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SUBJECT.

These notes will probably be of use on a future occasion

forms certain questions which will be put at the meeting of the Reg Comm of the 4th April for favour of the preparation of a draft answer & submission of the same by Monday the 5th Pro.

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100-29-11-95.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Hon' Muhammad Shauif Khan Bahadur.

XI. (a) Will the Government be pleased to state what necessity exists for the office of the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, being maintained separately at much expense to Government instead of being amalgamated with the Accountant-General's or Collector's office, Madras?

(b) Is the Government aware that for a long time past this office has been in unfavourable evidence before the public as regards the conduct of some of its subordinates which resulted in police enquiries being held?

(c) If, in the opinion of the Government, the office must continue separately as heretofore, will the Government be pleased to so reorganize the establishment as to remove the cause for present grievance in the community and further nominate an officer as Paymaster who can depend on his own judgment and see things for himself?

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100-29-11-95.

VERY URGENT.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

PARTMENT

MEMORANDUM. 777

The accompanying copy of a question which will probably be put at the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the 9th April is forwarded to the Political Department for favour of the preparation of a note containing a draft answer and such other information as may be required.

It is requested that the note may be forwarded so as to reach the undersigned before 5 pm on Monday the 5th proximo

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To The Political Department

FORT ST. GEORGE,

31/3/ 1897.

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Secretary to the Council.

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Political DEPARTMENT

C. No. 448

SUBJECT.

Legislative Council Question
Office of Paymaster, Carnat
Stipends

FOR ORDERS.

Question XI (a)

The office established of the Paymaster of Carnat stipends was last reorganised in 1885. Lieutenant Colonel Baynes suggested in paragraphs 21, 22, & 23 of his report, go. no. 357 Poll. & 22: make certain changes which the Govt. did not approve of. The changes as approved by Govt. were forwarded to the Govt. of India for sanction in go. no. 358 Poll. & 22 in 1885. The Secretary of State in sanctioning the reorganisation scheme suggested that the appt of Paymaster of Carnat stipends should preferentially be offered to a qualified officer whose non-aris is a sub-run ears to be

go. nos 488-89
10-5-86

VERY URGENT.

1. H. E. THE GOVERNOR.
2. THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.
3. THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

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to his having completed
one of command or a
of staff duty - The Govt.
dia called for the remarks
is Govt. on the suggestion
a Secy. of State - This
replied that it
icipated no difficulty
iding a ^{duly} qualified officer
vt of India thereupon
ded that the appt.
uld be filled up in
manner ~~in the manner~~
icated by the Secretary
State.

The principal change
as taken place
the office ~~Establishment~~ since 1885
that in 1891 the Govt.
ided not to fill up in
ore the office of Assistant
ymaster which has now
en practically abolished.
on No. 80 A & 15-5-91.)

As regards the
essity for the existence
the Paymaster's office, it
submitted that ~~no reply~~
~~be given without~~
~~charts from the~~

no there would be no gain if
the amalgamation suggest
in the question were carried
The Accountant General
Collector of Madras could
carry on the work with
addition to their establi
and owing to the number

which still on the rolls & which
number of cases which require
intimate knowledge of the
at present history of the
native stipendiaries, the
grance now paid to the
(Rs 250 p.m.)
master is not excessive. Submitted
this question might run
somewhat as follows:-

The Govt. is not prepared to
it that the office of Paym:
native stipends is maintained
higher cost than is absolutely
necessary, nor does it consider
in any useful purpose
uld be served by the
amalgamation suggested in
question"

GO. NO. 575
25-7-94

~~The Paymaster, the Acct.
General and the Collector
of Madras. There is no
doubt that the last named
two officers will ask for
additional establishment
if they be asked to take
up the duties of the Paymaster.
orders are solicited as the reply
to this question
Question XI (b).~~

The Office of the
Paymaster has formed the
subject of police enquiries
on two ^{recent} ~~former~~ occasions
In 1890 the Govt. directed
Colonel Weldon to hold
an enquiry into certain
frauds in the office - His
report and the orders of
Govt. are contained in GO.
No. 37 Pol. & 23^d Jan'y 1891.

In 1894 again the
Govt. directed Colonel Cox
to make an enquiry into
certain alleged irregularities
in the office - In this
case nothing was proved.
GO. No. 6 & 7-1-95.

The reply to this
question ^{might, it is subd. run} appears to be

follows:-

"Yrs - the Govt itself
directed the Commr of Police
to hold enquiries on two
occasions"

Question xi (c).

The reply to this question
depends partly on the reply
to question xi (a). The
matter of the selection of
officers to fill the post
of Paymaster is for His
Excellency's orders.

The appt. is now vacant.
The Govt. is not however aware
of any cause for "grievance in
the community". The last part
of this question is a reflection
on Col. Stewart which the
Govt. records or not support.

CRB.
1/4/97

"The Govt. is not aware
that for a long time past
this office has been
"been in unfavourable
"before the public eye"
"the conduct of some of
"Subordinates - Dns police
"both of which were used
"by Govt itself. The first
"1890. The second in 1896
"Satisfactory so far as
"Subordinates office was"

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C. No.

