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[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing the C.M. of Kistna that the recent orders re: the indebtedness of Govt Servants apply to all Govt Servants to whom it would not be incongruous to apply the designation of 'officer' and that the term 'indebtedness' includes 'trade-debts'.

23/1/97

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 From
 The Collector of Kistna
 R.C. No. 45 Conf.

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SUBJECT.

Enquiring as to the scope
 of the recent orders on
 indebtedness of public
 servants

Presumably these will be the village, Taluk
& District, according to circumstances.

3. Para 3 of the G.O. makes it incumbent to disclose "indebtedness". The exact meaning of the word is not clear. Is the purchase of stores, articles of clothing etc. on credit "indebtedness"? The statement of indebtedness is to be given on occasions of transfer from district to district. In case the G.O. be held applicable to ministerial servants of Government, must a statement be given in case of transfer from Taluk to Taluk, or village to village?

4. The Second G.O. referred to applies to "all uncovenanted officers in the subordinate executive and judicial services".

Does this include ministerial officers and servants, Village Officers and meenials?

I have the honor to be

Yours ^{Ser} Most Obedient Servant

Collector

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1896.

FROM,

THE COLLECTOR,
KISTNA DISTRICT.

TO,

THE *Chief* SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT,
Public DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE.

Dated 18th December 1896.

Despatched 16th Dec

Received

Ref No. 45 of 1896.
Conf.

ENCLOSURES. *Nil*

SUBJECT.

Requesting to be informed
if the *Seco* quoted within
apply to all Revenue servant
non-gazetted and menial
servants included.

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800-10-96.

Public DEPARTMENT.

C. No. *2269* of 96

Indebtedness of Public Servants

FOR ORDERS.

The Collector of Kistna
enquires whether

① Seco No. 1227 of 96 and
No. 1228 of 96 apply to
all classes of public officials
including clerks, accountants
and menials.

② The phrase "all uncovenanted
officers in the subordinate
executive and judicial services"
in G.O. 1251 of 96 includes
ministerial officers and
servants, village officers and
menials.

③ With reference to Seco No. 1227
of 96, dated 17th November 96 which states
that the obligation to disclose
his indebtedness applies to
every public servant who
is appointed or re-appointed
to a position of trust and
responsibility.

Remarks that all public servants
even menials, may be said
to hold positions of trust
and responsibility. Even the
village settler who is
entrusted with the carrying of
foot mania from his village
to the taluk and that
a fortiori the terms of the
Seco would apply to clerks
and accountants.

If this is so the Collector adds that it will be necessary to define the words "local limits" in para 3 of the S.O. just quoted, and presumes that these will be the villages taking ~~and~~ ^{or} district accounts due to circumstances.

Information is also requested as to the exact meaning of "indebtedness" which, ^{from} Atkinson thinks is not clear. He asks whether the purchase of stores, clothing ^{on credit} constitutes "indebtedness"; and whether, in the case of p. 10, 1907, Pub. D. 17, 1906 being held applicable to ministerial servants of Govt, the statement of indebtedness which is to be given on occasions of transfer from district to district will also be required in case of transfer from taluqa to taluqa or village to village.

In reply of Mr. Atkinson's objections to the vagueness of the term "indebtedness" it may be mentioned that India did not think it possible to precisely define that "excessive indebtedness" which should be punished by dismissal from the service of Govt. It was ~~the~~ ^{the} degree of indebtedness which would indicate the desirability of interference in any case vide para 3 of India's letter to the Govt of the C. P. Provinces and Oudh printed in p. 10 No 1227 Pub. D. 17th November 1896.

That the term "indebtedness" which prima facie connotes "the purchase of stores, clothing on credit" is intended to

to have that meaning is clear from the phrase "indebtedness to tradesmen" and "trade debts" which occur in paras 1 and 3 of the letter just referred to.

② With reference to the scope of the phrase "all uncovenanted officers in the Subordinate Executive and Judicial Services" it is observed that in the note on page 17 of the blue pamphlet put up it is stated that the orders apply to all Executive and Judicial servants of Govt to whom the term "officer" is usually applied, ~~viz~~, the Deputy Collectors and Subordinate Judges and ~~Magistrates~~ ^{Magistrates}.

It is submitted that the orders apply to all Govt servants to whom it will not be incongruous to apply the term "officer", and that it is clear from India's letter that "indebtedness" includes trade debts. More detailed instructions do not seem needed.

Yours
A. S. H.
16.1.97

J. S.
20.1.97

~~1. 1. 1907~~ 1. 1. 1907. regards the meaning & limitations of the phrase "all uncovenanted officers of the Subordinate Executive & Judicial Services" it is submitted that Mr. Atkinson's attention may be drawn to the note on p. 17 of the "Rules" regulating the conduct of Pub. Servs. in regard to borrowing.

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(2) The phrase "officers who hold . . . positions of trust and responsibility" is defined in Sec 26. of the "Rules regulating the ^{personal} conduct of public servants". Mr. Atkinson's attention may be drawn to this also.

(3) It is thought that in practice the meaning of "indiscreetness" is not likely to cause any difficulty in coming to a decision in any particular case. No hard & fast definition appears necessary or desirable.

A.F.H. 4. Mr. Atkinson asks whether in the case of Taluk officials it will be necessary for a statement of indiscreetness to be submitted on transfer from taluk to taluk. If a statement has once been given for the District, this need seem to be unnecessary.

A.F.H. Mr. Atkinson appears to be writing merely for writing sake: it is impossible to lay down any hard and fast rule. Mr. A. knows well enough what is meant and so does everyone else.

9/1/97

Quite so. I did not
Atkinson was so
20/1/97

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Order of 72 of 23-1-97

The Collector of Kistna
will be informed that
the orders quoted by
him apply to all foot
servants to whom it
would not be incongruous
to apply the ^{designation of} term "officer",
and that it is ~~not~~
~~from foot of Indian~~
~~letter N° 22 of 1541 of 96~~
~~October 1896 recorded for~~
~~N° 1227 of 17.11.97~~
the term "indebtedness" ~~and~~
includes trade debts.

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22/1/97

Collector of Kistna (p) Defd
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21/1/97.

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