

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th March 1870.*

Read the following letters :—

No. 96. From the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Fort William, 13th November 1869, No. 2,432.

IN view of the great importance of the publication of consolidated monthly Statements of the Trade and Navigation of British India by this department as early as possible after the month to which they relate, I am directed to ask whether His Excellency the Governor in Council can suggest any measure for expediting Returns of the Madras Presidency.

REFERRED to the Board of Revenue for early report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
29th November 1869.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 97. From the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 26th January 1870.

I AM directed, with reference to the subject of the letter of the Officiating Secretary to Government of India, dated 13th November 1869, calling for suggestions as to a measure for expediting the Trade Returns of this Presidency, to state that the Board have carefully considered the matter, and are of opinion that scarcely any improvement can be effected.

2. The delay is due to the remote situation of many of the Ports, and the absence of postal facilities.

3. It is absolutely necessary, in order to insure accuracy, that the Returns should be submitted to the Collectors of districts, as the Board have no means of checking the figures in case of the Returns being forwarded to them direct.

4. The Returns for one month are usually received in the Board's Office by the 18th of the following month, and with the present strength of establishment, it is not practicable to have them tabulated and compiled before the end of the month at earliest. If three additional hands were entertained at a monthly cost of 90 rupees a saving of five days might be effected, but further than this, the Board are unable to propose any mode of accelerating these Returns.

No. 98. ORDER THEREON, 11th March 1870, No. 316.

Separate Revenue, No. 5.
Customs.

THE Government resolve to call the attention of the Board to paragraph 3 of the enclosed copy of a letter to the Officiating Secretary to the Govern-

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ment of India, and to request that the Board will use all means in their power to carry out the proposed arrangement.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Ed. F. R. Hartmann

REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
11th March 1870.

No. 347.

No. 99.

To

THE OFFICIATING SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Separate Revenue, No. 6.
Customs.

Dated 26th January 1870.

SIR,—In acknowledging receipt of your letter, dated 13th November 1869, No. 2,432, I am directed to forward the marginally noted Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, expressing their opinion that increased expedition to any

marked extent in transmitting the monthly Trade Returns is impracticable.

2. The annexed table shows the dates on which these Returns were received at and despatched from the Government Office during the last four months :—

Returns for Sept. 1869, received 2nd Nov. and despatched 6th Nov.

Do.	Oct.	"	"	7th Dec.	"	14th Dec.
Do.	Nov.	"	"	18th Jan. 1870,	"	21st Jan.
Do.	Dec.	"	"	11th Feb. "	"	15th Feb.

3. I am to state that, in the opinion of the Government, any apparent delay in preparing and forwarding these Returns is mainly attributable to the large number of Ports in the Madras Presidency. The Government have, however, requested the Board to arrange that the Returns shall leave their Office not later than the 5th of the second month after the month to which they relate, unless a Mail Steamer is expected between the 5th and 8th, in which case they should be despatched in time to catch the Steamer.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Financial 1870 Department.

From Government of

Port St. George.

Dated 11th March.

No. 647.

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No. 99.

Notwithstanding the Board of Revenue,
and as the same are not used in relation
to any marked or unmarked documents,
the Board is impracticable.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 11th March 1870.

Read the following Letters—

From the Offg Secy to the Govt of India
to the Secy to the Govt of Madras

Asking to suggest any
means for expediting the Returns
of the Madras Presd for the publication
of monthly consolidated statements
of the Trade & Navigation of British
India by the Govt of India

M. 13th Nov 1869, No 2032.

From the Secy to the Govt of India
to the Secy to the Govt of Madras

Informing that there are
various means of accelerating pro-
cession of the Trade Returns

26 Jan'y 1870

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the attention of the Board
to para 3 of the enclosed
copy of a Letter to the Offg
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Board will use all means
in their power to carry
out the proposed arrangement.

Agd.
W. H.

14th Feb 1870

By the Secy to the Govt of India

For the Secy to the Govt of India
expressing their opinion that the
in any manner to be recommended
Trade Returns is impracticable.

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Rev. Secy
11th March 1870

N^o. 347.

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Financial Reports

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Dated 26 Jan^y 1870

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