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Public Works (1898) Department.

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G.O., No. 649—50

DATED 11th March 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Through telegraphic communication between Conjeevaram and Madras. The Director General of Telegraphs ordered to be addressed on the question of the establishment of

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The Director General of Telegraphs addressed accordingly.

D 11.3.98

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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
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Current No. 12483 of 1897, dated 14.12.97, from the Public Dept
" " [illegible]206 " 1897, " 21.12.97, " — do —
" " 332 " 1898, " 11-1-98, " the Financial Dept.
" " 148[illegible] " 98 " 14.2.98, " the Collector of Chingleput

ORDER.

No. 649 W 8 11-3-98

The Director General of Telegraphs will be addressed.

To the Collector of Chingleput.

D 12/3/98

A.S.H. 8.3.98

H.E. No. 650 W of 11-3-98

To the D.G. of Telegraphs

Sir,

The inhabitants of Conjeeveram, in the Chingleput district, having petitioned this Govt. for the establishment of through telegraphic communication between that place and Madras, to enable the merchant population to send telegrams by night, as well as by day, I am directed to forward the request for your favourable consideration.

2 - From a report from

P. W. 4.
500—27-1-98.

the Tahsildar of Conjeeveram, copy+ of which is forwarded herewith, it appears that on an average, 75 messages per mensem are despatched from the office, and 95 per mensem received; that the monthly revenue is about Rs. 74, and the monthly charges Rs. 23 - It is estimated that if the office is kept open at night, the additional revenue will be about Rs. 10 per mensem, and the additional charges Rs. 20. It thus appears that the monthly revenue will still be nearly double the ~~charges~~ working expenses, if the request be complied with. In these circumstances, I am directed to inquire whether any guarantee will be required, if the extension be carried out.

+ Dated 3rd Feby 1898

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Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1482

Order

From The Ag Collector
Chingleput Dist

Dis No. 406 of 1898.

Dated 14-2-98
Received 17-2-98
Enclosures 2
Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Forwarding the Conjeeveram tahsildar's arzi with its enclosure reporting on the financial prospects of the through telegraphic communication between Conjeeveram and Madras.

with K.O. papers
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Enclosure No 1 to 406 d/ 16-2-98

Traffic Statistics for 12 months from January 1897 to December 1897 of Conjeeveram Telegraph Office

Serial Number	Name of the Month	Traffic		Grand Total	Revenue			Remarks.
		Sent No	Received No					
1	January 97.	55	80	135	47	9	-	The present working hours of Conjeeveram Telegraph office are 5 a.m. ? to 11 a.m. ; 2 to 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. If the Telegraph office is to be kept open at nights also, the probable income will be about Rs 10 — and the charges will be about Rs 20 — as shown below. Another Signaller to work at night times .. Rs 15 — A peon ... Rs 4 — contingency for oil &c ... Rs 1 — Total Rs 20 —
2	February	49	68	117	54	11	-	
3	March	114	110	224	111	6	-	
4	April	92	104	196	97	10	-	
5	May	96	125	221	96	15	-	
6	June	59	93	152	51	2	-	
7	July	57	93	150	49	7	-	
8	August	75	93	168	71	6	-	
9	September	69	76	145	70	-		
10	October	73	85	158	90	1	-	
11	November	82	104	186	72	9	-	
12	December	79	114	193	74	8	-	
	Total	900	1145	2045	817	4	.	
	Monthly average	75	95	170	73	15	4	

CONJEEVERAM

D/ 28' January 1898

} Present charges

Sub Postmaster

One signaller on Rs 15
Tel. Peon Rs 4
House rent Rs 2
contingencies Rs 2
} Total Rs 23-as

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Enclosure no 2 to 406 dated 14-2-98

Conjeeveram Taluk office
3rd February 1898

No.

From
M.R.Ry V. Damodara Mudaliar
Tahsildar of Conjeeveram

To
The Collector
of Chingleput District

Thro:
The Sub Collector
of Chingleput

Respected Sir,

With reference to your Endorsement Current No. 3342 dated the 13th ultimo, (herewith resubmitted) directing me to report as to the financial prospects of the through Telegraphic Communication from Conjeeveram to Madras, desired by the Conjeeveram municipality, I beg to state that from the Statistics furnished by the Sub Post Master, Conjeeveram (Submitted herewith) it

will

will be seen that during the Calendar year 1897, there has been on an average in a month 75 messages dispatched from, and 95 received by the Telegraph office, and that the monthly revenue is Rs 73. 15 – 0. The present monthly Charges are Rs 23 as detailed in the margin.

One Signaller on Rs	15/-
Peon on R	4.
House Rent . .	R 2
Contingencies .	R 2

The present working hours of the office are 5 A.m; 7 to 11 A.m; 2 to 6 P.m; and 8 P.m. At 5 A.m and 8 P.m, the office is opened and closed at once if there are no messages. If the office is to be kept open during nights also, the Sub Post Master says, that there will be an additional monthly Charge of Rs 20/- as given in the margin.

