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[Despatch Abstract.]

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from the Secretary, Indian
Missionary Conference ap-
pealing against an order
of this Govt. declining to receive
the Govt. India to publish
within the time allowed
for the submission of reports
for verification with reference
to section 32 of the Birth
death & marriage regis-
tration Act be forwarded
to the Govt. India -

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READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, DATED
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ENCLOSURES.

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*Re. & enclosure of time for
verification of Register of
Baptists*

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*With enclosure to
H. I.*

*Sent
25/2/92*

Kilpauk: Madras.

February 9th 1892.

From

*Rev. Henry Rice,
Secretary, Madras Missionary Conference.*

*The Honourable J. F. Price Esq C.S.,
Chief Secretary, Madras Government.*

Sir:

*Under instructions from the Madras Missionary
Conference, I have the honour to request that
you will be so good as to forward the
accompanying Appeal and Enclosures to the
Viceroy and Governor-General in Council
through the usual channel.*

*I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant.
Henry Rice*

CURRENT NO 412

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Public DEPARTMENT.

14/11/91 No 956 Pub No

From

The Secretary,
Madras Missionary Conference

No.

Dated 9th } Febry. 1892
Received NOth
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SUBJECT.

Requests to forward their
appeal to the Viceroy & Governor General
Council re: time to be given for the
receiving of Registers of Births, Deaths &
Marriages for validation.

Public Dept.

Read again by O. dated
14th Nov: 91, No 956.
Read also current 412.

Order 22 Feb 92 No 130

The petition will be
forwarded to the Govt: of
India.

To the Secy, Madras
Missionary Conference.

letter

No 131

To the Secy to the Govt: of
India, Home Dept.

Sir,

I am directed to forward
a petition from the Secre-
tary, Madras Missionary
Conference, to the Govt: of
India, appealing against
an order of this Govt: declin-
ing to move the Govt: of
India to further extend
the time allowed for the
submission of
registers to be sent in
for verification with
reference to Section 32 of
Act VI of 1886, (the Births,
Deaths & Marriage
Registration Act)

With reference to the
assert

*Copy is with the petition.

assertion in the petition that "the Govt. calling for the submission of Registers" was not made in such a way as to reach those most concerned in the matter. I am to invite attention to G.O. dt 15. 7. 88, No. 902, copy of which was forwarded to the Home Dept with letter No. 903 of the same date. Para 5 (ii) of the order in that order invited all persons having in their custody any registers or records of births, baptisms, naming, dedications, deaths or burials of the ^{dependent population} ~~kind described~~ as in section 32 of Act II of 1886 to send in such records and registers to the office of the Registrar Genl. before the 1st October 1889. Copies of the complete Pros. were forwarded to all Secretaries of Missionary Societies and to all licensed Ministers. There were at the time 286 of the latter in the Presidency and a copy of the G.O. was despatched to each ^{office} ~~one~~. They had therefore very nearly a year within which to submit their records or registers.

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3. On the receipt of a copy of Home Dept letter of the 23rd July '89, No. 994, it was without delay communicated to all Secretaries of Missionary Societies; and subsequently the Secy to the Madras Missionary Conference was appointed to be one of the commissioners for the examⁿ of the records & registers. ~~He was~~ ^{not having been instructed} therefore fully aware of the extension of time allowed by Act XVI of 1890, and it was not possible for the Govt. to know what Ministers had permitted the first period of one year to elapse without taking any action in the matter.

4. It therefore appears to this Govt. that the non verification of registers is entirely due to ~~the~~ ^{failure} ~~on the part of~~ the Missionary bodies to take advantage of the privileges conceded to them by Govt., and, in the circumstances, I ~~am to state that no~~ ^{am to state that no}

This failure to do so is, in a matter of such importance, much to be regretted, & it is for the Govt. of India to decide whether the legislation necessary for further extension of time should be undertaken

further

further extension of
time is recommended.

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note.

It will be seen that
Act XVI of 1890 was not
brought to the notice
of the Public Dept at all.
It was recd. in the usual
way in the Judicial
Dept & republished in
the Gazette, but had the
Public Dept known of it
it is probable steps wd.
have been taken to specially
call the attention of those
concerned to it.

J. D. B.

15/2/92.

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