

- (1) பக்கங்களின் எண்ணிக்கை 8
 (2) புதுக்கித் திருப்பிய நாள் 21-10-1990
 (3) ஆதாரங்குறிப்பவர் கருக்கொப்பம் 10/10

தமிழ்நாடு ஆவணக் காப்பகம்.

தமிழ்நாடு அரசு

பெங்களூர் துறை

அரசாணை எண்.	2670	அச்சகம்
மு. கோப்புத் தாள் எண்.		பலவகை
நாள் :	10-10-1890	198

மடிக்கவேண்டிய கையாளவோ கூடாது

10/10

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 20th May 1889, Mis. No. 624 M., Local and Municipal.

Read—the following papers :—

From M.R.Ry. P. RATNASABAPATHI PILLAI Avargal, Rai Bahadur, Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Divisional officer and the Collector of Tanjore), dated Negapatam, 6th September 1888, No. 551.

I have the honor to submit the memorial (in original) addressed to this Municipal Council by about 2,500 rate-payers of this town, together with the papers noted in the margin, and request that the subject therein referred to may receive the favorable consideration of Government.

Memorandum, dated 2nd July 1888, by the Chairman, recommending the submission of the memorial to Government.

Resolution of the Municipal Council, dated 4th July 1888.

Resolution of the Taluk Board of Negapatam, dated 4th August 1888.

Resolution of the Municipal Council, dated 29th August 1888.

2. The memorialists pray that a bridge may be constructed in the place of the existing ferry over the Uppanar, and the reasons therefore are stated in detail in the memorial and my memorandum. The Council are of opinion that the growing importance of the town and its present overcrowding render it imperative that the proposed bridge should be constructed in view to enable large numbers of the population, who at present live in closely packed-up huts, to find commodious and healthy habitations beyond the river, and generally to facilitate the traffic with the villages on the other side. The Taluk Board of Negapatam concur in the opinion of this Council.

3. In regard to the cost of the proposed bridge, the Council beg respectfully to state that it is only just and proper that it should be borne by Government from Provincial funds as a large revenue has been realized by the existing ferry collections.

4. In conclusion, I trust that Government will be pleased to grant the prayer of the memorialists, supported by the Council, and direct the construction of the bridge in the place of the existing ferry.

No. 689-Munl.

Forwarded.

TRANQUEBAR,
24th September 1888.

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Acting Collector.

No. 921.

Referred to the Collector for report with special reference to paragraph 3 of the Chairman's letter.

(By Order.)

MADRAS,
24th October 1888.

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Ag. Asst. Secretary.

To the Collector of Tanjore.

From E. GIBSON, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Tranquebar, 1st April 1889, No. 193.

With reference to Government endorsement No. 921, dated 24th October 1888, on the Negapatam Municipal Chairman's letter, No. 551, dated 6th September 1888, enclosing a memorial from the inhabitants of the said town, I have the honor to report as follows.

2. The memorialists request that a bridge be constructed over the Uppanar in lieu of the present ferry, called Kaduvayar ferry, between the Negapatam town and the villages on the other side.

3. The necessity for a bridge and the advantages to be derived therefrom are clearly set forth in the Chairman's memorandum; and the Municipal Council and the Taluk Board, Negapatam, support his views. If the proposed bridge be constructed, there can be no doubt that it will be a great boon to the people of the town as well as those in the outlying villages.

4. A sketch showing the site of the ferry, &c., is herewith submitted together with a copy of the Head Assistant Collector's letter, No. 1396, dated 13th December 1888.

5. The provisions of the Canal and Ferry Act I of 1870 were applied to the ferry in question under Government Notification dated 10th January 1871, published in *Fort St. George Gazette* dated 17th January 1871; and the receipts from this ferry during the last 10 years are given in the margin, from which it will be seen that the average annual income amounts to Rs. 1,860. On a rough calculation the

receipts from the ferry during the last 18 years, since the introduction of the Act, amount to Rs. 33,480.

6. Under the impression that this sum goes entirely to Government, the Municipal Council urge that the cost of the bridge should be a charge on the Provincial revenues.

7. It appears that out of the net receipts under Canal and Ferry funds an annual contribution of not less than Rs. 5,000 is paid to the Local funds on account of the upkeep of the roads leading to the canals, leaving a small balance at its credit.

