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Warrant of Precedence

Pres: Public Dept. Warrant, with
Annex, letter from the Govt of India forwarding lists of
its notification publishing the revised
affirmed by the Queen, Empress of India, together
with a Supplementary graded list of Civil
offices not reserved for members of the I.C.S.
Communicated to officers of the Govt.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

From H. LUSON, Esq., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India (Home Department—Public), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 20th February 1899, No. 377.

In continuation of Home Department No. ^{25-Public} 1389, dated the 7th September 1896, I am directed to forward, for the information and guidance of the Government of Madras, a copy of the Revised Warrant of Precedence which has been approved by Her Majesty the Queen, Empress of India, together with a supplementary Graded List of Civil Offices not reserved for Members of the Indian Civil Service prepared under the orders of the Governor-General in Council.

ENCLOSURE.

NOTIFICATION of Government of India (Home Department—Public), dated Calcutta, 10th February 1899, No. 328.

In supersession of Home Department Notification No. 2032, dated the 1st November 1877, the following new Warrant of Precedence for India which has been approved by Her Majesty the Queen, Empress of India, and which has received Her Royal Sign Manual; as also the revised Graded List of Civil Officers not reserved for Members of the Indian Civil Service, supplementary to the Warrant of Precedence, which has been prepared under the orders of the Governor-General in Council, are published for general information :—

1. Warrant of Precedence approved by the Queen, Empress of India.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India :

To all to whom these Presents shall come :

Whereas it hath been represented unto Us that it is advisable that the rank and precedence of persons holding appointments in the East Indies as regulated by Our Royal Warrant, dated the 18th day of October 1876, should be altered, We do therefore hereby declare that it is Our will and pleasure that in lieu of the table laid down in our said recited Warrant, the following table be henceforth observed with respect to the rank and precedence of the persons hereinafter named, viz. :—

1. Governor-General and Viceroy of India.
2. Governors of Madras and Bombay.
3. President of the Council of the Governor-General.
4. Lieutenant-Governor when in his own territories.
5. Commander-in-Chief in India.
6. Lieutenant-Governor.
7. Chief Justice of Bengal.
8. Bishop of Calcutta, Metropolitan of India.
9. Ordinary Members of the Council of the Governor-General.
10. Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Naval Forces in the East Indies.
11. Chief Justice of a High Court other than that of Bengal.
12. Bishops of Madras and Bombay.
13. Ordinary Members of Council in Madras and Bombay.

14. Lieutenant-Generals Commanding the Forces, Punjab, Bengal, Madras, and Bombay.

15. Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces and Assam; Residents at Hyderabad and in Mysore; and Agents to the Governor-General in Rajputana, Central India, and Baluchistan.

16. Puisne Judges of a High Court.

17. Chief Judge of a Chief Court.

18. Military Officers above the rank of Major-General.

19. Additional Members of the Council of the Governor-General for making Laws and Regulations.

20. Bishops of Lahore, Rangoon, and Lucknow.

21. Secretaries to the Government of India.

22. Commissioner in Sind.

23. Judges of a Chief Court; Recorder of Rangoon; and Judicial Commissioners, Burma.

24. Chief Secretaries to the Governments of Madras and Bombay.

25. Major-Generals; Members of a Board of Revenue; Commissioners of Revenue and Customs, Bombay; and Financial Commissioners, Punjab and Burma.

26. Judicial Commissioners, including Additional Judicial Commissioners of Oudh, the Central Provinces and Sind.

27. Additional Members of the Councils of the Governors of Madras and Bombay for making Laws and Regulations; and Members of the Legislative Council of a Lieutenant-Governor.

28. Vice-Chancellors of Indian Universities.

First Class.

29. Members of the Indian Civil Service of 30 years' standing.

30. Advocate-General, Calcutta.

31. Comptroller and Auditor-General.

32. Commissioners of Divisions; the Superintendent of Port Blair; and Residents, Political Agents, and Superintendents drawing Rs. 2,000 a month and upwards (not being Collectors or Deputy Commissioners of British Districts), within their respective charges.

33. Chief Secretaries to Local Governments other than those of Madras and Bombay.

34. Surveyor-General of India; Directors-General of the Post Office, of Telegraphs in India and of Railways; Chief Engineers, first class; Accountants-General, Military and Public Works Departments; Director, Royal Indian Marine; and Manager, North-Western Railway.

35. Bishops (not territorial) under license from the Crown.

36. Archdeacons of Calcutta, Madras and Bombay.

37. Brigadiers-General.

38. Commissioners of Divisions.

39. Commissioner of Northern India Salt Revenue; and Opium Agents, Benares and Bihar.

40. Secretaries and Joint Secretaries to Local Governments; and Private Secretary to the Viceroy.

Second Class.

