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READ—the following papers :—

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G.O., No. 10, Educational, dated 7th January 1908.

ABSTRACT.—Sanctioning a maximum grant of Rs. 2,000 towards the cost of extending the building occupied by the St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' High school subject to certain conditions.

II

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D.Sc., F.R.S., Director of Public Instruction.

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—Madras, the 14th April 1908.

No.—Ref. on Cur. No. 1457/07.

In their Order No. 10, Educational, dated 7th January 1908, Government have been pleased to sanction a maximum grant of Rs. 2,000 towards the cost of extending the building occupied by St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' High school, Coonoor, subject to certain conditions, two of them being—

(1) that in carrying out the work, the suggestions of the Chief Engineer in his note read therein are adopted,

(2) that the work is completed before the 30th of June 1908.

2. In his note, the Chief Engineer suggested, among other things, that instead of having the stair-case outside, it would be better to have a small stair-case room as shown in pencil on the plan. In regard to this, the correspondent writes to say that it is not feasible to carry out the suggestion owing to the presence of a large sheet rock within a few feet of the existing building the removal of which would be costly and dangerous to the building. He says that, in anticipation of approval, he has given directions for the construction of the stairs along the side of the existing building and the new extension as shown in the rough sketch, and for covering up the portion between the door of the little boys' room (second floor), and the one leading into Convent stairs. It is stated that the portion below the Convent door will be left uncovered. The correspondent further requests that the time fixed for the completion of the building may be extended by two months on the ground that there is now a great demand for both labour and material. In support of his requests, the correspondent submits a letter, dated 11th March 1908, from the Engineer in charge of the construction. In these circumstances, I beg to recommend that the requests may be sanctioned. I have, however, informed the correspondent that if the stairs were constructed as proposed by him prior to receipt of sanction of Government, it would prejudice his title to the grant.

3. The approved plan of the building, the letter of the Engineer in charge of the works and a sketch of the proposed stair-case are submitted herewith for reference and favour of return.

Order—No. 381, Educational, dated 18th May 1908.

In the circumstances stated, the Government approve the action of the management of the St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' High school, Coonoor, in constructing the stairs alongside the existing building and the new extension, instead of having a separate stair-room as suggested by the Chief Engineer in his note read in G.O., No. 10, Educational, dated 7th January 1908.

2. The time fixed for the completion of the building will also be extended up to 31st August 1908.

(True Extract.)

C. A. SOUTER,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction with plan,
Engineer's letter and the sketch.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 381, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
18TH MAY 1908.

[SUBJECT.—*Deviation in the approved plan for the construction of a building for the St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' School, Coonoor, and the extension of the time for the completion of the work.*]

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 14th April 1908, No. 1457.

The points for orders are—

(1) Whether the action of the correspondent of the St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' School, Coonoor, in having, in anticipation of approval, given directions for the construction of the stairs along the side of the existing building and the new extension instead of having a small stair case room as suggested by the Chief Engineer in his note, dated 12th December 1907, may be approved ; and

(2) whether the time fixed for the completion of the building, viz., 30th June 1908, may be extended by two months, that is, to 31st August 1908.

2. It is not stated how the deviation from the approved plan affects the estimate. The correspondent should not, however, have made any alterations in the plan approved by Government without consulting the Director of Public Instruction and obtaining his approval. It is submitted that the remarks of the Public Works Department may be invited on point (1) in paragraph 1 *supra*.

P.R.—1-5-07.

Article 58 (f) of the Code of Regulations for European schools, says that before a building grant is sanctioned, the department must be satisfied that the plans, estimates and specification of the proposed building have been approved by the Public Works Department. In this case, the plans and estimates for the proposed extension of the building of St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' High School, Coonoor, were forwarded by Government to the Public Works Department for scrutiny, and the grant was sanctioned subject to the condition, among others, that

Vide paragraph 1 (1) of G.O., No. 10, Educational, dated 7th January 1908.

the Chief Engineer's suggestion to have a separate stair room instead of having the stair case outside the building should

be adopted. The correspondent of the school, appears to have ordered the construction of the stair-case as originally proposed by him, and the reasons given in the Director of Public Instruction's letter for not adopting the Chief Engineer's suggestion, as to having a separate stair room, seem to be adequate. The correspondent should not, however, have given orders to construct the stair-case as originally

Cf. Article 62 (a) of the European Code.

proposed by him, without first obtaining the approval of Government to the deviation.

For orders whether this irregularity may be overlooked. The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, may perhaps be consulted u.o. as to whether the reasons given for not adopting his suggestion in regard to a separate stair room are adequate and whether the deviation is likely to affect the stability of the building.

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2. The extension of time applied for up to 31st August 1908 for completion of the building may, it is submitted, be sanctioned.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—2-5-08.

The Chief Engineer may be consulted.

C. A. SOUTER—4-5-08.

Will the Hon'ble Mr. Wilson kindly advise.

H. D. TAYLOR—5-5-08.

I am unable to follow the details of the proposal from the sketch submitted; as the proposed stair case is outside the building it will not affect the stability of the building and may be approved.

F. J. WILSON—14-5-08.

C. A. SOUTER—16-5-08.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft order placed below is submitted for approval.

P.R.—17-5-08.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—17-5-08.

Issue.

C. A. SOUTER—18-5-08.

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Subject.

Recommending that in the circumstances stated, a slight deviation from the approved plan and estimate for the construction of an additional building for the St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' School, Coonoor, be sanctioned and that the time fixed for the completion of the building be extended by two months.

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Station M a d r a s , Dated the 14 April 1908.

From (Name) The Hon'ble Mr. A.G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S.,

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,

Madras.

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Educational Department

Sir,

In their order No. 10 Educational dated 7th January 1908, Government have been pleased to sanction a maximum grant of Rs 2,000/- towards the cost of extending the building occupied by St. Joseph's European Convent Girls' High School, Coonoor, subject to certain conditions, two of them being

- (1) that in carrying out the work, the suggestions of the Chief Engineer in his note read therein are adopted.
- (2) that the work is completed before the 30th of June 1908.

2 In his note the Chief Engineer suggested among other things that instead of having the stair case outside, it would be better to have a small stair case room as shown in pencil on the plan. In regard to this, the Correspondent writes to say that it is not feasible to carry out the suggestion owing to the presence of a large sheet rock within a few feet of the existing

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READ ALSO:—

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ORDER.

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In the circumstances stated, the Govt approve the action of the Management of the St Joseph's European Convent Girls' High School, Coonoor, in constructing the stairs alongside the existing building and the new extension, instead of having a separate stair room as suggested by the Chief Engineer in his note read in G.O. 1028 dt 7th January, 1908.

2. The time fixed for the completion of the building will also be extended up to 31st August 1908.

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To, The S.P.I with plan. Engineer's letter and the Sketch.