

Public Works (1899) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 591. *By*

DATED 19th May 1899

[Despatch Abstract.]

*Taxation of Railway Buildings
on the Madras-Sumner section of B.M.R.*

*Commence: to the Agent, Ind. Prov. of the
Lt. In Dept. ordering the republication of the
Notifs of the Govt. of India declaring that
the Ind. Prov. Coy. as the work agency of the
Madras-Sumner section of the B.M.R. shall
be liable to pay the house-tax in respect
of the permanent buildings situated
within the limits of the Tiruvattur Union.*

Stating that the Government of India will be addressed regarding the — of railway buildings in the Tiruvottiur Union, Chingleput district.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

From M.R.Ry. P. KRISHNA RAO Pantulu Garu, B.A., B.L., President of the Taluk Board, Saidapet, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the President, District Board, Chingleput), dated 8th July 1897, Ref. on No. 1155-T.B.

I have the honour to submit herewith the Taluk Board Resolution No. 7, dated 5th June 1897, to levy house-tax on the railway buildings belonging to the Madras-Bezwada Railway within the limits of the Tiruvottiyur Union, and to request that you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of the Government of India for levying the tax as required in G.O., No. 1869, dated 9th October 1895.

2. The Agent of the Company was furnished with a list of the buildings proposed to be taxed and his letter No. 9255—5215, dated 17th May 1897, agreeing to the imposition of the tax with the exception of three bunks, which the Taluk Board has resolved to exempt from taxation, is herewith submitted.

ENCLOSURES.

From H. WEST, Esq., Acting Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the President, Taluk Board, Saidapet, dated Madras, 17th May 1897, No. 9255—5215.

With reference to your letter, No. 1016-T.B., dated 3rd May 1897, I have the honour to inform you that the taxes proposed to be levied by the Tiruvottiyur Union on the buildings at Tiruvottiyur and Thangal are accepted except as regards the pointsmen's bunks and the temporary bunk for booking feast passengers. It is not usual to levy house-tax on such moveable structures as those above mentioned.

The enclosures to your letter are returned herewith as requested.

PROCEEDINGS of the meeting of the Taluk Board, Saidapet, held at the Deputy Collector's Office at Guindy, on Saturday the 5th June 1897, at 3 P.M.

No. 7.—Read letter No. 29, dated 30th April 1897, from the Chairman, Tiruvottiyur Union, proposing to levy house-tax on the Madras-Bezwada Railway buildings situated within the Union and the letter of the Agent, Madras Railway Company, objecting to the taxation on three bunks.

Resolution.—The bunks referred to may be exempted for reasons explained by the Agent of the Madras Railway Company. The other buildings have to be taxed.

Cur. Reg. No. 498-L.

Forwarded.

20th July 1897.

(Signed) D. D. MURDOCH,
President, District Board.

Reference No. 869.

The President is requested to explain fully the reasons for imposing the tax and to state the services which the Union Panchayat renders or will render to the railway company. He will also report whether the services rendered by the Panchayat to

the railway are the same as to other occupiers or whether the latter enjoy the benefit of any direct services, such as the provision of sanitary conveniences or a pure water supply for which the railway has to make its own arrangements.

(Signed) H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

28th July 1898.

To the President, Taluk Board, Saidapet,
through the President, District Board, Chingleput.

From M.R.Ry. P. KRISHNA RAO Pantulu Garu, B.A., B.L., President of the Taluk Board, Saidapet, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the President, District Board, Chingleput), dated 30th September 1898, Ref. on No. 553-G.L.

With reference to Government Memorandum, No. 869, dated 28th July last, calling for certain information regarding the imposition of house-tax on certain railway buildings in the Tiruvottiyur Union, I have the honour to report as follows.

It is proposed to tax the railway buildings for the following reasons:—

- (1) A feeder road has been opened from the Basin road to the Tiruvottiyur railway station at a cost of about Rs. 1,000.
- (2) The road leading from the high road to the Thangal railway station, which is frequented by railway passengers, has to be maintained.
- (3) Two lights are put up on the feeder road chiefly for the convenience of passengers.
- (4) Special sanitary arrangements are made during the important annual festivals at Tiruvottiyur and Kaladipet and these are attended by a larger number of people than usual on account of the railway.

Though the railway company is not directly benefited by the services of the Union Panchayat yet most of the sanitary measures above referred to are intended chiefly for the benefit of the railway passengers. The company does not enjoy the benefit of sanitary conveniences, such as conservancy, lighting and water-supply which other occupiers of houses in the Union enjoy; but it is no fault of the Union authorities.

