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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following papers :—

I

G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907.

ABSTRACT.—Alloting a grant of Rs. 2,77,500 in aid of certain first and second grade colleges from the special grant made by the Government of India for University Education and sanctioning the payment in the current year of a sum of Rs. 2,24,000 out of the amount allotted.

II

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

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—the 3rd June 1908.

No.—Ref. on Cur. No. 2248/07.

I have the honour to submit, for the orders of Government, the enclosed copy of letter No. 219, dated 14th April 1908, received from the Bursar, Madras Christian College, requesting that under the provisions of the Grant-in-Aid Code, a grant of Rs. 60,712 may be sanctioned in aid of the cost of the building which is in process of construction as an extension of the college.

2. The cost of extension is as shown below :—

	RS.
(1) Cost of site	74,100
(2) „ of building	1,23,537
(3) „ of furniture, etc.	13,500
(4) „ of gallery, etc.	9,975
(5) Architect's fee	11,025
Total ..	2,32,137

3. In G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907, Government sanctioned for this college a special grant of Rs. 50,000 and in my Proceedings Ref. on Cur. No. 2248/07, dated 31st January 1908 (copy enclosed), the utilization of the said grant towards the cost of erection of new college buildings was approved. Payment of Rs. 40,000 out of Rs. 50,000 was also authorized during the last of year. With the help of the said grant the extension of the college building has been already taken in hand and the present application is for an additional grant in view of the very heavy expenditure to be incurred on the extensions. The specifications and estimates of the work in question were approved by me only for the purpose of the said special grant sanctioned in G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907.

4. The cost of the work proposed to be undertaken is shown by the Bursar as Rs. 2,32,137 and the grant applied for is a third of Rs. 2,32,137 minus Rs. 50,000 the special grant already sanctioned. The maximum grant for which I consider the college is eligible is only Rs. 44,046, which is a third of Rs. 2,32,137, the estimated cost of the work minus Rs. 50,000, the special grant already sanctioned and Rs. 50,000, the amount which I consider the management may reasonably be expected to add to the special grant received from Government though no such contribution from management was insisted on in G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907. Where operations on such a very large scale are embarked upon, it is quite fair that the management should contribute a sum which is at least equal to the amount of aid given from special grant before any application for aid under the Grant-in-Aid Code for a third grant in regard to the balance is entertained.

5. From the funds at the disposal of this department it is quite impossible to provide, in the near future, for any such large grant as the one under reference because the building grant promised up to date for non-European schools alone amounts to Rs. 80,876 as shown below :—

	RS.
(1) To amount of grant for the payment of which no time is fixed is	20,846
(2) The amount of grant promised to be paid in 1906-1907 but not paid is	7,730
(3) The amount of grant promised to be paid in 1907-1908 but not paid is	4,651
(4) The amount of grant promised to be paid in 1908-1909 is	25,281
(5) „ „ „ 1909-1910 is	22,368
Total ..	80,876

6. If further funds should become available for special grants-in-aid of University education, the rate of grant should, in fairness to institutions of other grades, be fixed at one-third of the total expenditure proposed to be incurred by the management.

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Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, dated 31st January 1908, Ref. on C. No. 2248/07, on the letter from the Bursar, Madras Christian College, No. 172, dated 20th January 1908.

The utilization of the special grant of Rs. 50,000 as part payment of the cost of erection of a new block of college buildings is approved.

2. A bill for Rs. 40,000 sanctioned in G.O., No. 810-2, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907, is returned countersigned.

3. The balance, viz., Rs. 10,000, is payable next year.

4. A detailed statement showing the progress of expenditure supported by vouchers should be submitted before the close of the official year, 1908-1909.

5. The Bursar is requested to deal with the other matter to which he refers in a separate communication.

Letter—from the Rev. J. M. RUSSELL, Esq., M.A., Bursar, Madras Christian College.

To—the Director of Public Instruction.

Dated—Madras, the 14th April 1908.

No.—219.

In compliance with the request contained in paragraph 5 of your Proceedings, dated 31st January 1908, Ref. on Cur. No. 2248/07, I have the honour to apply under chapter VIII of the code for a grant of Rs. 60,712 in aid of the cost of the building which is in process of erection as an extension of this college. The plans, specifications and estimates were submitted by me on the 19th September 1907; see my letter No. 112 of that date, and have received your approval.

2. With your permission, I shall re-state the cost of the extension :—

	RS.	RS.
As per estimate ..		
{ Cost of site	74,100	
{ „ of building	1,23,537	
{ „ of furniture and fittings	13,500	
{ „ of gallery to college	9,975	
{ „ of hall and alterations to roof	..	
Architect's fee at 7½ per cent.	1,47,012	
Rs. 1,47,012	..	11,025
Total ..	2,32,137	

Apparatus, gas-plant, and gas, water and electrical fittings, estimated to cost approximately Rs. 28,500 will be dealt with subsequently in separate applications.