8. In these circumstances, I think that the charges of the construction of the bridge should be borne partly by the Municipal Council and partly by the District Board.

9. The papers received with the endorsement are herewith returned.

10. I regret the delay in reporting on this matter; it has been occasioned by references to ascertain the ferry collections for a series of years.

Order—dated 20th May 1889, Mis. No. 624 M., Local and Municipal.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that no portion of the cost of the proposed bridge over the Uppanar should fall on Government, which has derived no benefit from the ferry, nor on the Local Board, which, on completion of the work, will lose the revenue it has hitherto received from this source. If the bridge is constructed, the Municipal Council will doubtless put a toll on it, as it is just on the boundary of the municipality as at present constituted, and will thus gain a substantial income therefrom, while if the town should be extended to the south, and the municipal limits enlarged, the Council will obtain besides tolls on that side,

taxes on the extended portion. The Council should therefore bear the whole cost of the bridge. If under these circumstances they still desire its construction, the Public Works Department will be asked to prepare an estimate.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam,
through the Collector of Tanjore.
President, District Board, Tanjore.

G.O., dated 15th August 1889, Mis. No. 1032 M., Local and Municipal.

Read—the following paper:—

From M.R.Ry. P. RATNASABAPATHI PILLAI Avargal, Rai Bahadur, Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Collector of Tanjore and the Divisional officer), dated Negapatam, 20th June 1889, No. 371.

With reference to the orders of Government, Mis. No. 624 M., dated 20th May 1889, I have the honor to submit, herewith, an extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council and request that the Government will be pleased to give the subject their favorable consideration.

2. The contention of the Municipal Council is that, inasmuch as the roads leading to the canal have been made and are being maintained at their cost, and as no roads to it have been made or maintained by the Local funds, the net collections ought, under the principles under which Government have been acting, to be paid over to themselves in preference to the District Board. If the whole of the amount of the ferry collections that is now made over to the District Board cannot be transferred to the Municipal Council, I submit that at least two-thirds ought to go to the Municipality and the remaining one-third to the District Board on the principle now obtaining in the case of the toll collections on municipal limits.

3. If the Government be pleased to grant the prayer of the Council and transfer to them the whole of the ferry collections from its commencement they are prepared to undertake the construction of the bridge, which will be of immense advantage to the towns-people as well as to the outside villages, as it will create ample room on the other side of the river for the extension of the town which, in some parts, is at present overcrowded and filled with unwholesome huts. If, however, the transfer of the revenue to the municipality is sanctioned from the date of the order, it is proposed to start a Sinking fund with it, in view to the eventual construction of the bridge with the accumulated capital and its interest.

4. I trust that the position advanced by the Council will commend itself to Government, and that favorable orders will be passed.

Submitted. It has already been recommended in this office letter No. 1396, dated 13th December 1888, that a contribution equal to the total net receipts from the ferry, may fairly be given to the Council in aid of the proposed undertaking and I think that a Sinking fund may very well be started as proposed by the Chairman.

NEGAPATAM,
24th June 1889.

(Signed) E. H. CAMPBELL,
Ag. Head Assistant Collector.

	RS.	A.	P.	
1882-83	1,524	3	11	Against this amount, the District Board have spent Rs. 38,712-9-5 on the repair of the ferry roads in all the taluks of the district.
1883-84	10,015	2	1	
1884-85	12,797	5	9	
1885-86	8,084	7	7	
1886-87	1,948	12	4	5. The net amount credited to the Local Fund Board during the period of seven years in question is Rs. 56,000—
1887-88	2,407	12	0	38,712-9-5 or Rs. 17,287-6-7. But the District Board's claim to contribution rests also on the maintenance from Local funds of the roads which contribute traffic to the ferry roads.
1888-89	1,934	13	9	
Total	38,712	9	5	

funds of the roads which contribute traffic to the ferry roads.

From J. THOMSON, Esq., President, District Board, Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Vallam, 9th August 1890, No. 224.

With reference to Government official memorandum No. 238, dated 5th May 1890, I have the honor to furnish information on each of the points noticed therein:—

I. How many roads converge on the ferry in question? and of these, are any maintained by the Local Fund Board? and if so, at what yearly cost to Local funds since the commencement of the ferry?

