

# Revenue (1899) Department.

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G.O., No. 1901

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[Despatch Abstract.]

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favour of remarks letter from the Govt of India  
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From

The Government of India,  
Finance and Commerce Department.

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for favour of remarks.

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(Sd) G.S. Forbes.

Secretary to Govt.

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SUBJECT.

To

The Board of Revenue (S.R.)

Inviting opinion on the  
suggestion of the Manchester Chamber  
of Commerce relating to the mode of  
marking cut piece goods and enquiring  
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 11<sup>th</sup> May 1899.

To  
The Secretary to the  
Government of Madras.  
Revenue Department.

Sir,  
In the letter from the  
Manchester Chamber of Commerce  
dated the 12<sup>th</sup> March 1898, regarding  
the stamping of cut piece goods  
forwarded with the communication  
from this Department No. 2022 S.R. dated  
the 4<sup>th</sup> May 1898, the Chamber suggested  
(para 2) that such piece goods should  
be marked conspicuously on the  
outer fold of each piece with the  
words "cut piece" and they expressed  
the hope that this method of marking  
would be deemed satisfactory.

2. The Chamber have now enquired  
whether

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whether their suggestion has been  
adopted and I am to request that  
the Government of India may be  
favoured with the opinion thereon  
of His Excellency the Governor in  
Council and that it may at the  
same time be stated what is the  
practice at present in Madras.  
Enclosed are letters and their annexures  
from the Governments of Bengal and  
Bombay in answer to a reference  
on this subject made from this  
Department.

I have the honour to be  
Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

W. L. M.

Asst Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Financial Department  
Separate Revenue Branch  
No 1950 SR.

From  
The Offg. Secy. to the Govt of Bengal.

To  
The Secretary to the Government of India  
Finance & Commerce Department  
Calcutta the 24<sup>th</sup> March 1899.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter No. SR. 517, dated  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1899, in which the Govern-  
ment of India enquire, with reference to  
para: 2 of the letter from the Manchester  
Chamber of Commerce, dated the 12<sup>th</sup> March  
1898, relative to the mode of marking  
cut piece goods, whether it will be  
sufficient to direct the stamping of the  
words "cut pieces" in addition to the length  
on the outerfold of each piece.

2. In reply, I am directed to say that  
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to be sent

at the Collector of Customs, Calcutta  
the who was consulted in the matter  
states that he can see no objection to  
of the mode of marking proposed but  
I suggest, as an additional precaution,  
that the outer piece which is stamped  
with the aggregate number of yards,  
should also indicate the number  
of "cut pieces" within its fold. The  
Board of Revenue agree, and I am  
to say that this Government also  
supports the opinion expressed.

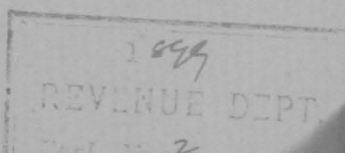
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Letter from the Collector of Customs,  
Karachi, No. 1034, dated 9th March  
1899.

Letter from the Collector of Customs,  
Bombay, No. C/5614, dated 7th April 1899.

To be sent

No. 2945 of 1899.

Revenue Department.

Bombay Castle, 28th April 1899.

From,

J.W.P. Muir Mackenzie, Esquire, I.C.S.,

Secretary to the Government of

Bombay,

To

The Secretary to the Government of

India,

Finance and Commerce Department,

Simla.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the  
receipt of Mr. Officiating Assistant-  
Secretary Robertson's letter No. S.R.,  
dated 3rd February 1899, inviting ---

Received with Memorandum No. 2022-S.R.,  
dated 4th May 1898. (under G.O. 2123 of 17.5.98)

attention to paragraph 2 of the letter  
from the Manchester Chamber of Com-  
merce dated 12th March 1898, in which  
that body suggested that all cut ---  
piece goods should be marked conspicu-  
ously on the outer fold of each piece  
with the words "cut piece", and en-  
quiring whether in the opinion of this  
Government, it will be sufficient to --  
direct the stamping of the words "cut  
pieces" in addition to the length on  
the outer fold of each piece.

2. In reply I am directed to forward  
for the information of the Government  
of India copies of the letters from --  
the Collectors of Customs, Karachi and  
Bombay, who were consulted on the sub-  
ject. This Government agree with --

the Commissioner and the Collector of Customs, Bombay, that the number of yards and cut pieces should be shown on the outer fold of each piece. It will be observed that the merchants consulted accept the Collector's view.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(D?) J. Minier Mackenzie

Secretary to Government.

His Memorandum No. 1534,  
dated 14th April 1899,  
(copy appended).

No. 1034 of 1899.

From

R. N. Coghlan, Esquire,  
Chief Collector of Customs in Sind,  
KARACHI.

To

The Commissioner in Sind,  
On Tour.

Karachi Customs House,  
9th March 1899.

Sir,

In returning Government endorsement No. 1115 dated 13th ultimo received under your Merchandise Marks Act Marking of "cut pieces" No. 1116 of 3rd. instant. I have the honour to state that in my opinion it would be sufficient to stamp the words "cut pieces" in addition to the length on the outer fold of each piece if the entire length consists of two portions, but when there are more than two the number of such portions should also be indicated, as the value decreases in an inverse ratio to the increase in the number of divisions. It would, however, be preferable, if practicable to have each portion stamped with its own length, to prevent fraud on illiterate people who, though they may be able to distinguish numerals cannot read or understand English words.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Sd) R. N. Coghlan,  
Chief Collector of Customs in  
Sind.

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No. C/5614 of 1899.

From

W. T. Morrison, I.C.S.  
Collector of Land Revenue, Customs and Opium,  
Bombay;

To

The Commissioner of Customs and  
Opium and Abkari.

Bombay Custom House  
7th April 1899.

With reference to your memo No. 917 dated 22nd.

February 1899, the accompanying to which is returned --  
herewith, I have the honour to state my opinion that it --  
is necessary to insist on the following system of marking:  
"(40) yards in (6) cut pieces". As was pointed  
out by Collector of Customs, Madras, a single piece of  
40 yards is in the market more valuable than two which  
make up the length. And similarly two pieces making up  
40 yards are more valuable than six pieces making up the  
same length. It is therefore obviously desirable that  
purchasers should know the exact number of cut pieces  
making up each full piece. The European & Native  
Merchants, who have been consulted, agree on this point.  
I do not think that any real difficulty will be experienced  
by home manufacturers in complying with the proposed --  
requirement.

I have the honor to be,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
(Sd) W. T. Morrison.  
Collector of Customs  
and Opium.

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14<sup>th</sup> April 1899.

Submitted to Government in the Revenue  
Department with reference to their No. 1118 dated 13<sup>th</sup>  
February last

2. The undersigned agrees with the Collector.

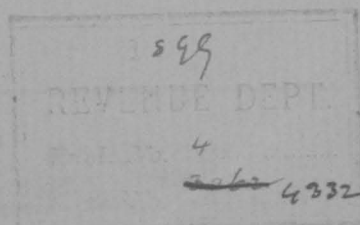
(sd) J. Pollen

Ag. Commissioner of Customs,  
Salt Opium and Akhari

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Registrar  
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