Cur. Reg. No. 901-L.

Forwarded.

2. The President of the Taluk Board reports that the only servant of the railway company who lives in the Union limits is the booking clerk.

(Signed) D. W. G. COWIE,
President, District Board.

2nd November 1898.

ORDER—No. 56 L., dated 12th January 1899.

The Government of India will be addressed.

[Here enter letter, No. 57 L., dated 12th January 1899.]

(True Extract.)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the President, Taluk Board, Saidapet, through the President,
District Board, Chingleput.

Bzd. P. Seetharam.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—from

H. TREMENHEERE, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

863- With reference to Mr. Hebbert's letter, Public Works Department (Railway Traffic), No. 480 R.T., dated 28th August 1895, I am directed to forward a copy of the Proceedings of this Government No. 56 L. of this date and to request the sanction of the Government of India to the imposition, under section 77 of the Madras Local Boards Act V of 1884, of house-tax on the railway buildings situated within the limits of the Tiruvottiyur Union under the Saidapet Taluk Board in the Chingleput district.

2. The President of the Taluk Board states that a feeder road has been opened to the Tiruvottiyur railway station at a cost of about Rs. 1,000 and that the road leading from the high road to the Thangal railway station, which is frequented by railway passengers, has to be maintained at the cost of Union funds. The Panchayat has put up two lights on the feeder road chiefly for the convenience of railway passengers, and it makes special sanitary arrangements during the important annual festivals at Tiruvottiyur and Kaladipet, which are attended by a larger number of people since the construction of the railway than was the case formerly. The Railway Company does not, it is true, enjoy the benefit of any direct services, such as the provision of sanitary conveniences or water-supply like other occupiers of houses, but most of the sanitary measures adopted by the Panchayat are intended chiefly for the benefit of the railway passengers.

3. The Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company has accepted the taxes proposed to be levied by the Panchayat, except as regards the pointsmen's bunks and the temporary bunk for booking feast passengers, with reference to which he states that it is not usual to levy house-tax on such moveable structures and the Taluk Board has accordingly resolved to exempt the bunks from taxation.

4. In these circumstances, I am to request that the sanction solicited in paragraph 1 of this letter may be accorded.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

H. TREMENHEERE,
*Secretary to Government.*FORT ST. GEORGE,
12th January 1899.

Exd. P. Seetharam.

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Letter, No. 57 L., 12th January 1899.

JANUARY.

Taxation.

Requesting, with remarks, the sanction of the Government of India to the imposition of house-tax on the railway buildings situated within the limits of the Tiruvottiyur Union, Chingleput district.

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No. 940 L., 2ND MAY 1899.



GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railway Traffic), dated Simla, 27th March 1899, No. 256 R.T.

The following is forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Local and Municipal Department, for information, with reference to his letter No. 57 L., dated the 12th January 1899, to the address of the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department :—

Copy of Government of India, Public Works Department, Notification No. 120, dated 23rd March 1899.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 135 of the Indian Railways Act, IX of 1890, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to declare that the Madras Railway Company as the working agency of the Washermanpet-Ennur section of the Bezwada-Madras Railway shall be liable to pay in aid of the funds of the Tiruvattiyur union under the Saidapet Taluk Board, in the Chingleput district, a house-tax under the provisions of the Madras Local Boards Act V of 1884, in respect of the permanent Railway buildings situated within the limits of the said union.

(By Order.)

(Signed) W. J. McELHINNY, Captain, R.E.,
Offg. Under Secretary.

ORDER—No. 940 L., dated 2nd May 1899.

The notification of the Government of India will be republished in the Fort St. George and the Chingleput District Gazettes.

(True Extract.)

A. J. J. J.
for Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the President, District Board, Chingleput.
,, Public Works (Railway) Department with copies of
G.O.s., Nos. 56 L. and 57 L., dated 12th January 1899.
Gazette.

Ed. A. F. Eccleston.

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Agent & Manager Madras
Railway.

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To the Agent & Manager: h. h. h.
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Comp. h. h. h.

Taxation of Railway Buildings.

Ordering the republication, in the Fort St. George and the Chingleput District Gazettes, of the notification of the Government of India declaring that the Madras Railway Company as the working agency of the Washermanpet-Ennur section of the Bezwada-Madras Railway shall be liable to pay a house-tax in respect of the permanent Railway buildings situated within the limits of the Tiruvattiyur union.