3. To meet the above expenditure in part, Government have been pleased to allot a grant of Rs. 50,000 out of the special grant made by the Government of India in aid of University education. On the assumption that Government may be pleased to regard this allotment as made for special and exceptional outlay and, therefore, additional to the sum that the management proposes to expend with the assistance of a one-third grant from ordinary Provincial funds as provided for in the code, I have the honour to point out that the grant applied for, Rs. 60,712, is one-third of the balance of the estimated cost, viz., Rs. 1,82,137.

4. As, however, I am in ignorance of the principle on which the allotment of Rs. 50,000 has been made, I trust I may be allowed further to point out that larger as the amount of the grant now asked for is, it might not be altogether unreasonable to apply for a still larger amount, namely, one-third of Rs. 2,32,137 or Rs. 77,379 on the assumption that Government may be willing, in the exceptional circumstances, to regard the allotment from the grant of the Government of India as intended to increase the proportion of the cost that the code lays down as the maximum proportion. Whichever assumption may be correct, I would express the hope that in view of the fact that in any case the management will have to supply from private sources a very large sum to carry out the undertaking, Government may be pleased to deal with this application in the most liberal way possible.

Order—No. 543, Educational, dated 16th July 1908.

The Government regret their inability to entertain the application of the authorities of the Madras Christian College for a grant of Rs. 60,712 towards the cost of the extensions and improvements of the college in addition to the special grant of Rs. 50,000 sanctioned for the same purpose in G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907. But in view of the recommendation of the Director of Public Instruction and of the heavy expenditure which the college authorities have undertaken to incur on this account, the Government are pleased to sanction a further grant of Rs. 10,000. This grant will be paid when funds are available.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
" Financial Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 543, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
16TH JULY 1908.

[SUBJECT.—*Application for a grant towards the cost of extending the Madras Christian College building.*]

Previous papers.

G.O., No. 192, Educational, dated 29th March 1905.	
" " 723 " " 9th November "	
" " 22 " " 16th January 1906.	
" " 29 " " 18th " "	
" " 38 " " 21st January 1907.	
" " 570 " " 31st August "	
" " 810 " " 3rd December "	
" " 404 " " 23rd May 1908.	

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 3rd June 1908, No. 2243.

In G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907, the Government sanctioned a grant of Rs. 50,000 to the Madras Christian College out of the special grant placed at the disposal of this Government by the Government of India in aid of University education. This grant was intended to enable the college authorities to comply with the demands imposed by the new University Regulations, and in paragraph 4 of the Government Order quoted above, the governing body of the college was required to obtain the general approval of the Director as to the objects on which the grant was to be expended.

2. In accordance with the above order, the Director of Public Instruction has, in his Proceedings No. 172, dated 20th January 1908, approved the utilization of the grant of Rs. 50,000 towards the cost of erection of a new block of college buildings and has authorized the disbursement of a sum of Rs. 40,000 out of the grant in 1907-1908. With the help of this grant the extension of the college buildings has already been taken in hand.

3. The Director of Public Instruction now submits for the orders of Government a letter from the Bursar of the Christian College requesting that, under the provisions of chapter VIII of the Grant-in-Aid Code, a grant of Rs. 60,712 may be sanctioned in aid of the cost of the proposed extensions. From the Director of Public Instruction's letter, dated 26th February 1907, it is observed that the scheme of improvements which the college authorities had then in view was estimated to cost Rs. 1,73,000 as shown below :—

	RS.
For building	85,500
Cost of site	60,000
Furniture and equipment	20,000
Structural alterations to present buildings	7,500
Total ..	1,73,000

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	RS.
* Cost of site	74,100
" of building	1,23,537
" of furniture and fittings	13,500
" of gallery	9,975
Architect's fee	11,025
	2,32,137
	50,000
Total ..	1,82,137

The Bursar of the College now estimates the cost of the improvements at Rs. 2,32,137, as shown in the * margin, and after deducting therefrom the grant of Rs. 50,000 sanctioned in G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907, requests a grant of one-third of the balance (Rs. 1,82,137) or Rs. 60,712.

