

**BRITISH ADMINISTRATION IN TANINTHAYI
DIVISION (1824-1885)**

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ABSTRACT

This dissertation is a brief presentation of the British Administration in Taninthayi Division, Myanmar, from 1824 to 1885. The administration of Taninthayi Division was based on the administrative pattern exercised in Indian provinces. It gave priority to levying taxes and maintaining law and order. Adhering to thrifty and convenient policy, the British maintained the tax system and Civil Procedure Code of the Myanmar Kingdom and practised them whenever the circumstances were appropriate. Meanwhile, the British tried to lay down the colonial administration little by little as a substitute for the Myanmar Administrative pattern. From 1824 to 1885, the administrative machinery of the Commissioner in Taninthayi Division was that of a bureaucracy which practised centralization of power and hierarchy of echelons in different levels the region. That period was the early colonial era when the British laid the foundation stone of the British Colonial Administration. The administrative laws, tax laws, law and order enforcement laws, judicial laws enacted during that time were pivotal for the British Administration of Myanmar in the years later. It was also the time when Myanmar's good old traditions deteriorated slowly and the capitalist economic system and new capitalist social system started to take shape.

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