,228	10	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff)	..	17,987	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Preventive service	..	6,154	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
7. Do. boatmen	..	1,000	5	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Tidal Observatory	..	355	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
9. Exchange compensation allowance.	..	2,538	0	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	..	591	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
11. Contribution to Provident Fund	..	216	15	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
12. Engineer's Department	..	18,335	13	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
VIII. Contingencies—					68,596	15	9			
(a) Subject to regular audit—										
Postage	..	52	7	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Receipt stamps	..	168	5	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Telegrams	..	17	10	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Furniture	..	138	4	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fees for audit	..	2,400	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Law charges	..	2,018	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stationery and Printing	..	3,503	3	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Advertisement charges	..	290	14	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Uniform for Preventive service, &c.	..	1,589	12	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—					10,178	7	4			
Overtime fees to establishment	..	3,256	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen.	..	1,896	0	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	14,849	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
IX. Petty construction and repairs—					20,601	7	10			
New works	..	10,354	10	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
Repairs	..	29,864	15	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tools and plant	..	531	7	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
X. Portage—					40,751	1	1			
1. Establishment	..	9,031	10	2	..	..	..	..	..	..
2. Coolies, Beach	..	43,788	14	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
3. Do. Pier	..	15,599	0	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Do. Custom-house	..	11,683	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Coasting cargo	..	1,484	2	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Cart-hire	..	616	8	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
7. Steam crane charges	..	2,079	0	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Refunds	..	4,923	6	3	..	..	..	..	..	..
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo	..	1,324	10	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	..	17	1	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
11. Contribution to Provident Fund	..	12	4	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
12. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages.	..	1,130	11	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
13. Do. contributions by the Trust	..	1,130	11	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—					92,621	2	3			
Postage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Receipt stamps	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Furniture	..	18	13	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tarpaulins	..	1,474	14	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Law charges	..	52	8	0	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stationery and Printing	..	1,038	4	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lighting pier and yards	..	1,578	6	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—					4,157	15	1			
Overtime fees to establishment.	..	2,023	5	9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	901	15	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
XI. Capital account—					2,925	5	4			
Major works—										
(a) Harbour Improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(b) Moorings	..	1	0	6	..	..	..	..	..	..
(c) Other new works	..	34	11	11	..	..	..	..	..	..
(d) Other debit transactions—										
(i) Acquisition of land	..	24	10	8	..	..	..	..	..	..
(ii) Protective works	..	—	0	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
(e) Tools and plant	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(f) Contingencies	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carried over	..	..	..	..	60	6	8			
					5,78,999	13	9			

RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Brought forward	..	..	5,78,999	13	9	..	..	..
Government securities purchased (Rs. 2,21,100)	..	..	2,22,619	6	0	..	..	..
Government securities sold	..	..	8,01,619	8	9	..	..	..
Total Expenditure	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Closing balance on the 31st December 1897—						4,98,839	0	0
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900) at 101 per cent.	..	..	..	..	..	2,22,619	6	0
Do. purchased (par value Rs. 2,21,100)	..	..	31,738	3	8	..	..	..
Cash in the Bank of Madras	..	..	2,941	6	3	..	..	..
General cash in office	..	..	500	0	0	..	..	..
Advance for contingencies	..	..	500	0	0	..	..	..
Do. Engineer's Department	..	..	85,679	9	11	..	..	..
Total	..	..	8,37,298	13	8	7,21,458	6	0

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 of Receipt stamps.

4. The audit report of the Accountant-General, No. 20, dated 6th January 1898, upon the Board's Revenue Accounts for the year 1896-97, and Government Order thereon, No. 56, Marine, dated 21st idem, recording the same with remarks, were ordered to be recorded.

It is observed that the Capital Advance Account has already been opened as suggested. Rule 14 of Provident Fund rules will be amended by substituting the words "on 31st March each year" for "at the date when each such forfeiture takes place."

5. Read and discussed draft rules defining the relations between the Sea Customs authorities and the Harbour Trust Board, framed in accordance with paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 861, Revenue, dated 9th October 1897, and letter from the Government of India forwarding the opinion of the Advocate-General, Bengal, on the subject of investing the Harbour Trust Board with certain powers similar to those exercised by the Port Trust at Bombay.

Read minute by a Trustee.
Resolved that the rules as drawn up are approved. The Board is of opinion that they should be considered in the light of departmental instructions as they merely regulate the relations between the two bodies concerned, and will be liable to revision hereafter when the Board's warehousing premises are extended.

6. Read draft reply to memo. No. 747 E., dated 13th December 1897, from the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, regarding the purchase of a steam disinfecting apparatus for the Port of Madras, as the Government of India insists upon the purchase from Port funds of an apparatus for use at this port; and enquiring whether the Board has any steam boiler which could be used for the purpose.

Resolved that Government be informed that the Board can lend a boiler, and the necessary establishment; but that it objects to the disinfector being located in the busv part of the Board's premises, and recommends that a moveable apparatus which could be used adloat, or wherever else required, should be obtained.

The Trustees are further of opinion that the whole cost should not be charged to Port Funds.
7. Read letter, No. 27 H., dated 31st January 1898, from Commander W. Aves, R.I.M., Deputy Port Conservator, applying for sixty days' privilege leave.

Read minutes by Trustees.
Sanctioned subject to the approval of Government.
8. Read G.O., No. 57, Marine, dated 21st January 1898, directing the transfer to the South Indian Railway, on the conditions specified by the Harbour Trust Board, of that portion of its land required by the company for the purpose of erecting a goods shed at the Madras Beach station.
Read also letter, No. 4725, dated 2nd February 1898, from the Chairman, to the Agent, South Indian Railway Company, proposing to direct the Board's Engineer to remove the blocks.

Recorded.
9. Read draft reply to memo. No. 751 E., dated 15th December 1897, from the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, requesting an expression of opinion as to whether the landing and shipping of gunpowder inside the Harbour should be prohibited altogether, or whether there should be a limit of quantity.

Read minutes by Trustees.
Resolved that the Trustees consider that not more than five cwt. of gunpowder should be landed or shipped from or to any one vessel inside the Harbour. The draft reply amended to this effect is approved.

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

	RS.	A.	P.
Revenue Account	..	..	28,829 3 1
Construction Account	..	..	34,866 13 7
Deposit Account	..	..	1,187 6 9
Biden Home Account	..	..	1,036 12 6
Petty Cash Account	..	..	453 13 0
Provident Fund Account	..	..	1,753 2 7
Cooly Provident Fund Account	..	..	861 14 10

W. B. DEWINTON,
Ag. Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

Harbour Trust Office,

MADRAS, 25th February 1898.

No. 5041

FROM

J. N. Atkinson Esq I. C. S.,

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD.

MADRAS.

To

W.B.DeWinton Esq.,

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

Marine Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

J. H. Atkinson

Chairman.

Secy.

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