4 Dr. Bourne, however, considers that the maximum grant for which the college will be eligible is only Rs. 44,046, which represents one-third of the present estimated cost (Rs. 2,32,137) less the grant of Rs. 50,000 already sanctioned and a sum of Rs. 50,000 which, he thinks, the management may reasonably be expected to add to the special grant from Government, although no such condition was insisted upon in G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907. Dr. Bourne observes that "where operations on such a very large scale are embarked upon, it is quite fair that the management should contribute a sum which is at least equal to the amount of aid given from Paragraph 4 of the Director of Public Instruction's letter. "special grant, before any application for aid under the Grant-in-Aid Code for a third grant in regard to the balance is entertained,"

5. The Director of Public Instruction states that it is quite impossible to provide in the near future for the grant applied for by the Christian College authorities from the funds at the disposal of the department, as building grants promised up to date for non-European schools alone amounts to Rs. 80,876. He therefore suggests that if further funds should become available from the special University grant, the rate of grant to this institution should, in fairness to institutions of other grades, be fixed at one-third of the total expenditure proposed by the management.

Note.—The allotment for building grants for non-European schools in 1908-1909 is Rs. 40,000.

Vide article 51 (ii) of the Grant-in-Aid Code. But there is very little, if anything available, under that grant. There may be savings under Parlákimedi College.

H. D. TAYLOR.

6. The amount of grant (Rs. 50,000), sanctioned for the Christian College in G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907, out of the special grant in aid of University education was the largest allotted to colleges and the grant was fixed at this high figure in view of the extensive additions to the college buildings which it was reported the college authorities had then in view. An additional grant of Rs. 60,712 is now applied for, as the estimated cost of the proposed extensions is stated to be Rs. 2,32,137 against the former estimate of Rs. 1,73,000. The special grant already sanctioned was entirely outside the purview of the Grant-in-Aid Code. All grants under this Code are under the discretion of Government and it does not appear that the provisions of the Code confer any claim as a matter of right to any grants. This college has been very liberally treated in connection with the distribution of the special grant, and in G.O., No. 404, Educational, dated 23rd May 1908, the Government have undertaken to consider the question of a grant-in-aid towards the cost of extending the school department of the college. In view of these facts and having regard to the limited funds at disposal and to the claims of other institutions, it does not appear that the college has any claim for any further grant towards the extension of the college buildings. If this application is sanctioned, the other colleges for which special grants have been sanctioned in G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907, may also similarly come up for extra grants.

† Estimated cost Rs. 1,73,000.

7. It is not likely that any surplus will be available under the special grant for University to meet the grant to the Christian College, in the event of any grant being sanctioned. The special grant placed at the disposal of this Government up to the end of 1907-1908 has already been disbursed and of the assignment of Rs. 1,05,000 for 1908-1909, Rs. 53,500 is payable to the colleges specified in the annexure to G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 3rd December 1907. A grant of Rs. 7,000 has since been sanctioned to the Zamorin's College, Calicut, and a further sum of Rs. 33,000 to the Pachaiyappa's College, Madras, and the Raja's College, Parlákimedi. The balance that will be left, namely, Rs. 11,500, will be required for University purposes, such as the travelling allowance of Fellows and the cost of inspection of colleges, etc.

The Rs. 6,000 for Parlákimedi may be available.

H. D. TAYLOR.

G.O., No. 172, Educational, dated 10th March 1908.

will be required for payment of grants and the Raja's College, Parlákimedi.

Cf. paragraph 4 of office-note on page 12 of K.W. G.O., No. 810, Educational, dated 13th December 1907.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—13-6-08.

Vide A on page 6 of G.O., No. 192, Educational, dated 29th March 1905.

considerable deliberation, made to this college in connection with the Fenn Hostel.

Please see notes in confidential cover.

It is usual to limit grants-in-aid under the Code to Rs. 10,000, though a special grant of Rs. 15,000 was, after considerable deliberation, made to this college in connection with the Fenn Hostel. In that case the conduct of the Christian College authorities was not considered to be straightforward.

2. In a large matter of this sort the Christian College must, it is submitted, look, to a large extent, for support from its old pupils. From the latest information available it appears that a sum of Rs. 53,942 has been subscribed towards the building fund.

3. I would here call attention to the entry on page 36 of the annual report of the Madras Christian College, 1906, where the cost of purchase of the Fenn Hostel is shown as Rs. 53,400, though the Council originally fixed its valuation, in applying to Government for an one-third grant of Rs. 24,500, at Rs. 73,500. This is the point which Dr. Miller eventually agreed to accept. I submit that Government should adhere to their general principle as to limiting the maximum of grants-in-aid under the Grant-in-Aid Code to Rs. 10,000. If there is any money available by savings elsewhere under the special grant for University education, in the current year, it may be added to the grant for the Christian College.

