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[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording memo from the Legislative Department forwarding copy of certain questions to be put at the Legislative Council on the 13th instant and requesting that the draft answers to the questions may be submitted on or before the 8th instant.

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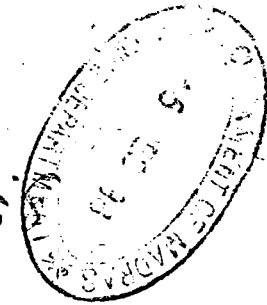
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The accompanying copy of question,* which will probably be put at the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the 13th instant is forwarded to the Revenue Department for favour of the preparation of a draft answer with a note of such other information as may be deemed necessary.

It is requested that the draft answer may be forwarded so as to reach the undersigned before 5 pm on Thursday the 8th instant.

* Question No. II, III, & IV of the Hon'ble R, X & XIV.

FORT ST. GEORGE,

5 Dec 1898.

A. Edgington

for Secretary to Government.

To The Revenue Department.

P.S.—It is requested that the draft answers together with the notes, if any, may be written only on one side of the paper.

VERY URGENT.

GOVERNMENT OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

QUESTIONS proposed to be asked by the Hon'ble GHULAM MUHAMMAD SAHIB Bahadur, at the meeting of the Council to be held on the 13th December 1898.

Revenue Department.

II (a). Will Government be pleased to state if its attention has been drawn to the entire absence of the Muhammadan element from the higher grades of the Salt and Abkari department, such as, Assistant Commissioners, Inspectors and Assistant Inspectors?

(b) Is Government aware that even in the lower ranks of the Sub-Inspectors, there are only 27 Muhammadans, whilst there are 776 Hindus?

(c) Will Government be pleased to consider the desirability of transferring one of the Muhammadan Deputy Collectors as an Assistant Commissioner of Salt and Abkari Revenue, as was recently done in case of a Hindu Deputy Collector and draw the attention of the Board of Revenue to this proposal and to the facts mentioned in (a) and (b) in view to a better representation of the Muhammadans in the Salt, Abkari and Customs department?

III. Is Government aware of the entire absence of Muhammadans in the higher grades of the Forest service, ever since the retirement of the solitary Muhammadan Assistant Conservator of Forests some years ago? Will Government be pleased to instruct the Board of Revenue to issue orders to Conservators to give encouragement to Muhammadan candidates, seeing that Muhammadans as a class are eminently fitted for out-door work?

V. In view of the paucity of Muhammadan Deputy Collectors and Tahsildars and of the observation made by the Secretary of State in connection with the Simultaneous Examinations question that Muhammadans possess an aptitude for administrative work, will Government be pleased to pick out a select few among the Muhammadan graduates already in the service and appoint them as Probationary Deputy Collectors and Tahsildars, after giving them the benefit of training under some competent Collectors?

GOVERNMENT OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

QUESTIONS proposed to be asked by the Hon'ble M.R.Ry. P. RATNASABHAPATI
PILLAI Avargal at the meeting of the Council to be held on the 13th Decem-
ber 1898.

Revenue Department.

VI. (a) With reference to my question No. XV and the answer thereto at the meeting of the Council dated the 4th April, will Government be pleased to state whether G.O., No. 704, dated 19th September 1895, is intended to exempt from income-tax only pensions and other incomes earned and received in a Native State, but afterwards brought or remitted into British India?

(b) Whether upon the same principle, pensions and other incomes earned in a Native State, but paid and received in British India at a British treasury, are not entitled to exemption from taxation?

(c) Whether Government will be pleased to cause a revision of the terms of the Government Order quoted above in view to the exemption therein allowed being extended to the pensions and other incomes of the kind referred to in clause (b) of this question?

VII. (a) Is it a fact that plantain cultivations on the margins of the Cauvery and its branches in Trichinopoly, Tanjore and other districts are charged with water rates, even where the flow of the water to the plantations is spontaneous?

(b) Is Government aware that water in such cases is injurious to the plantations, and will Government be pleased to issue orders for the removal of the rates, if the answer to clause (a) of this question be in the affirmative?

X. In view of the fact that Tahsildars are now compelled to keep horses, will Government be pleased to take into consideration the necessity of sanctioning a horse allowance to these officers, a part from the batta of one rupee per diem now allowed to them only for days they are out in camp?

XIX. (a) Has the attention of Government been drawn to the sub-leader in the *Hindu*, dated 1st September 1898, headed "High-handed Proceedings by Revenue Officials," and has Government made any enquiry into the matter referred to therein, and, if so, with what result?

(b) Is it a fact that whereas no arrear was due by the shrotriendrar of Mukundarayapuram (Wallaja—North Arcot), an arrear of 2 pies for fasli 1305 was claimed from him, and his land worth Rs. 30 was sold in auction for Rs. 6-8-0 on 16th May 1896?

(c) Did the shrotriendrar send two registered letters, one to the Tahsildar, and one to the Head Assistant Collector on 11th May 1896 intimating that there was not a single pie in arrear against him, and that the sale advertized ought to be stopped?

(d) Was the auction sale nevertheless held on 16th May 1896 with the results mentioned in clause (b) of this question?

(e) Did the shrotriendrar give to the Collector notice of his intention to file a civil action against Government, and was any enquiry made by Government or the Board of Revenue upon the receipt of the notice of the intended action before the defence was sanctioned, and, if so, with what result?

(f) Was a civil suit subsequently filed by the shrotriendard against Government in the Court of the District Munsif of Sholingar, and decreed against Government with costs amounting to Rs. 22 and odd payable to the plaintiff, while his actual expenses amounted to nearly Rs. 400?

(g) If the facts are as stated above, does not the Government think that the shrotriendard is entitled to some adequate reparation at the hands of Government?

XXIV—(a) With reference to the figures quoted on the margin in regard to the

revenue sales made for arrears of land revenue for fasli 1806, and the observations of the Board of Revenue in its resolution submitting to Government its report on the settlement of land revenue for the above fasli that the Collectors of Vizagapatam and Tanjore will be separately requested to report on the abnormal increases in the number of sales, has Government received any communication from the Board on the cause of the increases in question?

(b) Will Government be pleased to direct the papers on the subject to be placed on the table?

District.	Number of default- ers whose property was sold in	
	Fasli 1805.	Fasli 1806.
Tanjore	727	1,549
Vizagapatam	65	126
Trichinopoly	246	379

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