

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Health, Education and Local Administration Department.
(Local Administration)

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S.O.No. 1505, 29th October 1 9 5 4-

Streets - Private Streets in municipalities - Enforcement of provisions of Madras District Municipalities Act by executive authorities of municipal councils - Necessity - impressed.

Read the following papers:-

From the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards,
dated 29th June 1954 L.Pis No. 72975/63.

Order No. 1505 L.A., dated 29th October 1954.

Instances have come to the notice of the Government where certain municipal councils proposed to take over for maintenance private streets on the ground that the public have acquired a right of way over them, though the streets have not been made in accordance with the provisions of the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1920.

2. Sections 175 to 177 of the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1920 provide for making of new private streets on lands disposed of as building sites, and section 178 of the Act empowers the executive authority to require the owners or occupiers of buildings or lands fronting or abutting on any such street or part thereof to level, pave metal, flag, drain, conserve and light such streets to his satisfaction. Unless the provisions of the said sections of the Act are strictly enforced by the Executive authority of the municipal council concerned, the private streets already formed or the new private streets will be unfit for traffic and it will become difficult for a municipal council to take over such streets later if they are to be declared as public streets under section 179 of the Act. Government wish to impress upon the executive authorities of municipal councils the necessity to exercise in time and in proper manner the powers vested in them under the Madras District Municipalities Act with a view to see that private streets are made in proper form and thereafter maintained if necessary, as private streets in good condition. The municipal councils are informed that unless the private streets are properly formed and kept in good condition, they should not be taken over for maintenance at municipal cost, as taking over of private streets in bad condition will involve wastage of public funds. The Municipal councils are warned against wastage of public funds incurred as a result of taking over private streets not maintained properly. They should require the executive authority to enforce in a proper manner the provisions of the Madras District Municipalities Act for maintaining private streets in good condition.

(By order of the Governor)

To
The Executive Authorities of Municipal Councils (through the Chairmen of Municipal Councils concerned)

Endorsement.

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Copy to the Town Planning Officer, Municipal Civil Engineer, Municipal Health Officer, Municipal Electrical Engineer and Clerks in the Town Planning Section.

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