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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

30th June 1881, No. 885.

Government Workhouse.

Read the following paper:—

From F. C. DAUKES, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home, Revenue, and Agricultural Department (Public), to the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, dated Simla, 16th June 1881, No. 797 [Current No. 1299].

In reply to your letter, No. 541, dated the 16th April last, I am directed to say that, under the provisions of Section 14 of the European Vagrancy Act (IX of 1874), the Governor-General in Council is pleased to sanction the revised additional rules, therewith submitted, for the management and discipline of the Government Workhouse at Madras.

ORDER THEREON, 30th June 1881, No. 885.

Under the provisions of Section 14 of "The European Vagrancy Act No. IX of 1874," and with the sanction of the Governor-General in Council, the following revised additional rules are prescribed for the management and discipline of the Government Workhouse, Madras.

(True Extract.)

C. G. MASTER,
Offg. Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Committee
for the Management of the Government Workhouse.
" Inspector-General of Police.

RULES.

1. Every inmate, except those excused by the Medical Officer, will turn out when ordered, and will be held responsible for the cleanliness of his bedding and clothing, as well as for the cleanliness of the doors and windows of the rooms occupied.
2. Library books will be issued every morning, and each inmate will be held responsible for the book lent to him.
3. Inmates wishing to see the Medical Officer will give their names to the peon at turning-out time.
4. Every inmate shall rise at 5-30 A.M., proceed to the bath-room, wash or bathe, and then assist in any work that may be required of him till 8 A.M.
5. The work of the house, i.e., cleansing tables, forms, yards, eating-utensils, &c., shall be done by the inmates.
6. Every inmate shall keep himself and his clothing clean, and he will have every facility given him in the shape of soap and spare clothing to enable him to do so.

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7. No meals shall be taken in the sleeping rooms.
8. No gambling of any kind will be allowed in the Workhouse.
9. No leave will be granted to any inmate on Sundays or Committee-days.
10. Any inmate injuring Government property or transgressing any of the rules of the Workhouse will render himself liable to prosecution before a Magistrate.
11. No singing or loud noise will be allowed after 9 P.M.
12. There will be a roll-call at 9 P.M., after which every inmate must retire to his cot.
13. No inmate shall have any dealings with the servants of the establishment.
14. One inmate (in rotation) will be told off every Sunday as cook-house orderly. His duty will be to acquaint himself with the quantity of rations allowed, to see the rations served out from the store, and take care that they are not, after issue, stolen by the native cook.
15. Two inmates will be appointed to see that the tables are swept after breakfast and tea and washed after dinner, and that the bread is served out in the morning. They will also take charge of all the plates and pint-pots which will be filled and placed on the table before the bell is rung.
16. The working hours shall be such as the Committee may from time to time fix with the approval of the Local Government.

(Signed) R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

Govt. of (1881) Madras.
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To
THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE
GOVT WORKHOUSE.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated June, 30th.

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FORT SAINT GEORGE, MARCH 8TH 1871.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under the provisions of Sections 14 and 20 of the Vagrancy Act, and with the previous sanction of the Governor-General of India in Council, to prescribe the following rules for the management and discipline of the Government Work House at Madras.

RULES.

- I.—The Governor of the Work House shall reside on the premises and shall in no case absent himself during the night without the sanction of a Member of the Committee of Management. He shall be present at meal times and record complaints. He shall be responsible for the discipline of the Government Work House.
- II.—No inmate of the Work House shall be absent without the permission of the Governor. The Governor shall have authority to permit such absences between the hours of 5 A. M. and 8 P. M. Refusal of liberty to be reported and explained to the Committee.
- III.—Inmates who are not present at meal times that is between the hours of 8 and 9 A. M., 1 and 2 and 6 and 7 P. M., will not be served with rations. The Governor will be answerable to the Committee for any departure from the rule which he thinks it necessary to authorize.
- IV.—Any inmate found to have been drunk or disorderly either in the Work House or during absence on leave will be charged before a Magistrate under Section 14 of the European Vagrancy Act of 1874.
- V.—Any inmate who brings or causes to be brought, or receives spirituous liquors, into the Work House, shall be charged before a Magistrate with breach of rules under Section 14.
- VI.—Quarrelling, threats, abusive, obscene language and intentional annoyance of other inmates shall subject the offender to be charged before a Magistrate with breach of rules under Section 14.
- VII.—Resistance to the authority of the Governor shall be similarly dealt with under Section 14.
- VIII.—Inmates shall be bound to undertake such work as the Committee may direct.

Rules 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 are punishable under Section 14 to 3 months.
Rule 2, under Section 20 " " " " to 2 years.

By order of His Excellency the Governor-in-Council,
(Signed) B. S. ELLIS, *Chief Secretary.*

NOTIFICATION.

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By order of His Grace the Governor in Council

C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

The following are the hours appointed in G. O. No. 948, dated 13th July 1881, for work by the Inmates of the Government Work House.

From 1st February to 30th September.
From 1st October to 31st January.

From	To
6 A. M.	7 A. M.
10 "	12 noon.
2 P. M.	3 P. M.
5 "	6.30 P. M.

From	To
6.30 A. M.	7.30 A. M.
10 "	12 noon.
2 P. M.	3 P. M.
4.30 "	6 "

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

~~Read the following letter~~

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With reference
to the sixteenth of the
revised additional rules
of management and
discipline for the Madras
Government Workhouse,
which were published
with G.O. N^o 885 of
the 30th June 1881, the
Hon^{ble} the Governor in Council
sanctions the establish-
ment of the following
working hours recommended
by the Workhouse Committee:

From 1st Feb. to 30th Sept.

From	6 A.M.	to	7 A.M.
"	10 "	to	12 Noon.
"	2 P.M.	to	3 P.M.
"	5 "	to	6.30 P.M.

From 1st Oct. to 31 Jan'y.

From 6-30 A.M. to 7-30 A.M.

" 10 " to 12 noon.

" 2 P.M. to 3 P.M.

" 4-30 " to 6 "

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The President of the Comtee
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