41. Members of the Indian Civil Service of 23 years' standing; and Colonels.

42. Military Secretary to the Viceroy.

43. Judicial Commissioners of the Hyderabad Assigned Districts and Baluchistan; the Superintendent of Port Blair; and Residents, Political Agents, and Superintendents drawing Rs. 2,000 a month and upwards (not being Collectors or Deputy Commissioners of British Districts).

44. Inspector-General of Forests in India; and Director of the Geological Survey.

45. Standing Counsel to the Government of India.

46. Directors of Public Instruction, and Inspectors-General of Police and Prisons under Local Governments; and Accountants-General.

47. Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture, Bombay; Commissioners of Settlements; and Controllers of Military Accounts.
48. Chief or Senior Civil Secretary to a Local Administration.
49. Chief Engineers, second and third classes; Deputy Surveyor-General; Deputy Director-General of Telegraphs in India; and Director-in-Chief, Indo-European Telegraph Department.
50. Divisional, and District and Sessions Judges; Collectors and Magistrates of Districts; Deputy Commissioners of Districts; Deputy Superintendent of Port Blair; and the Chief Officer of each Presidency Municipality, within their respective charges.
51. Archdeacons of Lahore, Lucknow and Rangoon.
52. Deputy Secretaries to the Government of India.
53. The Senior Chaplains of the Church of Scotland in Bengal, Madras and Bombay.
54. Remembrancers of Legal Affairs and Government Advocates under Local Governments.
55. Officers in the First-Class Graded List of Civil Offices not reserved for Members of the Indian Civil Service.

Third Class.

56. Members of the Indian Civil Service of 18 years' standing; and Lieutenant-Colonels.
57. The Deputy Director, Royal Indian Marine.
58. The Assistant Director, Royal Indian Marine.
59. Commanders and Inspectors of Machinery, Royal Indian Marine.
60. Political Agents and Superintendents drawing less than Rs. 2,000 a month (not being Collectors or Deputy Commissioners of British Districts), within their own charges.
61. Secretaries to Local Administrations other than those already specified.
62. Consulting Engineers to the Government of India for Railways.
63. Private Secretaries to Governors.
64. Military Secretaries to Governors.
65. Administrators-General.
66. Sanitary Commissioners under Local Governments; Postmasters-General; the Comptroller, Post Office; and Conservators of Forests, first grade.
67. Directors of Public Instruction and Inspectors-General of Police and Prisons under Local Administrations; and Comptrollers and Deputy Auditors-General.
68. Managers of State Railways other than the North-Western Railway; Chairman of the Port Trust, Bombay; and Chairman of the Port Trust, Calcutta.
69. Vice-Chairman of the Port Trust, Calcutta; Directors of Traffic and Construction, Indian Telegraph Department; Examiners of Accounts, Public Works Department, first class; Officers of the Superior Revenue Establishment of State Railways, first class, first grade; Superintending Engineers, Public Works Department, first class; and Superintendents of the Survey of India Department, first grade.
70. Inspectors General of Registration and Directors of Land Records and Agriculture under Local Governments.
71. Senior Chaplains other than those already specified.
72. Sheriffs within their own charges.
73. Officers in the Second-Class Graded List of Civil Offices not reserved for Members of the Indian Civil Service.

Fourth Class.

74. Members of the Indian Civil Service of 12 years' standing; and Majors.
75. Lieutenants of over 8 years' standing; and Chief Engineers of the Royal Indian Marine.
76. Government Solicitors.
77. Inspectors-General of Registration; Sanitary Commissioners; and Directors of Land Records and Agriculture under Local Administrations.
78. Officers in the Third-Class Graded List of Civil Offices not reserved for Members of the Indian Civil Service.

The entries in the above table apply exclusively to the persons entered therein, and, while regulating their relative precedence with each other, do not apply to the non-official community resident in India, the members of which shall take their place according to usage.

Officers in the above table will take precedence in order of the numbers of the entries. Those included in one number will take precedence *inter-se* according to the date of entry into that number.

When an officer holds more than one position in the table he will be entitled to the highest position accorded to him.

Officers who are temporarily officiating in any number in the table will rank in that number below permanent incumbents.

All officers not mentioned in the above table, whose rank is regulated by comparison with rank in the Army, to have the same rank with reference to Civil Servants as is enjoyed by Military officers of equal grades.

All other persons who may not be mentioned in this table to take rank according to general usage, which is to be explained and determined by the Governor-General in Council in case any question shall arise.

Nothing in the foregoing rules to disturb the existing practice relating to precedence at Native Courts, or on occasions of intercourse with Natives, and the Governor-General in Council to be empowered to make rules for such occasions in case any dispute shall arise.

All ladies to take place according to the rank herein assigned to their respective husbands, with the exception of wives of Peers, and of ladies having precedence in England independently of their husbands, and who are not in rank below the daughters of Barons; such ladies to take place according to their several ranks, with reference to such precedence in England, immediately after the wives of Members of the Council of the Governor-General.

Given at Our Court at Windsor this tenth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in the sixty-second year of Our reign.