H. D. TAYLOR—23-6-08.

We could not make the very large grant asked for without much more consideration than I can give to the subject at present as I do not know the likely demands on the public purse for educational purposes in the immediate future. We do not seem to have the money or any prospect of having anything like the sum asked for in the near future.

The matter might perhaps be discussed in Council. Apparently at present with the Rs. 50,000 given the total sum available is a little over a lakh, and it would seem a sufficient answer to say that Government cannot promise any further grant until the college is able to assure Government that it will be able to complete the scheme proposed.

The Government of India has objected to our limit of Rs. 10,000 and also the limit of one-third, but in the present state of finances these limits seem proper.

The more that is given to this college, the larger its demands seem to be.

M. H[AMMICK]—27-6-08.

I do not think this grant should be made. I agree that it would be well to discuss the matter in Council.

G. S[TOKES]—29-6-08.

For Council.

A. L[AWLEY]—30-6-08.

Agreed in Council to make a grant of Rs. 10,000 in addition to the Rs. 50,000 already granted.

A. L[AWLEY]—3-7-08.

Draft please.

H. D. TAYLOR—3-7-08.

A grant of Rs. 10,000 to be paid when available. Financial to be addressed, if necessary.

H. D. TAYLOR—3-7-08.

The draft order placed below is for approval. It may be sent to the Financial Department for acceptance. That department may also be requested to state whether the money for the payment of this grant may be found in the current year.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—4-7-08.

C. A. SOUTER—4-7-08.

This item falls under "grants-in-aid". If the Director of Public Instruction cannot find the requisite funds under the budget provision which already exists for the purpose he should make a formal application for an additional allotment.

H. D. TAYLOR—6-7-08.

Approved.

M. H[AMMICK]—8-7-08.

To the Financial Department for acceptance.

H. D. TAYLOR—9-7-08

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the draft order may be accepted. It is for the Director of Public Instruction to take action regarding funds in the first instance.

C. M. SCHMIDT—10-7-08.

May be accepted.

J. N. ATKINSON—11-7-08.

I have accepted the draft omitting the first sentence which is not quite correct.

G. S[TOKES]—13-7-08.

To the Educational Department.

J. N. ATKINSON—14-7-08.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Resubmitted to the Honourable Member.

The draft as revised by the Hon'ble Mr. Stokes may issue.

The first sentence was put in so as to tone down what may, to the Christian College authorities, seem the curtness of the order. The Director of Public Instruction personally requested me to see that the tone of the order should be as mild as possible and I understood him to say that he anticipated demands from other institutions for building grants. Please also see paragraphs 5 and 6 of his letter.

H. D. TAYLOR—15-7-08.

I do not know why my Honourable Colleague thinks the statement, not quite correct. I think it is quite correct. However in any case I am not sure that it is wise to give this as a reason for the smallness of the grant and I am ready that the Government Order should go out without it.

M. H[AMMICK]—15-7-08.

Issue.

H. D. TAYLOR—16-7-08.

[G.O., No. 543, Educational, dated 16th July 1908.]

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Subject.

Submitting for orders of Government a communication from the
Bursar, Madras Christian College, requesting a grant of Rs 60/-
towards the cost of extending the college building.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 2

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Ref on Cur No. 2 2 4 8/07

Station Madras, Dated the 3rd June 1908

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

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,

Madras.

To The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.
Educational Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for the orders of
Government the enclosed copy of letter No. 219 dated 14th April
1908 received from the Bursar, Madras Christian College,
requesting that under the provisions of the Grant-in-Aid Code,
a grant of Rs 60,712/- may be sanctioned in aid of the cost of
the building which is in process of construction as an extension
of the College.

2. The cost of extension is as shown below:-

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(3)	Do Furniture &c.	"	13,500
(4)	Do. Gallery &c.	"	9,975
(5)	Architect's fee.	"	11,025

Total 2,32,137

3. In G.O. No. 810 Educational dated 3rd December
1907, Government sanctioned for this college a special grant of

Read again G.O.No.810, Edl., d/3rd December 1907.

Read also C.No. 1296, from the D.P.I., No.2248, dated 3--6-1908

ORDER:
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[Copy of the large receipt which
are being made upon their
income under the head of
(Government grant)
has been sent.]

The Government regret their inability to entertain the application of the authorities of the Madras Christian College for a grant of Rs.60,712 towards the cost of the extensions and improvements of the college in addition to the special grant of Rs.50,000 sanctioned for the same purpose in G.O.No.810, Edl., dated 3rd December 1907. But in view of the recommendation of the D.P.I. and of the heavy expenditure which the College authorities have undertaken to incur on this account, the Government are pleased to sanction a further grant of Rs.10,000. This grant will be paid when funds are available.

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To the D.P.I.

" Financial Department.

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