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### Licenses Under Act XV of 1872.

Stating that the Government will not withhold the grant to ordained clergymen of — unless the District Magistrate, when submitting the application, shows any special reason against its being complied with.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.  
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

From Revd. J. P. JONES, Secretary to America-Madura Mission, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Pasumalai, 24th July 1896.

Recent correspondence between this District Magistrate and myself seems to show a change of policy on the part of Government in reference to the granting of licenses to perform marriages among Native Christians. Formerly, the Government granted such licenses upon the request of the mission. Now it is demanded of the mission to show reason for the granting of a license before one is issued. Moreover, the Collector informs me that it is the purpose of the Government hereafter to grant only a certain number proportioned to the territory or to the population covered. To this the American Mission will offer no serious objection, provided the Government will grant to all the ordained clergymen of the mission licenses upon application without demanding that a reason be given, in each case, for seeking them. We urge that the fact of full ordination ought in itself to constitute a claim and a reason for a license when applied for through the mission. This would at the same time concede to the mission what it regards as a sacred right of its clergy and reduce much the correspondence which would be necessitated by the new arrangement. If there is any idea that there are too many licenses in the mission at present we would be prepared to consider the question of withdrawing some of those formerly granted to unordained agents of the mission. But it would be unfair to the mission to deny to its ordained missionaries and Native pastors the right of performing marriages among the people of their charge. I therefore trust that, in the case of all the ordained men of our mission, licenses will be granted as formerly upon application and without demanding reasons.

From J. TWIGG, Esq., District Magistrate of Madura, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 24th August 1896, Dis. No. 795-Mgl.

With reference to endorsement No. 1571, dated 6th August 1896, I have the honour to say that I see no objection to granting the Revd. J. P. Jones' request, viz., that, in the case of ordained clergymen of the mission, licenses may be granted upon application by the mission without further enquiry.

ORDER—No. 954, Public, dated 4th September 1896.

The Government will not withhold the grant to ordained clergymen of licenses under Act XV of 1872 unless the District Magistrate, when submitting the application, shows any special reason against its being complied with. G.O., No. 547, Public, dated 28th July 1890, applies only to unordained persons.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,  
Chief Secretary.

To the Secretary to the America-Madura Mission.  
" the District Magistrate, Madura.  
" the Secretaries of other Missionary Societies.  
" other District Magistrates.

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From

CHIEF SECRETARY  
27 AUG 1896  
The District Magistrate  
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS  
Madura

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clergy men ~~under~~ of licenses  
under Act XV of 1872 <sup>unless</sup> ~~under~~ the  
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SUBJECT.

Stating that in the case of  
ordained clergymen of the  
mission, licenses may be granted  
on application by the mission  
without further enquiry.

To the Secretary to the America  
Madura Mission.  
" Dist. Magte, Madura  
" Secretaries of other  
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From the Rev. J. D. Jones  
Secretary to America  
Madura Mission

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Requesting that all the  
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may be granted licenses, to  
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