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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
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26th September 1878.

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No. 329.
To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Miscellaneous.

SIR,—With reference to Mr. Plowden's letter, dated 4th September 1878, No. 2,386-G, I am directed to inform you that the views of His Grace the Governor in Council, in connection with the arrangements to be made for taking the Census of India in 1881, have already been communicated to the Government of India in the Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, in letters, dated 25th June and 17th August 1878, Nos. 962 and 1,329, respectively, copies of which, with the Proceedings of Government,* to which they refer, I am now directed to forward for information.

* G.O., 25th June 1878, No. 961.
,, 17th Augt. ,, ,, 1,329.

2. It will be observed, with reference to the inquiry contained in your Office letter, dated 30th March 1878, No. 743-P, (received with the letter now under acknowledgment,) that alluding to the proposal contained in paragraph 48 of the Census Committee's report, the Board of Revenue concurred in thinking it undoubtedly desirable that Native States should be induced to undertake an enumeration of population simultaneously with the General Census, noting that the proposal would probably be readily acceded to, if a mere numbering of the people by sex be all that is required, and that this Government thereon called for information from the Native States† as to the views held on the question.

Paragraph 2 of their Proceedings, recorded in G.O., 25th June 1878.

Paragraph 5, G.O., 25th June 1878, No. 961.

† Travancore. Sundoor.
Cochin. Pudoocotta.
Banganapalli.

3. The reply from the Governments of Travancore and Cochin was satisfactory as shown in G.O., 17th August 1878, No. 1,329. No information has yet been received in the other cases, but it will seem to be called for.

4. The extent of detail to which the Census operations shall be carried beyond that indicated by the Census Committee in Native States must, in a great measure, be left to the discretion of the respective Durbars. But they will, no doubt, perceive the advantage of following, as nearly as may be, the lines adopted for British India, where the object is to collect such information only as is indispensable for statistical and administrative purposes.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

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To

The Secretary to the Govt of India
Foreign Department

Sir,

With reference to the Hon'ble Rowden's letter dated 24th Sept. 1878 No 2386 C. I am directed to inform you that the views of His Grace the Governor in Council, in connection with the arrangements to be made for taking the Census of India in 1881, have already been communicated to the Govt of India in the Dept of Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce in letters dated 25th June and 17th August 1878 Nos 962 and 1329 respectively, copies of which with the Proceedings of Govt to which they refer are now directed to forward for information.

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3 The reply from the Governments of Travancore and Cochin was satisfactory as shown in C.O. 17th August 1878 No 529 - No information has yet been received in the other cases but it will again be called for.

4. It was understood that the "extent of detail" was that indicated by the Census Committee viz - a mere numbering of the people by sex - and the readiness expressed by Travancore and Cochin evidently has reference to that basis.

I do not see any reason for referring this particular case to the acceptance of the proposal as to not encouraging it - to Native States like Travancore Cochin again for State purposes all that the Natives Govts require within their own territory & should follow the strong advice given to follow the same lines - but say

The extent of detail to be called for in Census Operations should be carried beyond that indicated in the Census Committee's Report in native States must be left to the discretion of the Respective Governments - But the Resident should not be asked to doubt whether it would be advantageous for as nearly as may be the Census operations of British & Native States should be collected and information on such points as is indispensible for Statistical purposes

or words to that effect

To
Whelpley & Bliss
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