One Signaller on Rs	15/-
A peon on R	4
Contingencies for oil &c }	1

So the total Charges will Come to Rs 43/-.

The Sub Post master thinks that there will be a probable increase of Rs 10/- in the monthly revenue. I believe that there will, at least be an income, to cover up the additional Charges as this is a large town of mercantile and religious importance, getting at all times pilgrims, rich & poor, from all parts of India. A fair trial may be given by keeping office open during night time & also to have direct communication with Madras.

I beg to remain

Respected Sir

Your most obedient Servt

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3.2.98

Tahsildar

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12/2/98

1848 Subordinate

Genl. ~~(Cu~~ ~~(~~ Officer)

From No. 270 of 1898

The Tahsildar

of Conjeevaram

To

The Collector

of Chingleput Dt

Sir

The Sub Collector

of Chingleput

SUB COLLECTOR
-3 FEB. 1898
CHINGLEPUT

Forwarded. I think the Sub post-master's estimate is nearer the mark than the Tahsildar's.
A.G. Subcollr
10/2/98

CHINGLEPUT COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
12 FEB. 1898
RECEIVED

Dated } February
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Dis

Enclosure

11 FEB. 1898

Subject

Reporting the financial prospects for opening the Telegraph office at Conjeevaram during night time also.

Dis No. 240 of 1898.

Arzi No. $\frac{212}{Dis}$ dated 3d. February 1898 from the Tahsildar of Conjeevaram, received with Sub Collector's Endorsement dated 10th February 1898.

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Forwarded (with the enclosure) to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Depst., with reference to G.O. No. 5585 C dated 18th December 1897. It is, I think, worth while to give a trial to the proposal to establish through telegraphic communication between Conjeevaram and Madras.

D. L. Murdoch
Ag Collector.

Chingleput Dist.
Collector's office
Saidapet 14th Febry. 1898

To
The Secretary to Govt.
Public Works Depst.
Madras.

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Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 332

From the Financial Dept.

No. 74

Dated 11th January 1898

Received } 14 — do —
Registered }

Enclosures 3

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SUBJECT.

Transferring an Extract from the address given by Conjeveram Municipality to open a telegraph line between Madras & Conjeveram.

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Public Department.

[G/A.]
500-3-12-97.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Memorandum No. 2762

Read the following paper:—

Extract from the address presented to His Excellency the Governor by the Conjeeveram Municipality on the 13th December 1897 :-

We beg permission to avail ourselves of this occasion to lay before Your Excellency a few of our wants, in the hope that they will meet with Your Excellency's kind consideration :-

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~~with T.~~

(2) The desirability of establishing through telegraphic communication with Madras to enable the merchant population to send telegrams during the night also.

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Copy to Financial Department with the remark that the Post Master General should be able to afford some information as to the likelihood of a telegraph line being made to Conjeeveram.

M E Couchman.

Fort Saint George
14th December 1897

for Chief Secretary.

To

The Financial Department.

14/12/97

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Fin Department.

C. No. 3962

TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

From Chief Asst.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT,

To Chief Asst. P.W.D.

Dated 16.. 12. 1897.

Does not P. W. D. deal with the ~~Tele~~ question of Telegraph lines so far as the Supdt. of Telegraphs Madras Division is concerned?

16/12/97

Q Return to C. A. after Despatch

16-12-97
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64 Word Form.

F. C 2.

Recd from LN.
At Hrs. Mts by

Sent to LN.
At Hrs. Mts. by

Telegraph Master.

C G P—No. 834 T—7 2 97—2400000

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GWS.1
337/58

INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

Code Class.

To (Office) Telephonic		From (Office) message	

Words.	Day.	Hour.	Minute.	Official Instructions.
	16	16	59	

To (Person) Chief Asst. Chief Secretariat	From (Person) Chief asst P. W. D.

Reply, The P.W.D has no control over the Telegraph Dept: but any correspondence between Govt and that Dept is usually conducted in this Dept:

Ck
16-12-97

64 Word Form.

F. C 2.

Recd from LN. At Hrs. Mts by

Sent to LN. At Hrs. Mts. by

Telegraph Master.

C G P—No. 884 T—7 2 97—2100000

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Financial Department.

[G/A .]
500—3-12-97.

Memorandum No. 74

READ the following paper:—

Memorandum from the Public Department, No. 2762, dated 14th December 1897.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

Fort St. George,
11th January 1898.

M R Couchman
for Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department, with papers in original.
,, ,, Public Department.

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11.1.98.

P. W. Current No: 1223

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Recd. 10. 2. 98

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No 802c dated 10th February 1898.

Herewith.

Under Secty to Govt.
P.W.D.

artment

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Returned with
thanks
A. R. Knapp.
18/2/98
Ag. Under Secretary

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Cur 16/2/98

To P.W.D.

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SUBJECT.

