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[Despatch Abstract.]

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It is from the Superintendent's office that no addn would be made to the price of "Customs & Tribes of Southern India" on account of the allowance paid to Mr. Thurston for carrying on the Ethnographical Survey of Southern India.

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Subject.

Soliciting instructions whether in fixing the price of the book "Castes and Tribes of Southern India" any addition is to be made on account of allowance paid to the author.

ENCLOSURES.

No.

No. 2334

Spare copies

Station, Madras, E.

Dated the

17th July 1909.

From (Name) T. Fisher, Esq.,

(Designation) Superintendent, Government Press.

OFFICE NOTE.

The Superintendent, Government Press, solicits instructions whether in fixing the price of the book "Castes and Tribes of Southern India," ordered to be printed in G.O. No. 348, Educational, dated 8th May 1908, any addition is to be made on account of the allowance paid to the author as per paragraph 5 of G.O. No. 666, Financial, dated 31st August 1894. About 6 Volumes out of the 7 have been passed for striking and it is desirable to ~~send~~ *find* some of the Volumes in advance. The selling price per volume calculated as usual, i.e., the cost of printing, binding and paper and agents' selling commission will be about Rs. 2-8-0 ✓ per volume.

T. Fisher
Superintendent.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Educational Department.

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Educational Department.

C.No.1396, from the Superintendent, Government Press, No.Ref.2334, d/17-7-06

Subject.

Fixing the price of Mr.Thurston's
book "Castes and Tribes of
Southern India".

The Superintendent, Government Press,
reports that about six volumes of Mr.Thurston's
book "Castes and Tribes of Southern India" have
been passed for striking and that the selling
price per volume calculated as usual, comprising
the cost of printing, binding and paper and
agent's selling commission, will be ₹2-8-0 per
volume. ^{The Supt} He requests to be informed whether, in
fixing the price of the book, any addition should
be made on account of the allowance paid to the
author.

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2. The "Castes and Tribes of Southern India"
embodies the results of the Ethnographical
Survey of Southern India undertaken by Mr.Thurston
at the instance of the Government of India - vide
~~the Home Department Resolution on pages 2 to 5 of~~
G.O.No.647 Public, dated 26th June 1901. Mr.Thurston
was paid for the work a monthly allowance of
₹200 for the last 9 years and was also given an
office establishment and an allowance for con-
tingencies - vide the statement on page 3 of
G.O.No.659 Public, dated 7th September 1905. ^{and}
~~para. 3 of the No. 660 Public d/7.9.05. The~~
total cost of the survey appears to have been roughly
about ₹25,000, which is too large an amount to
be realized by ^{addition to the} ~~increasing~~ the price of the book.
Moreover, the Government of India appear not to
have contemplated expenditure incurred

on the ethnographic survey of Southern India should be recovered by the sale of the books embodying the results of the survey.

3. In these circumstances it is for consideration whether the Superintendent, Government Press, may be informed that the allowance paid to Mr. Thurston need not be taken into account in fixing the price of the book.

T.K.
22-7-09.

B.

Vide distribution list
supp 2 to 11 of G.O. No 3488,
dated 18th January 1909-A.

$$\frac{25000}{2175} = 11-8-$$

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It has been decided to print 2500 copies of the book. G.O. No. 3488, dated 8th May 1908: Of these, 325 copies are intended for free distribution to officers, individuals and institutions in and out of India, and the remaining 2175 copies will be available for sale in this country, in England and on the Continent. The book consists of seven volumes, and the Superintendent Govt Press, calculates the selling price of each volume, that is, cost of printing, binding, paper and agent's commission, at Rs 2-8-11. Assuming that the total cost of the survey is Rs 25,000 (the exact amount is not known), the price of each copy of the book will have to be increased by ^{about} Rs 11-8-11 or in other words, the price of each volume will have to be raised by more than Rs 1-8-11, if the whole of the cost is to be recovered by the sale of the 2175 copies. ^{This would perhaps make the cost of the book prohibitive} From paragraph 4 of Home Department Resol: sup. 3 of G.O.

M.

No. 647 Public, dated 26th June 1901, it would appear that the object of the Govt. of India in having ordered an ethnographic survey of India and the preparation of a record of ~~the~~ the customs of the people was administrative convenience rather than pecuniary profit.

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The price of each volume might be Rs.3. The Govt. don't want a profit out of the book.

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Submitted that nothing should be added to the price of the book on account of the advances paid to Mr. Thurston & his staff during the preparation - As it is, it will cost Rs. 7.8. for the 7 vols. It stands on the same footing as the District & other gazetteers.

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Yes. I don't think we can add to the price of the books without reducing the sale.

Mc.

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Draft submitted for approval. ^

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