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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 26th June 1862.*

No. 396. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department, dated 23rd June 1862, No. 969 :—

Passing orders on certain papers reporting upon the advisability of adopting some fixed scale by which the strength of Police guards supplied to Public Departments or Offices should be regulated; and referring a letter from Mr. Raynor as to the strength of the "Collector's Guards" furnished by the Police.

(Vide Judicial Proceedings, 23rd June 1862, Nos. 166—168.)

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No. 397. ORDER THEREON, 26th June 1862, No. 1,406.

Referred to the Board of Revenue for report on the subject of paragraph 7 of this order.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
*Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.*

## JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

### *PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.*

Read again letter from the Civil Paymaster, dated 16th May 1862, No. 605, recorded in Proceedings 22nd idem, No. 823.

Read also the following papers:—

From Major W. J. WILSON, Commissioner of Police; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 28th May 1862.

Judicial Department, dated 22nd May 1862, No. 823.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government noted in the margin, calling on me to report upon the advisability of adopting some fixed scale by which the strength of Police Guards supplied to Public Departments, or Offices should be regulated.

2. It appears to me that as the strength of such Guards must depend upon the nature of the duties to be performed that it is not possible to lay down any uniform rule upon the subject, and I therefore suggest that whenever a Guard of Police may be called for, the number of men of whom it is to be composed should in the first place be left to the consideration of the Head of the Department requiring it, and of the Chief Officer of Police by whom it is to be supplied, and that when this has been determined on by these Officers, the proposal should be submitted for the Orders of Government.

3. The Order of the Government of India regarding the proper manner of adjusting the charge for Police supplied as Watchmen to Public Offices, and which is quoted by the Officiating Civil Paymaster in his letter forming part of the Proceedings under reply, appears to have reference to Districts and Towns where the Chief Officer of Police has a sufficient number of spare men at his disposal whom he may furnish as Watchmen to other Departments; for it is manifest that the additional charge of 10 per cent. mentioned in paragraph 1 of the Order would be quite insufficient to meet the first cost of Clothing and Accoutrements.

Dated 4th November 1861, No. 2,158.

4. The Police Force of this City is fully and constantly employed, and the number is barely sufficient for the adequate performance of the duties expected from it. Not only is there no relief, but when a man falls sick his place must be immediately supplied by a substitute and he loses his pay until he rejoins. Under these circumstances I am not in a position to comply with any requisition for Guards or Watchmen, and the only means of meeting such demands is by raising men specially for that purpose, which as a matter of course cannot be done without the sanction of Government.

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From W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Madras Police; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 2nd June 1862, No. 1,115.

General Department.

With reference to Government Order No. 823, dated 22nd May 1862, Judicial Department, I have the honor to report that it is not at present parcticable to lay down a fixed scale for the strength of every Guard supplied by the Police to Departments.

2. The strength of Guards though varying according to local circumstances and differing in each District, is always limited by District Police Officers to that actually necessary for the duties to be performed and is carefully supervised by the Department paying for it.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd June 1862, No. 969.

The Civil Paymaster suggested that, for audit purposes, a fixed scale should be laid down of the strength of each Police Guard to be supplied to Departments or Offices.

2. The Inspector General of Mofussil Police reports that it is not at present practicable to lay down a fixed scale. The strength of the Guards varies according to times and places, and is apportioned to the actual duty by the District Police Officers, subject to the supervision of the Department employing the Guards.

3. The Commissioner of the Madras Police remarks that as the strength must depend on the nature of the duty, it is not possible to lay down any uniform rule. He suggests that whenever a Guard is required, the number of men of whom it is to be composed should be left to the consideration of the Head of the Department applying for it, and of the Chief Officer of Police, by whom it is to be supplied. Major Wilson's suggestion will be acted on in future.

4. As the charge for Police Watchmen is debited Departmentally, the duty of obtaining Government sanction will properly devolve on the Department employing the Guard,—and such sanction, when granted, will guide the Audit Office, Civil or Military, as the case may be. And it is in the Estimates of the Departments debited, that the necessary Budget provision must be made. The strength and cost of the guards furnished in each district have been fixed by the Inspector General of Police for the year 1862-63, in accordance with the Order of the 10th December last, No. 619, Financial.

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| Collector's Guards. | |
| Jail | do. |
| Military | do. |
| Court | do. |

The grades, numbers of each grade, and the amounts are given in the Statement in page 26 of the Police Budget for the year, prepared in the Government Office, a copy of which has been furnished to the Civil Paymaster.

5. The strength of Police Guards furnished to Jails will be regulated by the rule in Proceedings 12th April 1861, No. 482, viz., at the rate of one Policeman to six convicts, or nearly so. The Civil Paymaster will state whether in connection with the annual estimates, this rule is not sufficiently precise for audit purposes.

6. In regard to the Police Guards furnished to watch the Courts, it is observed from Proceedings 3rd July 1861, No. 338, Financial, that, according to the statement therein recorded, one Head Constable, 21 Deputy Head Constables, and 218, or in all 240 Policemen, will constitute the "Court Guards." In the Budget statement referred to in paragraph 5 supra, these Guards are reduced by one Deputy Head Constable and 7 Constables. The Civil Paymaster will report whether these data are not ample for audit purposes.

7. Mr. Raynor's letter of the 16th ultimo will be referred to the Revenue Department, as to the strength of the "Collector's Guards" furnished by the Police. In regard to the Guard supplied to the Military Department, no remarks are necessary, as the charges are not subject to the audit of the Civil Paymaster.

(True Extract.)

*Acting Chief Secretary.*

To the Civil Paymaster.
" Inspector General of Police.
" Commissioner of Police.
" Inspector General of Jails.
" Sudder Court.
" Revenue Department.
" Accountant General.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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Passing orders on certain papers reporting upon the advisability of adopting some fixed scale by which the strength of Police Guards supplied to public departments or Officers should be regulated; and referring a letter from Mr. Raymond as to the strength of the "Collr's Guard" furnished the Police.

No. 1406.

Referred to the Board of Revenue for report on the subject of para 7 of their order

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