(By Her Majesty's Command.)

(Signed) GEORGE HAMILTON.

2. Supplementary Graded List of Civil Offices not reserved for Members of the Indian Civil Service prepared under the orders of the Governor-General in Council—

** First Class. (No. 55 of the Warrant.)*

Assay Master of the Mint, Calcutta and Bombay.
Chief Judges of Presidency Courts of Small Causes.
Commissioners of Police, Calcutta, Madras and Bombay.
Deputy Comptroller-General.
Director-General of Statistics.
Director of the Botanical Survey of India.
Master of the Mint, Calcutta and Bombay.
Meteorological Reporter to the Government of India.
Superintendent of Revenue Survey, Madras.
Superintendent, Trigonometrical Surveys.

** Second Class. (No. 73 of the Warrant.)*

Adviser on Chinese Affairs in Burma.
Chief Collector of Customs, Burma.
Chief Presidency Magistrates.
Chief Superintendents of the Telegraph Department.

* The entries in each class are arranged in alphabetical order.

Collector of Customs and Salt Revenue, Sind.
 Collectors and Magistrates of Districts; and Deputy Commissioners of Districts, and of Settlements.
 Conservators of Forests, second and third grades.
 Deputy Accountants-General under Local Governments.
 Deputy Inspectors-General of Police.
 Deputy Superintendent of Port Blair.
 Directors of the Persian Gulf Section, and of the Persian Section, of the Indo-European Telegraph Department.
 Divisional, and District and Sessions Judges.
 Examiners of Accounts, Public Works Department, second and third classes.
 Government Astronomer, Madras.
 Imperial Bacteriologist.
 Inspector-General of Agriculture.
 Inspector of Mines to the Government of India.
 Officer in charge of the Records of the Government of India.
 Officers of the Indian Educational Service, and of the graded Educational Service, drawing Rs. 1,250 a month and upwards.
 Officers of the Superior Revenue Establishment of State Railways, first class, second and third grades.
 Principal of the Mayo College at Ajmere.
 Principal of the Rajkumar College at Rajkot.
 Reporter on Economic Products.
 Superintendent of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Calcutta.
 Superintendents, Geological Survey of India.
 Superintendents of Revenue Survey and Assessment, Bombay.
 Superintendents of the Survey of India Department, second grade.
 Superintending Engineers, Public Works Department, second and third classes.
 Under Secretaries to the Government of India.

* Third Class. (No. 78 of the Warrant.)

Agricultural Chemist.
 Assistant Inspector-General of Forests.
 Assistant Secretaries to the Government of India.
 Collector of Stamp Revenue; Superintendent of Excise Revenue; and Deputy Collector of Land Revenue, Calcutta.
 Commander of the steamer employed in the Persian Gulf Section of the Indo-European Telegraph Department.
 Deputy Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay.
 Deputy Commissioner of Northern India Salt Revenue.
 Deputy Commissioners of Police, Calcutta and Bombay.
 Deputy Commissioners of Salt, Abkari and Customs Department, Madras.
 Deputy Conservators of Forests drawing Rs. 800 a month and upwards.
 Deputy Director of Land Records and Agriculture, Madras.
 Deputy Director of the Imperial Forest School, Dehra Dun.
 Deputy Directors of Revenue Settlements and Deputy Superintendents of Revenue Surveys, Madras.
 Deputy Postmasters-General of the first grade.
 Deputy Superintendents, Geological Survey of India.
 Deputy Superintendents, Survey of India Department.
 District Superintendents of Police drawing Rs. 800 a month and upwards.
 Engineer and Electrician of the Persian Gulf Section of the Indo-European Telegraph Department.
 Examiners of Accounts, Public Works Department, fourth class, first and second grades.
 Executive Engineers, Public Works Department, first and second grades.
 Inspector-General of Railway Mail Service.

* The entries in each class are arranged in alphabetical order.

Judge of the City Civil Court, Madras.
 Judges of Presidency Courts of Small Causes; and First Judge of the Small Cause Court, Rangoon.
 Officers of the Indian Educational Service and of the graded Educational Service drawing less than Rs. 1,250 a month but more than Rs. 1,000 a month.
 Officers of the Superior Revenue Establishments of the State Railways, second class, first and second grades.
 Palaeontologist, Geological Survey of India.
 Presidency Magistrates.
 Protector of Emigrants and Superintendent of Emigration, Calcutta.
 Public Prosecutor in Sind.
 Registrars to the High Courts and to the Chief Court, Punjab.
 Sub-Deputy Opium Agents drawing Rs. 800 a month and upwards.
 Superintendent of the Indian Museum.
 Superintendent of Stamps and Stationery.
 Superintendents, Telegraph Department, first and second grades.

(Signed) A. H. L. FRASER,
 Offg. Secy. to the Government of India.

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2. The notification has been republished in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

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for Chief Secretary.

To the Departments of the Secretariat.
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