1. There is only one road on the north of the Kaduvayar or Uppanar ferry maintained by the Negapatam Municipal Council; on the south side of it there is a cart track about five miles in length going to Velanganni and this is not maintained by either the Local Fund Board or Municipality.

II. What grounds has the President for saying that prior to the establishment of the ferry the road thither, now maintained by the Municipality, must have been made by Government? Did this road exist before the ferry was established?

2. The road has been measured in pymash (old survey), and from local inquiry it has been ascertained that it has been in existence long before 1871, the year in which the ferry was established. There is nothing to show that it was maintained by Government before 1871, nor that it was originally a made road.

III. What have been the total collections from the ferry in each year from its establishment? The President has only given the receipts since 1879, but the ferry appears to have been in existence since 1871.

3. No records are available to show distinctly what the collections of the Kaduvayar ferry were from 1871 to 1878, and in the absence of such statistics, the receipts of the subsequent years alone were already reported.

IV. What has been the expenditure in each year by the Revenue Department upon the ferry since its commencement? The President has only given particulars since 1880.

4. The information required is not available.

V. What is the proportion of the receipts of each ferry which is contributed to the District Board by the Revenue Department? This the President should be able to ascertain. If he is able to do so, the contribution on account of the ferry in question from its establishment for each year should be stated. It is observed that the President has shown the lump contribution only from 1882-83, and that the details amount to Rs. 39,800 and not to Rs. 56,000 as stated by him.

5. No rule or proportion appears to have been hitherto observed in fixing the contributions made to the District Board, the amount in each year having been estimated with reference to the balance under the Canal and Ferry fund taken as a whole for the district—vide also paragraph 4 of this office letter No. 83, dated 13th March 1890. The annual contributions from 1882-83, making up Rs. 56,000, are given below. It is not known where Government got the figure Rs. 39,800:—

	RS.
1882-83	18,000
1883-84	6,000
1884-85	8,000
1885-86	8,000
1886-87	5,500
1887-88	5,000
1888-89	5,500
Total	56,000

VI. What is the net amount credited to Local funds from the Uppanar ferry after deducting the expenditure (if any) incurred upon roads leading to that ferry alone? Details should be given for each year since the establishment of the ferry. The President has already shown the net credit on account of all the ferries in the district—a particular which was not required.

6* As no expenditure was incurred all along from Local funds on the road leading to the Kaduvayar ferry, the whole amounts realized must have formed the surplus made over to Local funds.

ORDER—dated 16th September 1890, No. 1364 M., Local and Municipal.

On a careful consideration of the papers read above, His Excellency the Governor in Council is not prepared to admit the claim of the Negapatam Municipal Council to receive the whole or two-thirds of the Uppanar ferry collections, which have been made over to the District Board in past years. No retrospective effect can be given to a claim of this character.

2. From the Collector's letter read above, it appears that the proposed bridge on the Uppanar is estimated to cost Rs. 40,675, a sum which the Council cannot raise except by means of a loan. If the Council can show that the receipts from a toll to be placed on the bridge after its completion will be sufficient to meet the interest and liquidate the principal of the cost of building the bridge, in 20 years, the Government will lend the required amount from Provincial funds and also make over to the Council the whole of any future receipts from the ferry.

(True Extract.)

W. B. B. B.
Chief Secretary.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam,
through the Collector of Tanjore.
President, District Board, Tanjore.
Collector of Tanjore, with 12 enclosures returned.
Public Works Department.
Financial Department.
Revenue Department.

Exd. P. L. Pereira.

P.W. C. No. 9407

Govt. of {1890} Madras.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL.

No. 2670 W & 10 Oct 1890

RB

Recorded
Recorded

6/10/90

S.O. 10

Issued

Recd. 4-10-90

Encl.

G.O., 16th Sept. 1890, No. 1364 M.

SEPTEMBER.

Bridge.

Declining to give retrospective effect to the claim of the Negapatam Municipal Council to receive the whole or two-thirds of the Uppanar ferry collections which have been made over to the District Board in past years and stating that the Government will lend from Provincial funds the amount required for the construction of a — over the Uppanar on the conditions specified.

To the Ch. Eng. for Inspr
to the Ch. Eng. for Inspr
S. E. V Circle
S. E. V Circle

2 copies 10/10

9/14/10

15/10

W. H. M.

with the