Re submitted to H.E.
the Governor with
reference to the
SUBJECT. notes of the
Members

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6.4.97

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H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

FOR ORDERS.

The real reason why the Department of Camels
remains has been kept up as it is and that
no attempt is made whether it could not
be worked by the Collection Office is that
it is necessary to have some European Officer
of some rank and position to act as intermediary
between the Prince of Arct and Govt &
some one to accompany him when he
makes visits or receives them. There is
to the work of dealing with the Nigudians
who are still numerous of looking into
their complaints and claims which are
not few in number. If the work of the
Paymaster is to be well paying perispendam
it might be performed by the Arct Govt
or Collector but additional establishment
would be necessary both as pointed out
and above this is not the case. The
Arct. General certainly could not
do the work. It is not the business

of an Accountant General to engage into
claims to a pension, report upon a
proposal of the Begum Sahib to pro-
vide on a full pension or to send in
a request for a certificate of birth or
the Collector too with his numerous &
banded duties could not perform those
at present devolving on the Registrar
of C. Dependents. It is true the work
he would have to have a Deputy Collector
for as the Senior Deputy has quite
enough to do. The Prince of Wales too
would lay some complaints of having
to deal with a Deputy Coll: (who would
have to be a Brahmin) and of
being accompanied when he went
to call ^{on} from 1888 the Governor lay
an Officer of this rank.

Further it is to said that the Camacho
Dependents are not as a body the
straightest people in the world
and that it is desirable to have a
European Officer to look after
them.

Submits that the following &
up to X(12) may be done.

The duties of the Registrar, Camacho
Dependents, some of which are of a
very special character, are not

Things of that sort and the G. & I.
would soon come down upon him. It
is attempted to keep work of that
sort on the staff.

I should prefer to think, I mean the answer as drafted
put in terms proposed by H.E. to the effect, that
be that in all be asked in what way
agreed it is not necessary to
I think the
with the

XI

Turned in and between the

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100-14-12-90.

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DEPARTMENT.

SUBJECT.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

FOR ORDERS.

Mr. W. Bruce
Lawson

such that they could be performed by either
the Act. Sec. or the Act. of Indus.

The Gov. considers that the existing arrangement
is the only one possible.

This is true does not distinctly reply
to the question asked but one can hardly
say what the necessity is. It would
be unwise to do so.

As regards Mr.

I should have considered this question hypo-
thetical as it assumes that that a certain
state of things exist. As a matter of fact
it really does not. In the case which
was stated in 1880 the complaint came
from the Registrar himself and dependents
were brought up as the branch. Not that
instead the conduct of any of those
to whom any thing was brought home
the inquiry in 1894, ordered also
by Gov. under the acquittal of

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C. No.

SUBJECT.

E. THE GOVERNOR.

HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

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FOR ORDERS.

The committee" thus assuming that a
 pecuniary debt exist.
 The question of reorganizing the establishment
 - as what the ^{initial} means, turning out
 the present holder of office & putting
 others in their room - has already been
 quite sufficiently considered: it is not
 more than is wanted for the work
 and it cannot at present or until the
 pensioners are by death & commutation
 considerably reduced be cut down
 any more. The question of the selection
 of a Dykes is not entirely within
 the province of H. E. Govt.
 It is submitted that the following reply
 may be given to X(6)
 The Govt. considers any further reorganization
 of the establishment of the Dykes
 for some time to come unnecessary
 of the selection of a

the Officer charged with the prosecution
 & conviction of his chief kadues. The
 prosecution against the others were
 withdrawn on their tendering a full
 apology.

Submitted that the following reply
 may be given to X(6).

The Govt. is not aware of anything which
 is alleged in the question.

Two inquiries have been held by the
 Chief into the conduct of members of
 the Office of the Dykesmaster
 The first of these was in 1890 on
 the complaint of the Dykesmaster himself
 and Govt. then took due notice of
 the conduct of those with whom faults
 could be found.

The second occasion was in 1894
 when one Ahmed Muhiudeen Khan
 Bahadur preferred a series of charges
 against the managers of the Office
 who was honourably acquitted and
 who subsequently prosecuted A. Muhiudeen
 Khan Bahadur to conviction for
 defamation

As regards X(6)

This question I consider to be hypothetical
 inasmuch as it uses the words
 "the cause for present pecuniary loss"

X(6)

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X(6)

To tell the Vice of Registrar [has with]
the Governor.]

I believe that ^{the person} ~~the person~~ at the bottom
of these so called questions is Ahmed
Khan Bahadur who has been
an unmitigated rascal and who
having been defeated and put to
shame by the managers has got
hold of the Vice and induced him
to put these questions in the hope
that the outcome will be the departure
of the managers and the transfer
of the work of the ^{the} office to other
departments, or by removal on the
ground of scandal, or reduction
of the ^{the} office and the abolition of
the managership. The scheme is
worthy of this kind of intrigues

2/4/97.

I don't think this will do. In the
first place ~~it~~ it is in no way
applicable to the question. In the second,
it is not for the public to be informed of the
under which patronage lies with the
made by the Vice in C. & whoever may be
spirit responsible in the matter; and
would be "in under the consideration of
C. &."

BS
5/4/97
I think it will be better
put in this way.

I will raise no objection.

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