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No 3528 Krishna District Collectors Office,
Masulipatam, 28th July 1870.

From J. A. C. Roswell Esqre,
Officiating Collector of the Krishna Dt.

To The Honorable W. S. Ellis, C. B.,

Chief Secretary to the Government,
Public Department, Fort Saint George.
Sir,

On the town of Masulipatam there are several unclaimed tanks & wells which from their neglected condition serve as the depositories of ~~filth~~ ^{filth} in the dry weather and prevent the effectual drainage of the town during the rainy season. Several notices have been issued in vain by the Municipal Commissioners calling upon the owners, if any, to put the tanks in a state of repair, and intimating that in default they would be taken possession of and dealt with as might be deemed proper. This notice has failed to call forth any of the owners. From a sanitary point of view it is absolutely necessary that measures should be adopted for eliminating these receptacles of nuisance from the very heart of the town. The Commissioners have therefore resolved to take possession of them & to store with Krishna water such of them as are susceptible of being so utilized, the rest being filled up with earth; but before doing so they request the sanction of Government, and authority for selling the tank sites acquired by thus filling them up.

2. Much of Krishna water now runs off into the ocean and it would be advisable that, instead of building additional Reservoirs, the existing ones should be made useful. On a town like Masulipatan surrounded on all sides with swamp and with no water procurable, the cost of filling up these tanks must be very great. I therefore recommend that the Commissioners be allowed to take them over as unclaimed, to repair such of them as may be deemed useful and to fill up the rest. They should also be empowered to sell the sites so acquired after filling up the tanks. The Sanitary advantages which will accrue to the town ~~will~~ will avowedly be very great.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant.

L. M. W. L.

Officiating Collector.

Comptroller

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Handwritten notes:
16th 1870
From
The Offg Collector,
Kistna Dist.
To the Chief Secretary
to Government, Public
Deptt., Fort Saint George
Dated 25th July 1870
Received & signed 1/10.
No. 1034
No. 3528
16/8/70
Regarding the tanks
of the Government & to make
over same unclaimed tanks
in Kistna District to the
Municipal Commissioners for
filling them with Kistna
water.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
16th August 1870.*

No. 97. Read the following letter from the Officiating Collector of the Kistna District, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Masulipatam, 28th July 1870, No. 3528 :—

In the town of Masulipatam there are several unclaimed tanks and wells, which from their neglected condition serve as the depositories of rubbish in the dry weather and prevent the effectual drainage of the town during the rainy season. Several notices have been issued in vain by the Municipal Commissioners calling upon the owners, if any, to put the tanks in a state of repair, and intimating that in default they would be taken possession of and dealt with as might be deemed proper. This notice has failed to call forth any of the owners. From a sanitary point of view it is absolutely necessary that measures should be adopted for eliminating these receptacles of nuisance from the very heart of the town. The Commissioners have, therefore, resolved to take possession of them, and to store with Kistna water such of them as are susceptible of being so utilized, the rest being filled up with earth; but before doing so they request the sanction of Government, and authority for selling the tank sites acquired by thus filling them up.

2. Much of the Kistna water now runs off into the ocean, and it would be advisable that, instead of building additional reservoirs, the existing ones should be made useful. In a town like Masulipatam, surrounded on all sides with swamp and with no earth procurable, the cost of filling up these tanks must be very great. I, therefore, recommend that the Commissioners be allowed to take them over as unclaimed, to repair such of them as may be deemed useful, and to fill up the rest. They should also be empowered to sell the sites so acquired after filling up the tanks. The sanitary advantages which will accrue to the town will avowedly be very great.

No. 98. ORDER THEREON, 16th August 1870, No. 1034.

The Government fully approve the course which the Municipal Commissioners of Masulipatam propose to adopt for obviating the nuisances arising from the "unclaimed" tanks in that town.

2. They observe, however, that the authority of Government, which is asked for, cannot vest the proceedings of the Commissioners with any legal force which otherwise they would not have, or confer upon the Commissioners any right of property, in the tanks or their sites, not belonging to Government.

3. Under Section 103 of the Act, it is the duty of the Commissioners to deal with such of the tanks as are not in private enclosures; but anything beyond what is necessary for compliance with that Section will be undertaken by the Commissioners at their own risk. It is by no means improbable that, after the tanks have been filled up, the sites may become of considerable value; and that, in that case, owners, who at present hold back through fear of a requisition under Section 102, may prefer their claims.

4. If it can be shown that any of the tanks are at the disposal of Government, which appears unlikely, no objection will be made to their transfer to the Municipality.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Officiating Collector of the Kistna District.
,, Revenue Department.
Exd. J. Wright.

Public Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the
Officiating Collector, Kistna District

dated 20th July 1870. No. 3578/

Order thereon. G.O. No. 16, 1870.
1st part 172. No. 1034.

The Government fully approve the course which the Municipal Commissioners of Masulipatam propose to adopt for obviating the nuisances arising from the "inclosed" tanks in that town.

2. They observe, however, that the authority of Govt., which is asked for, cannot vest the proceedings of the Commissioners with any legal force which otherwise they would not have, or confer upon the Commissioners any right of property, in the tanks or their sites, not belonging to Govt.

Under

J. D. S.

Govt. of 1870: 3578.

PUBLIC.

To
THE OFFIC. COLLECTOR OF THE
KISTNA DISTRICT.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated August, 1870.
Recd. No.

G. O. No. 16th August 1870, No. 1034.

AGREST.
Nos. 27/28.

Declining to sanction the taking up of certain
undelimited lands in the Masulipatam Municipality,
but approving of the notice proposed for obtaining
the nuisance arising from tanks.

3. Under section 103 of the Act, it is the duty of the Commissioner to deal with such of the tanks as are not in private enclosures, but anything beyond what is necessary for compliance with that section, will be undertaken by the Commissioners at their own risk. It is by no means improbable that ^{after} the tanks have been filled up, the sites may become of considerable value; and that in that case, owners, who at present hold back through fear of a requisition under section 102, may prefer their claims.

4. If it can be shown that any of the tanks are at the disposal of Government, which appears unlikely, no objection will be made to their transfer to the Municipality.

J.H.D.

[Signature]

To the Off^{ce} Collector, Tuticora District &
Revenue Department

[Signature]

Cont. of 118 } Murders.

Public

To
The Office of the
Genl. of the Hk.
for

Date of Recd. }
1870, Nov. 23.

Nos. 97, 98.

Referring to the
taking up of certain
land in the
County of, and
of the same proposed for
selling the same
and from the

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