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Requesting the Govt. of India
to extend the period of limita-
tion for transmission of
Registers of Baptisms, bound
up to 31st Dec 1900 in view of
attention of the Ven. the Arch-
deacon & Archbishop of Calcutta
to certain portions of the
Registers.

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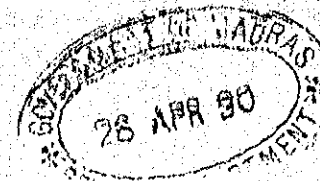
Register of Births, Deaths and Marriages
in the Presidency of Madras
Collected Res. Ord. Col. Colman

Home Dept.

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No. 500



FROM

C. J. LYALL, ESQ., C.I.E.,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Home Department.
Judicial.

Simla, the 19 April 1890.

SIR,

I AM directed to forward the accompanying copy of a letter* from the Government of Bombay and of its enclosures, relating to a proposal made by the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages in that Presidency for the extension of the period of limitation prescribed in section 32 of Act VI of 1886 for the transmission to the Registrar General of registers to which the section applies. It appears that the object of the provisions contained in Chapter V of the Act was not generally understood till it was explained in the communication from this Department marginally noted, and very little time was then left for registers to be submitted within the period of limitation which expired on the 30th September 1889. In these circumstances the Governor General in Council will be glad to be informed whether in the opinion of the Governor in Council an extended period should be allowed for the purpose indicated, and, if so, up to what date. I am to request a very early reply.

* No. 1002, dated 8th March 1890.

C/S-998 dated 23rd July 1889.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. J. Lyall

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

With 7 spare copies of each.

No. 1002, dated Bombay, the 8th March 1890.

From—J. NUGENT, Esq., c.s., Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
General Department,

To—The Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Judicial),
Calcutta.

CERTAIN registers of baptisms and burials kept at Bhavnagar by Mr. Proctor Sims were not forwarded for validation to the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages before 30th September last, i.e., within one year from the date the Births, Deaths and Marriages Act VI of 1886 came into force, as laid down in Section 32 thereof. The Registrar General reports that there are in his Office 19 more volumes of registers which reached him after the date above mentioned. As these registers will probably have to be excluded from the scope of the operations of the Commissioners to be appointed to examine registers, and as such exclusion may prove a serious matter to persons whose names are entered in the registers or their descendants, the Registrar General suggests that the Government of India should be moved to pass a short amending Act extending the period of limitation named in Section 32 of Act VI of 1886 for six months or one year from 30th September last as may seem advisable. I am accordingly directed to forward the papers noted in the

*Letter from the Political Agent, Kathiawar, No. 13, dated 2nd January 1890.
Memorandum from the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, No. 264, dated 31st January 1890.

margin*, and to request that you will be so good as to move the Government of India to take such action in the matter as may be deemed expedient.

No. 13, dated Rajkot, the 2nd January 1890.

From—F. S. P. LELY, Esq., Political Agent, Kathiawar,

To—The Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Political Department.

WITH reference to my report No. 952 of 17th July last on Government Resolution No. 1803 of 8th March, to the effect that "there are no other registers or records to which Section 32, Act VI of 1886, applies in Kathiawar," I have the honor to report that it was made on erroneous information. It now appears that the following registers are kept at Bhavnagar by Mr. R. Proctor Sims:—

1. State Register of Christian burials of every denomination,
2. Register of burials of Christians belonging to the Church of England,
3. Register of baptisms according to the rites of the Church of England.

No. 1 is kept by him as a State Official having the custody of the cemetery, which was enclosed and is maintained by the Darbar. Nos. 2 and 3 are kept by him at the request of the Lord Bishop, to whose Registrar he forwards every quarter extracts from the same.

As the existence of these Registers was not reported to this office, they were not sent for validation before the 30th September last to the Registrar General. This may prove a serious matter to persons whose births and whose relatives' deaths have been recorded therein, and I therefore beg to bring it to notice.

No. 264, dated Camp Karachi, the 31st January 1890.

