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[Despatch Abstract.]

DIRECT CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN OFFICERS OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE NIZAM'S DARBAR AND BRITISH OFFICERS.

Communicating to certain District Magistrates and the In-
spector-General of Police, circular issued by His Highness the Nizam's
Darbar on the subject of-----; and requesting them to issue the neces-
sary instructions to officers within their respective charges.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., Nos. 240, 241, Political, dated 4th April 1896.

Read—the following paper :—

From T. CHICHELE-PLOWDEN, Esq., c.s.i., Resident at Hyderabad, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Hyderabad Residency, the 17th March 1896, No. 1622.

I have the honour to enclose the translation of a draft circular which His Highness the Nizam's Government propose to issue to their officers on the subject of direct communication between the officials of His Highness' Government and the British authorities in unimportant matters.

2. This circular is the outcome of representations made by the Government of Bombay in their letter, No. 7081, dated the 13th November 1895, a copy of which is herewith forwarded, and I shall be glad to learn, for communication to His Highness' Government, whether the Government of Madras concur in the principles enunciated therein. A translation of the circular, as finally issued, will then be forwarded for your information, with the necessary copies of the Quarterly Civil List of officers of His Highness the Nizam's Government for distribution to the Collectors and Magistrates of frontier districts in the Madras Presidency.

ENCLOSURE.

COPY of letter, No. 7081, dated the 13th November 1895, from the Acting Chief Secretary to Government of Bombay, Bombay Castle, to the Resident at Hyderabad.

I am directed to advert to the correspondence annexed to Mr. Tucker's letter, No. 4644-J., dated the 27th August last, to the address of the First Assistant to the Agent to the Governor-General, Rajputana, in respect of the action taken by the Assistant Inspector-General, Rajputana-Malwa Railway Police, in addressing a communication to the Awal Talukdar of the Aurangabad district direct.

2. The Governor in Council, I am to observe, readily recognises that in matters of importance direct communication between the subordinates of two Governments is objectionable and opposed to practice. In this case, however, the reference was confined to a simple enquiry as to the characters and antecedents of certain men who had been arrested by the Assistant Inspector-General of Police at Ajmere, and who had declared themselves to be residents of a district in His Highness the Nizam's territory.

3. In pursuance of a policy of cordial co-operation on the part of the British and Native State Police to facilitate the detection of crime and the punishment of the offenders, direct communication between the officers of the British Government and of His Highness the Nizam, His Highness the Gaikwar and other Native Chiefs has hitherto been permitted with good results, and in some cases the prohibition of direct correspondence might prejudice the interests of good administration on the part of the British Government and the Native State concerned. Under the circumstances, I am to suggest that His Highness the Nizam's Government might be asked to consider whether it would not be desirable in future to limit the prohibition of direct official intercourse to matters of importance or of a controversial nature.

Order—No. 240, Political, dated 4th April 1896.

The following letter will be despatched to the Resident at Hyderabad.

(True Extract.)

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

Letter—to the Resident at Hyderabad, No. 241, Political, dated 4th April 1896.

In reply to your letter, No. 1622, dated 17th instant, I am directed to state that His Excellency the Governor in Council has no objection to the circular which His Highness the Nizam's Darbar proposes to issue on the subject of direct communication between His Highness' officials and the British authorities in matters which are not important nor of a controversial nature. On receipt of an English translation of the circular as finally issued, the necessary instructions will be given to Magistrates and Superintendents of Police of the districts bordering on His Highness' dominions.

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

READ—also the following paper:—

From T. CHICHELE-LOWDEN, Esq., c.s.i., Resident at Hyderabad, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Hyderabad Residency, the 26th May 1896, No. 2974-G.

In continuation of my letter, No. 1622, dated the 17th March 1896, I have the honour to enclose, herewith, a translation of His Highness the Nizam's Government's Circular, No. 3, dated the 5th Khurdad 1305-F., 25th Shavval 1313-H., on the subject of direct communication passing between officials of His Highness' Government and British officials in unimportant matters.

2. I have now to request that, under the orders of His Excellency the Governor in Council, the tenor of this circular may, with the necessary instructions, be communicated to British officers in charge of frontier districts; and it would be convenient if early action were taken inasmuch as orders on the part of His Highness' Government have issued already, and if the fact is not made known in British territory, some confusion and perhaps misunderstanding may be caused.

ENCLOSURE.

Copy of translation of Circular, No. 3, dated 5th Khurdad 1305 Fasli, 25th Shavval 1313, to all the District and City Magistrates and to the Kotwal of the city and suburbs.

By order of His Excellency the Minister.

As there are no express orders as to whether His Highness' officials can hold direct communication with British officials, and if they can hold such communication, in what particular matters they can do so, and as much misapprehension and inconvenience are occasioned owing to the non-existence of such orders, it has been decided, in consultation with the Resident, that in matters which are unimportant and in which there is no controversy between the officials above referred to, His Highness' officials can address British officials without reference to Government. For instance, if it is intended to ascertain the character and antecedents of certain suspected persons, or if persons accused of committing any extraditable offence in His Highness' territory, abscond and take refuge at any place beyond His Highness' dominions, and it is necessary to arrest them with a view to their being detained in custody pending receipt of an application for surrender, together with abstract of evidence, His Highness' officials are authorized to communicate direct with British officials in order to ascertain such particulars or to cause such accused persons to be arrested. Similarly, British officials can also communicate direct with His Highness' officials in the matters above referred to. But care should be taken that as soon as the correspondence reaches a stage where it becomes important or any difference of opinion arises, the matter should at once be referred to Government, or else serious notice will be taken.

ORDER—No. 351, Political, dated 4th June 1896.

Communicated to the District Magistrates of Bellary, Kurnool, Kistna and Gódvári, and the Inspector-General of Police, who will be requested to issue the necessary instructions to officers within their respective charges. The direct correspondence should be strictly confined to matters which are not important and not of a controversial nature.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the District Magistrate, Bellary.
" " Kurnool.
" " Kistna.
" " Gódvári.
" Inspector-General of Police.
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" " Revenue Department.

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G.O., No. 351, 4th June 1896.

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Direct correspondence between
the Officers of His Highness the
Nizam's Darbar and the British
Officers.

Communicating to certain District Magistrates
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the subject of —; and requesting them to issue
the necessary instructions to officers within their
respective charges.

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The Resident
at Hyderabad.

No. 2974 G.

To 26th } May 1896
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the orders of Govt should be
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Copy to the Judicial Dept.
Rev. Dept.

No 352. D. 4 June 1896.

to the Resident at Hyderabad
with copy to the
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With reference to the
correspondence ending with
your letter no. 2974 J. dated 26th
May ultimo, I am directed
to forward a copy of the
order of this Govt. no. 351, Pol.,

dated 4 June 1896, on the
subject of direct correspondence
between the officers of H. N.
the Nizam's ^{Darbar} and of British
officers of the ^{British} districts bordering
on H. N.'s dominions - I am to
request that arrangements
may be made for furnishing
the following officers with
copies of the Quarterly Civil
list of officers of H. N. the Nizam's
Darbar:-

- Dy. Police - 4 copies
- Colr & D.M., Bellary - 2 "
- " Kurnool - 2 "
- " Kistna " "
- " Godavari " "

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