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 (3) ஆதாரங்குறிப்பவர் சுருக்கொப்பம் 10/90

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper:—

G.O., dated 28th March 1862, No. 383, Public.

ABSTRACT.—Directing publication of a list of holidays to be allowed at Government offices at the Presidency or in the Provinces.

READ—also the following papers:—

From T. W. RAWLINS, Esq., Accountant-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort Saint George, 8th May 1890, No. 1484.

With reference to a correction recently made in Article 254 of the Civil Service Regulations, I have the honor to enquire whether in cases when the last Saturday of the month is observed as a holiday, it may be treated as a gazetted holiday.

2. Until recently, Article 254 of the Civil Service Regulations permitted an officer whose leave or joining time expired on an "authorized" holiday, to take charge under certain conditions on the next working day, and for the purposes of this Article the last Saturday has hitherto been treated as an authorized holiday; for, although it has never in this Presidency appeared in the list of holidays for public offices published in the Gazette, Government Order, Public Department, No. 383, dated 28th March 1862, referring to that list, expressly provided that it was "not intended to interfere with the special indulgence of leave which it is usual in some offices to grant on * * * the last Saturday of the month."

3. The term "gazetted" has in the 3rd list of corrections been substituted for the term "authorized," and I now have the honor to enquire whether, as its enjoyment is recognized by the Government Order quoted, it may for the purpose of Article 254 be regarded as a gazetted holiday.

Reference on the above, dated 23rd May 1890.

With reference to the letter from the Accountant-General, No. 1484, dated 8th May 1890, the Board of Revenue is requested to submit a list of authorized holidays which should be treated as gazetted. The last Saturday of the month, or the 3rd Saturday which is believed to be taken in most mofussil offices, should be included.

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

From T. W. RAWLINS, Esq., Accountant-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort Saint George, 22nd May 1890, No. 1647.

In continuation of my No. 1484, dated the 8th May 1890, I have the honor to enquire whether I am right in holding that "Public holidays" gazetted as such under the Negotiable Instruments Act XXVI of 1881 should be treated as gazetted holidays for Government offices.

2. The last list of holidays for Government offices was published in the Gazette of the 28th March 1862, and it was therein directed that no holidays should be granted to any Government office which were not entered in it. But, in the Gazette of the 7th of January 1890, a list of days was published which were declared under Section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act to be "Public holidays" for the year 1890. As a holiday can scarcely be considered a public one on which all Government offices are open, it appears to me that the list of "Public holidays" under the Act should be taken with the list of holidays prescribed for offices in the Gazette of 1862, and I have the honor to enquire whether this conclusion is correct.

3. The only "Public" holidays not included in the list of holidays for Government offices are Whitsuntide and the Prince of Wales' Birthday.

Endorsement on the above, dated 29th May 1890.

Forwarded to the Board of Revenue, in continuation of Reference on Current No. 860, dated 23rd instant.

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

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 8th July 1890, No. 4291, Miscellaneous.

Read—References from Government, Financial Department, dated 23rd and 29th May 1890.

Resolution—dated 8th July 1890, No. 4291, Miscellaneous.

The Board begs to submit the list called for in the first of the foregoing references.

2. It will be observed that the Board recommends the inclusion of Whit Monday among authorized or gazetted holidays, as well as of the third or last Saturday in each month, as desired by Government, but is not prepared to recommend the inclusion of Whit Tuesday or of the Prince of Wales' Birthday, although these two days have been declared "Public holidays" under Act XXVI of 1881. The list of "Public holidays" under that Act was, the Board believes, drawn up to suit the convenience of the mercantile and trading community and has no necessary connection with the holidays permitted by Government to its servants, and declared to be "Gazetted holidays."

2. A return showing the holidays allowed in the several districts as well as the Saturday on which the usual monthly holiday is allowed in Collectors' offices is annexed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. G. CARDEW,
Ag. Secretary.

Reference on the above, dated 9th September 1890.

