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The

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
22nd March 1871.

No. 335.

No. 525.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
HOME DEPARTMENT.

Land Revenue.

SIR,—Referring to the letter from this department to your address, dated 2nd November 1870, No. 1,687, on the subject of the proposed Land Improvement Loans, I am directed to request that, as the Supreme Government have resolved on proceeding with the measure, this Presidency may not be excluded from its operation, as it has been by the Draft Bill.

2. This Government objected to the measure on two grounds, namely, 1st, that it is dangerous to the finances of the Empire, inasmuch as public money may probably be advanced and expended without a commensurate return—a result ~~likely to be appreciated at a time when the State is incurring vast pecuniary~~ obligations under various heads; and, 2nd, that the system advocated is particularly inapplicable to this Presidency, owing to the sub-division of property and the methods of culture practised here.

3. But these are no grounds for excluding Madras from the possible benefits of the measure, if, contrary to the opinion of this Government, it is adopted.

4. The Government of India, notwithstanding the scruples of this Government, has resolved to accept the risk and responsibility attached to an increase of State liabilities for agricultural improvements, and the revenues of Madras, along with those of the rest of India, will be liable for the contemplated advances either in the form of principal or interest. This Presidency ought, therefore, to be admitted to the same benefits (if such there be) as will be the territories enumerated in the Bill as introduced.

5. Nor should this Presidency be excluded on the ground that this Government deem the measure particularly inapplicable to Madras. It was not stated that there are *no* cases in which the principle of the Bill might be applied to land here, for, in fact, instances will occur in which the application might be made; and although this Government would not be able to apply the Act often, or to a large extent, still they ought to be able to do so when they think it safe and expedient.

6. This Government gave their opinion that the Bill ought not to be passed at all, but they did not desire that if it was passed against their advice, Madras should be excluded from it; that Madras, in fact, should share the responsibilities and be deprived of the possible benefits.

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7. Either Madras should be included in the range of the measure, or if excluded, then the provinces to which the Act will apply should be declared and held responsible for the interest and principal of their loans in addition to their public revenue.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

(Signed)

W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary to Government.

Revenue Dept.
22^d March 71

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W. HUDLESTON,

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Revenue Dept.
22^d March 1861

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DEPARTMENT.

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FOR ORDERS.

I think that the proposal to omit the
Presidency of Madras from the scope of
the proposed act is unjust and that
we ought to claim the retention of this
Presidency to all the benefits of the
act.

This Govt has objected to the act on
two grounds.

1. That it is dangerous to the
finances of the Empire inasmuch
as further money may probably be
demanded & expended without

this Presidency may not

C. 10 July 1861

7. Either Madras should be included in the range of the measure, or if excluded, then the provinces to which the Act will apply should be declared and held responsible for the interest and principal of their loans in addition to their public revenue.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. LESTON

a commensurate return a result greatly
1. The dejected state of the
State is incurring vast pecuniary obligations
on various heads.

2. That the system advocated is
particularly inapplicable to this
Presidency owing to the subdivision of
property and the methods of culture
practised here.

But there are no grounds for excluding
Madras from the possible benefits of
the Act if contrary to our opinion it
is adopted.

The Govt. of India notwithstanding the
supplies of this Govt. has resolved to
undertake the risk responsibility

Revenue Dept
22nd March 1871

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The Secretary to the Govt. of India

attached to an increase of State liabilities
for agricultural improvement.

The revenues are Madras will be held
liable along with those of Bengal for
the contemplated advances either in the
form of principal or interest.

This Govt. will therefore be admitted
the same benefits as Bengal, if
such there be.

Now should this Presidency be included
on the ground that this Govt. deem the
Act particularly inapplicable to
Madras. We have not said that there
are no cases in which the principle
of the Act might be applied
to land here. In fact there are
exceptional cases in which the
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against our advice Madras should
be excluded from it, that Madras
should share the responsibilities and
be deprived of the benefit.

I quite agree in this above - a bill
had better be dispatched.

Yrs. We should urge by A.P.
telegram - in that Madras should
be included or - be free to do so - that
the provinces concerned in the
measure

to be included in the measure & held responsible for the interest & principal of their loans in addition to their public revenue.

Revenue Dept
22nd March 1911

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The Secretary to the Govt of India
Revenue Dept.

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from this Dept. to your
address dated 2nd November
1910 No 1687, on the subject
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Improvement Loans, I am
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ing with the measure,
this Presidency may not

A.P.
L.D.

The

C. 10 Feb 1911

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as it has been by the
draft bill.

2. This Govt. objected
to the measure on two
grounds, viz. 1st, that it
is dangerous to the finances
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will be the territories
enumerated in the bill
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5. Nor should this
Presidency be excluded
on the ground that this
Govt. deems the measure
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and principal of their
loans in addition to
their public revenue.

Print - and
send a copy
to the
Governing
Council.

8. I am directed
to request that this
letter may be communicated
to the Supreme Legislative
Council.

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