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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.

1495

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Dated

28-11-1867

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28th November 1867.

No. 197. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Simla, 31st October 1867, No. 6089.

Home Department.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th ultimo, No. 1139, and of the Minutes and other papers forwarded therewith, on the subject of a proposal made by his Excellency the Governor for an equalization of the Government grants to the Municipality of the town of Madras, and to those in the provinces of the Presidency.

2. In reply, I am desired to state that the Governor General in Council thinks that in any case it would be premature to move in this matter, until it has been ascertained whether Act X. of 1865, so recently enforced, and the Madras Municipal Act, may not effect all that His Excellency the Governor of Madras anticipates from the adoption of his own proposals. But I am further to point out that the principle of these proposals is in direct opposition to the policy which has been deliberately adopted by the Supreme Government, of encouraging to the utmost the establishment of self-supporting Municipalities. On this ground alone, therefore, the Governor General in Council would in any case be entirely unable to approve of his Lordship's scheme.

3. I am also directed to point out to His Lordship that the aid he desires for towns in the Presidency of Madras, must, if granted to them, also be granted to towns elsewhere throughout India, entailing an expenditure which would necessitate fresh Imperial taxation. But this taxation could not with any justice be levied on any portion of the community, except that to be specially benefited by the expenditure, and thus the objects of His Lordship's attention would derive no special advantage whatever from it.

No. 198. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1867, No. 1495.

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(True Extract).]

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

Public DEPARTMENT.

No. 1875

From

The Secretary, Government of India
Home Department

Dated 31st October 1867.

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W. H. P.

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No: 12 Sept 1874 - 119-124

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No: 28th November
From
Secretary, Govt. of India
Home Dept
No. 6089

It is to be
understood
that the Government of India
has decided
to grant
the sum of Rs. 100,000
to the Government of India
for the purpose of
the purchase of land
in the Province of
Bihar.

2/3/1874
2/16/1874

No 1375

Communicate observations
on the proposals of the
President of the Madras
Council, with reference
to the grant to the British
Capitalists in this
Presidency.

Copy to the Hon. Secy. to Govt.
with copy of letter 119-124 dated 12/9/74

28th Nov 1874 No: 1495
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