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Rao Sahib Swaminatha Aiyar.

Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin letter from the Government of India sanctioning, on the existing conditions, the extension by six months of the period for which the services of — were lent to the Cochin Darbar.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following papers:—

G.O., No. 527, Political, dated 7th August 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to the Revenue Department, the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and the Accountant-General letter from the Government of India sanctioning, with certain remarks, the transfer to the Cochin State for one year of the services of M.R.Ry. Rao Sahib Sami Swaminatha Aiyar Avargal on a net salary of Rs. 700 per mensem.

G.O., Nos. 484, 485, Political, dated 16th July 1898.

Read—the following letter from J. D. REES, Esq., C.I.E., Resident in Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trivandrum, 6th June 1898, Ref. on Cur. No. 1679:—

I have the honour to forward herewith, for the favourable consideration of Government, an application from the Diwan of Cochin for the extension for another year of the loan of the services of M.R.Ry. Rao Sahib S. Swaminatha Aiyar Avargal. This officer's transfer to the Cochin State for a period of one year on a gross salary calculated to leave him a net pay of Rs. 700 a month, was sanctioned by the letter from the Government of India, printed in G.O., No. 527, Political, dated 7th August 1897, the object of the transfer being to overhaul the accounts of the State for the past nine or ten years, and to organize them on proper lines for the future.

2. It will be seen from an office-note submitted to the Diwan, copy of which is also forwarded herewith, that the accounts were in a very unsatisfactory condition owing to the faulty system for many years in force, and that the task before M.R.Ry. Rao Sahib Swaminatha Aiyar Avargal was by no means easy. The introduction of a better system first received attention, and this reform has been partially effected. The accounts judged according to the old system were several years in arrears, and had to be written up before they could be subjected to any real audit. This work has however recently been completed and the audit is now in active progress, but it will take considerable time and an account code has also to be prepared. I would therefore support the Diwan's application, for the money spent on M.R.Ry. Swaminatha's deputation will not be really remunerative unless he can carry his work to completion.

3. I would, however, recommend that an intimation be given at the same time that under no circumstances will Government be able to further extend the loan of this officer's services. Two years should be ample for the introduction of a wholly new and satisfactory system, and I do not think any useful purpose is served by overhauling old accounts in view to possible discovery of defalcations, which are most difficult under the old system to bring home to the authors, who have very likely died or retired in the interval that has elapsed. It is expressly understood

that should M.R.Ry. Swaminatha act in any other appointment in the State during his deputation, the fact will give no claim to an extension, for such period as he may spend in the execution of duties, other than those for which he is primarily deputed.

ENCLOSURE.

From M.R.Ry. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI, Diwan of Cochin, to the British Resident in Travancore and Cochin, dated Huzur Cutcherry, Ernakulam, 27th May 1898, Ref. on Cur. No. 776-Acct.

I am directed by His Highness to submit to you a copy of the office-note of M.R.Ry. Swaminatha Aiyar, describing the system of accounts that prevailed here, and also a copy of my office-note for His Highness on the same subject. I am further directed to request that you will be so good as to move the Government of Madras to grant an extension for one year more of the loan of M.R.Ry. Swaminatha Aiyar's services.

2. The one year for which M.R.Ry. Swaminatha Aiyar's services have been lent expires on the 14th August 1898, and the extension for one more year will, if granted, begin on the 15th August 1898.

Order—No. 484, Political, dated 16th July 1898.

His Excellency the Governor in Council regrets that he is unable to support the application of the Darbar in its entirety, as he considers that a further period of six months should suffice for the special duty on which Rao Sahib Swaminatha Aiyar is engaged. Application will accordingly be made to the Government of India for an extension of the loan of his services to the Cochin State for this period.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
„ Revenue Department.

Letter—No. 485, Political, dated Ootacamund, 16th July 1898, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

I am directed to refer to the correspondence ending with Mr. Bosanquet's letter, No. 1139-G., dated 22nd July 1897, which communicated the sanction of the Government of India to the transfer, for a period of one year, of the services of Rao Sahib Sami Swaminatha Aiyar to the Cochin Darbar for the purpose of re-organizing the system of accounts in that State.

2. Rao Sahib Swaminatha Aiyar, whose transfer to Cochin took effect from the 13th August 1897, found the accounts of the State to be several years in arrears and had to arrange for their being written up before they could be subjected to any real audit. The audit is now in active progress, but the question of the introduction of an account code has yet to be taken up. As the expenditure incurred by the State on the Deputy Collector's deputation will not be really remunerative unless he can carry his work to completion, the Darbar has requested that his transfer may be extended for a further period of one year.

3. His Excellency the Governor in Council is, however, advised by the Resident in Travancore that a period of eighteen months should be ample for the completion of the special duty upon which the Deputy Collector is engaged.

4. I am therefore to request the early sanction of the Government of India to an extension by six months of the period for which the services of Rao Sahib Swaminatha Aiyar were lent to the Cochin Darbar.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

READ—also the following paper:—

From Captain H. DALY, C.I.E., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, dated Simla, 27th July 1898, No. 957-G.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in the Political Department, No. 485, dated the 16th July 1898, recommending that the period of the service of Rao Sahib Swaminatha Aiyar, under the Cochin Darbar, may be extended for a term of six months from the 13th August 1898.

2. The extension is sanctioned on the existing terms.

ORDER—No. 537, Political, dated 4th August 1898.

Communicated, in continuation of G.O., No. 484, Political, dated 16th July 1898, to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
„ Revenue Department.
„ Accountant-General.

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H.E. the Governor.

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The Govt of India,
Foreign Dept.

No. 957f.

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16th July 1898, to the Resd. B
in Travancore & Cochin

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„ Rev. Dept.
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Sanctioning the extension of
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Darbar.

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