With reference to the list of holidays allowed in districts, forwarded with its Proceedings, No. 4291, dated 8th July 1890, the Board of Revenue is requested to explain at an early date the reason for the 3rd Saturday of the month being fixed as a holiday in so many mofussil offices. It is observed that the last Saturday is a holiday in only 4 districts, and the third Saturday or the last but one in the remaining 18.

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

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 4th October 1890, Mis. No. 6347.

Read—Reference on Nos. 860, 945 and 1195 of 1890 from Government, Public Department, dated 9th September 1890.

Resolution—dated 4th October 1890, Mis. No. 6347.

The Board has nothing on record, but it understands that the objection to the selection of the last Saturday as a holiday is the possibility of its interfering with the despatch of the monthly accounts.

2. These are made up in the taluks on the last day but one in each month, and are due in the Huzur on the last day. One or other of these days may very possibly be the last Saturday, in which case the preparation and despatch of the accounts would be interfered with.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. A. SIM,
Ag. Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department.

ORDER—dated 8th November 1890, No. 754, Public.

His Excellency the Governor in Council agrees with the opinion expressed by the Accountant-General in paragraph 2 of his letter, No. 1647, dated 22nd May 1890, that a holiday can scarcely be considered a public holiday on which all Government offices are open, and considers that the holidays gazetted under Act XXVI of 1881 should, as suggested by that officer, be included in the list of gazetted holidays prescribed for Government offices. The monthly holiday on Saturday will also be in future treated as a gazetted holiday. It appears from the second of the lists submitted by the Board of Revenue with its Proceedings, No. 4291, dated 8th July 1890, that in the majority of districts it has been usual to make the third Saturday in the month a holiday, the last Saturday being selected at the Presidency, on the Nilgiris, and in the districts of Ganjam and Vizagapatam. This is explained by the Board in its Proceedings, No. 6347, dated 4th October, to be due to the preparation of the monthly accounts, the despatch of which might be interfered with were the last Saturday a close day. As, however, there are usually several months in the year in which there are five Saturdays, the Government is of opinion that it will be advisable to select the last Saturday but one instead of the third Saturday for all Mufassal offices, the last Saturday being continued at the Presidency.

2. The list of holidays prescribed in G.O., dated 25th March 1862, No. 383 Public, revised with reference to the list submitted by the Board of Revenue and the observations in the preceding paragraph, will be circulated to the departments of the Secretariat and all heads of departments under the Chief Secretary and notified in the Fort St. George Gazette for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" the Public Works Department.
" the Military Department.
" the Local and Municipal Department.
" the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).
" the Accountant-General.
" all Heads of Departments.
Gazette.

Exd. A. Raitt.

[Statement.]

List of Gazetted Holidays in the Presidency.

General.	Christians.		Hindus.					Muhammadans.	
	General to Christians.	Roman Catholics.	General to Hindus.	Vishnava.	Siva.	Telugu.	Tamil.		
	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	
Christmas with New Year's Day.	14	Ash Wednesday.	1	Corpus Christi Day.	1	Pongal † ..	..	Bakr-id ..	2
Easter ..	6	Ascension Day.	1	Mahalaya Vasya.	1	Mahalaya Ama-vasya.	1	Muharram ..	4
Queen's Birthday ..	1			Lunar Eclipse ‡ ..	1	Lunar Eclipse ‡ ..	1	Shakabarat ..	1
Whitsuntide ..	2			Solar Eclipse ..	1	Solar Eclipse ..	1	Ramzan ..	2
Prince of Wales' Birthday.	1			Vaikunta Ekadasi.	1	Vaikunta Ekadasi.	1		
Pongal ..	1								
Avani Avattam ..	1								
Dasara ..	1								
Dipavali ..	1								
The last Saturday,* or the last Saturday but one, † in each month.	1								

* At the Presidency.

† In Mufassal Offices.

‡ Exclusive of the general holiday.

§ When falling between 8 A.M. and 6 P.M.

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Public Holidays.

Passing orders regarding the revised list of
Gazetted holidays in the Presidency.

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