Memo. from T. M. FILGATE, Esq., Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

WITH reference to the annexed letter No. 13 of 1890, from the Political Agent, Kathiawar, the undersigned has the honour to suggest that the Registers referred to should be forwarded to his Office in Bombay, and that the Government of India should be moved to pass a short amending Act extending the period of limitation named in Section 32 of Act VI of 1886, for six months or one year from 30th September last, as may seem advisable, to cover cases such as those now reported by Mr. Lely. There are now in the undersigned's

Office some 19 volumes of Registers which reached him after the date laid down in the above named Section, and which therefore, unless some measure such as that suggested be adopted, must be excluded from the scope of the operations of the Commissioners to be appointed by the Government of India. If all these Registers which have been received in the undersigned's Office after the 30th September last are to be excluded from the validation operations of the Commissioners to be appointed under Section 33 of Act VI of 1886, the result in the future may be a very serious matter indeed for a number of persons who are in no way responsible for the mishap which has occurred.

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Public No 1257

From

The Govt of India
Home Dept
(Judicial)

No 500

Dated 19th }
Recd: 28th } April 1890

Encls: 1 with 10/10/90

Proposal made by the
Regt Genl of Births, Deaths & Marriages
in the Bombay Presidency for the
extension of the period of limitation
for the transmission to the Registrar
Genl of registers.

Endorsement is
Referred to the
Registrar General
for early report.

M. J.
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In
29 Nov

To
The Regt Genl of B. D. & M. Dept
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FOR WHAT PURPOSE

Initials of
tender.

Registrar Department
(Birth, Death and Marriages)

G. No 159

From

M. R. S. Srinivasa Raghavayyengar Esq,
Dewan Bahadur,
Registrar General of Birth, Death, and Marriages,
Madras

To

The Honorable J. F. Price,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Colacannund.

Madras, the 9th May 1890.

Sir,

With reference to the Government
endorsement, dated 29th Ultimo, No 1257
Public, on letter of the Government of
India of the 19th Idem, I have the
honor to state that the period of time
allowed under Section 32 of Act II of
1886 for the submission of Registers of
Baptisms, Burials &c for validation
may be extended up to the end of 1890
as it is possible that there may be
persons having custody of such registers
whose attention had not been drawn
to the provisions of the section within
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And who consequently have been prevented from submitting the registers for validation. No such cases, however, have actually come to my notice.

2. In this connection, I beg to bring to the notice of Government that — with the exception of the registers transferred to me by the Registrar of the Diocese and those belonging to St. Mary's Church, Fort St. George, received from the Government office, not a single register has been submitted by the clergymen of the Church of England and of Rome although there must be hundreds of such registers in existence. It is, however, optional with the clergymen concerned to submit them for validation or not as pointed out by the Government of India in their letter dated 25 July 1889, No 994, printed in G. O. dated 27th August 1889, No 661. Public.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant
Shunmugam Suppiah
Registrar General of
Births, Deaths and Marriages.

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Public (1890) Department
(Registration of Births, Deaths
and Marriages)

From
The Registrar General of
Births, Deaths and Marriages,
Madras

To
The Chief Secretary to
Government,
Cotacamund.

Dated 9th }
Received 12th } May 1890.

G. No. 159.

Enclosures (nil)

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Stating that the period
of time allowed for sub-
mission of Registers under
Section 32 of Act VI of 1886
may be extended up to
the end of 1890.

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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

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Again G.O., dated

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Current No. 1257 of 188⁸, dated 19 April from the Govt. of India
Home Dept.

Current No. 1417 of 188⁹, dated 9th May from the Registrar
of B. D. M.

Order 21 May 1890 No. 371.

The Govt. of India will
regretted to extend the time
to 31 Decr 1890 as proposed
by the Registrar General.

The attention of the
Archdeacon and the
Rev. Archbishop Colgan
will be invited to the same
in para 2 of the Registrar
General's letter.

To
The Regr. Genl. of B. D. M.
Rev. the Archdeacon
Rev. Archbishop Colgan

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Letter to the Secy to the Govt.
Home Dept.

Enc. I am directed to

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our letter no 570 just
ed 19th April 1890 and
reply to forward copy of the
readings of this Govt.
1891 dated this day & to
be that in the opinion
of the Governor in Council
extended period should be
allowed for the purpose
indicated viz up to 31 Decr
1890.

B. D. & M. Registrar

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R. W. J.