Address presented to H.E. the Governor at Conjeevaram

Forwarding a copy of the ——

[G/71]
506-16-3-97.

Very Urgent ~~Educational~~ Financial Department.

For ~~C. No.~~ the Chief Assistant

MEMORANDUM.

Requested for reference the undermentioned papers :—

original of endorsement No. 74, Financial Deptt dated 11th January 1898 for perusal & return

CN. 332
J. 28.1.98

Govt. Secretariat, 8th Feby 1897.

To
The Public Works Deptt.

9/2/98
ag Under Secretary to Government.

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Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 12706

From
The Public Department

No. 2800

~~await reply from the Collector of Chingleput to this office my 5585 C of 18-12-97~~

Dated 21-12-97
Received } 29-12-97
Registered }
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Address presented to H.E. the Governor at Conjeevaram

Forwarding a copy of the —

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To

His Excellency Sir Arthur Elibank Havelock,

G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E.,

GOVERNOR OF THE MADRAS PRESIDENCY

May it please Your Excellency:

We, the Municipal Councillors and the Inhabitants of Conjeeveram, most respectfully leave to offer a cordial welcome to Your Excellency on the occasion of Your Excellency's first visi this ancient and historic town. As the old capital of the Chola Raj and as one of the holiest and m beautiful Cities of India, Kanchipuram has from time immemorial been held in great veneration by people all over India. Many of its numerous temples are noted for their ancient architecture inscriptions of historical value. Foremost among them are the two great temples at either end of town, one dedicated to Siva and the other to Vishnu, which daily (more especially during the g annual festivals) attract pilgrims from all parts of India.

Until recently a good supply of drinking water was a long felt want in this town, in wh cholera has usually been a concomitant of the annual festivals. This want has now been supplied by introduction of a water-works scheme, sanctioned by the Government of Your Excellency's illustri predecessor, Lord Wenlock, and completed during Your Excellency's regime under the careful supervis of Mr. J. A. Jones, Sanitary Engineer to Government, assisted by Mr. Nowrojee, Assistant Sanit Engineer. With paternal kindness the Government was so gracious as to bear half of the total cost the water-works amounting to Rs. 2,57,000, and indulgently lent the other half of the required outl permitting the liquidation of the debt within such a long period as 30 years.

In this connection we beg to bring to Your Excellency's notice that the following gentlem have charitably come forward and erected cattle troughs and public fountains:—

RAJAH SIR S. RAMASAMY MUDALIYAR.	MR. P. SAMA ROW.
MR. LOD KRISHNADAS BALA MUKUNDAS.	,, KRISHNASAMY ROW.
,, C. VENKATASUBBA IYER.	,, DARIA DOMASAH.

MR. N. MUNUSAMY MUDALIYAR.

We beg permission to avail ourselves of this occasion to lay before Your Excellency a few our wants, in the hope that they will meet with Your Excellency's kind consideration:—

(1). The desirability of a substantial roof over a portion of the platform of the lo Railway Station, to protect from exposure the thousands of pilgrims that ali here every day during the festivals.

(2). The desirability of establishing through telegraphic communication with Madras enable the merchant population to send telegrams during the night also.

(3). Under existing arrangements passengers who wish to catch the fast mail train that leaves Chingleput at 8-9 P.M. for the south have to start at 2-10 P.M.; and passengers from the south by the morning fast mail train that arrives at Chinglepet 6-6 A.M., as well as passengers from this place and the other stations of this branch line, have no means of catching the day passenger trains of the N. W. and S. W. lines of the Madras Railway that leave Arkonam between 9 & 10 A.M. as the first train to Arkonam reaches it only at 11-55 A.M. We request that the necessary alterations in the train service may be directed to be made to avoid as far as possible these inconveniences.

(4). As this is the largest and most populous town of the district, now possessing the advantage of a good water supply, we beg leave to request that this may be made the Head Quarters of a Divisional Officer; and,—

(5). In consideration of the fact that many young boys from this town and the surrounding villages are put to the inconvenience of going to Madras to appear for the Matriculation examination, that this may be made an examination centre for conducting *the Matriculation examination of the Madras University.*

We take this opportunity to express our loyalty to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Que Empress of India, of whose motherly solicitude for her subjects we are fully aware.

In conclusion we venture to assure Your Excellency that Your Excellency's visit to this te will always be regarded with feelings of special gratification and pride, and we once more cordi Your Excellency in our midst.

Lady Havelock may enjoy the blessi

[G./69]
500—30-4-97

Public Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Memorandum No. 2800

READ the following paper :—

From the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, dated 14th December 1897 forwarding copies of the address presented to His Excellency the Governor at Conjeeveram.

Copies forwarded to the Departments concerned in continuation of Endorsement No. 2762, dated 14th December 1897.

Fort St. George,
21 December 1897.

W L Coutchman.
for Chief Secretary.

To

The Public Works Department (General) (with a copy of the address) ✓

18-12-97