

Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 2397

DATED 4th June

[Despatch Abstract.]

Replying to the question proposed by the
Hon: T. Ramesaswami Pillai re: a Correspondence
headed "Tamilvelly Collectorate" in the Madras
Standard of the 23rd March 1898, which implies
certain native Govt. Officers of the District
of a dark skin color, & particularly of the
Tamil race.

BACK PAPERS.

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G.O. Mis. no. 23, 7th 4th June 98.

Question by the Honble P. Ratu
Sahhapat Pillai.

(a). Has the attention of Government been drawn to a correspondence headed "Tinnevely Collectorate" in the Madras Standard of the 23rd March 1898, which implicates certain native Revenue officials of the District in taking up a dharkust land and partitioning it among themselves?

(b). Is there any truth in the statements made in the above correspondence.

(c). If Government is not in possession of any information in the matter, will it be pleased, in the interests of the officials referred to, to order an enquiry?

To the Under Secy.

The ^{letter} ~~enquiry~~ in question appeared in the "Madras Standard" of the 24th March 1898, not of the 23rd. The attention of Govt ^{was} ~~was~~ not ~~been~~ drawn to the correspondence and there is no information on the subject. For orders as to whether any report should be called for.

EW
7/5/98

Secy

Submitted that the following answer may be given

"The Govt has no information on the subject. ~~As the Govt has~~

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to believe that the
 matter has not received
^{sufficient} adequate attention at
 the hands of the responsible
 local officials, if seen
 insufficient
 no reason to order
 Enquiries have any
 order in the matter."

MLL
 7.5.58

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Re the letter dated
 that the P.M. is making
 a "searching inquiry"
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and at present

I think the answer had better
 be in this form: -

a. The attention of the
 not drawn to the letter headed, "The
 Timeliness Collector's", which appears
 in the Standard of the 24th, but
 not the 23rd of March, till
 this question was asked.

b. The Govt has no information
 on the subject.

c. It is stated in the letter
 that the Comm. was looking through
 to make a searching inquiry,
 the Govt has no reason to
 issue any order on the
 subject.

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Minister of the House
 Enquiry against the
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MLL
 9.5.58 12.45 PM

Note.

There are two
 editions of the "Madras
 Standard" both
 morning and evening.
 The article headed
 "Timeliness collector's"
 appeared probably
 in the evening issue
 of the 23rd March and
 also in the morning
 issue of the 24th. Since
 stations are supplied
 with the evening
 edition and the
 Hon'ble P. Ratnasabha-
 pati Pillai is possibly
 referring to this issue.
 The copy in the Govt
 office is presumably
 the morning edition
 having been received
 at Madras while
 the Govt was there.
 Perhaps the words
 "which appears in
 the Standard of the
 24th", not the 23rd of March
 occurring in the

answer to question ~~XXXX~~
may be omitted.

It is regretted that
the above view did
not occur to the office
when the note was
written yesterday.

PA
3/5/58

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STATEMENT WITH DICTO

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