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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
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READ—the following papers:—

I

G.O., No. 99, Educational, dated 17th February 1909.

ABSTRACT.—Sanctioning a grant of Rs. 2,000 for the construction of a building for the Stanes' High School, Coonoor.

II

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

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—the 14th August 1909.

No.—Ref. on Cur. No. 2792/08.

In their order No. 99, Educational, dated 17th February 1909, Government were pleased to sanction a grant of Rs. 2,000 towards the cost of the construction of a building for the Stanes' High School, Coonoor. The above amount was recommended by Mr. Stone, the acting Director, for the reasons mentioned in his letter R.C. No. 2792/08, dated 2nd February 1909. The building has been completed and a completion certificate has been furnished. The correspondent requests that the question may be reconsidered and that as the strength of the school has increased from 41 in January 1909 to 89 in July 1909, the grant may be raised to Rs. 4,000. He further says that the new building has cost Rs. 18,700 including the cost of the site and that although Rs. 8,000 of it was secured from the sale of the old building, no Government grant was ever given towards the latter. The Inspector considers that the new building is not excessive for the present strength and says that the management are making determined efforts to improve the condition of the school. In these circumstances, I beg to recommend that the grant may be raised to Rupees 3,000.

Order—No. 512, Educational, dated 7th September 1909.

In the circumstances now represented by the Director of Public Instruction, the amount of grant sanctioned in G.O., No. 99, Educational, dated 17th February 1909, towards the cost of constructing a building for the Stanes' High School, Coonoor, will be raised from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 3,000.

(True Extract.)

W. FRANCIS,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
" Accountant-General.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 512, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 7TH SEPTEMBER 1909.

[SUBJECT.—Payment of an enhanced grant in aid of the Stanes' High School, Coonoor.]

Previous papers.

G.O., No. 470, Edl., dated 22nd June 1908.
" " 22 " " 12th January 1909.
" " 99 " " 17th February "

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 14th August 1909,
No. 2792.

In May 1908, the Director of Public Instruction submitted an estimate amounting to Rs. 13,600 for the construction of a building for the Stanes' High School, Coonoor. The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, found that the estimate required certain modifications. The estimate was therefore returned to the school authorities for revision in accordance with the Chief Engineer's suggestions. Permission was at the same time granted to the management of the school to commence the work; and it was stated that the permission did not carry with it any guarantee that any grant would be sanctioned towards the cost of the work.

Paragraph 1 of Chief Engineer's note on page 3 of G.O., No. 22, Educational, dated 12th January 1909.
Paragraph 2 of Chief Engineer's note on page 3 of G.O., No. 22, Educational, dated 12th January 1909.
Paragraph 3 of Chief Engineer's note on page 3 of G.O., No. 22, Educational, dated 12th January 1909.

Paragraph 1 of Director of Public Instruction's letter on page 2 of G.O., No. 99, Educational, dated 17th February 1909.

2. In November 1908, the Director of Public Instruction submitted a revised estimate amounting to Rs. 14,740. The Chief Engineer again suggested some more alterations on scantlings and other details necessitating a rise in the amount of the estimate to Rs. 15,200 and recommended it for sanction.

3. In February last, the authorities of the school applied for a grant of Rs. 4,500 calculated as follows:—

The estimated cost of constructing the building	...	...	...	RS. 14,740
The estimated cost of the site	...	...	...	3,000
Total	...	...	...	17,740
Deduct—				
The amount realised by the sale of old buildings	...	...	...	8,000
The amount realised by subscriptions	...	...	...	5,240
Total	...	...	...	13,240
Balance	...	...	...	4,500

4. Under Article 57 of the Code of Regulations for European Schools a grant not exceeding half of Rs. 15,200 (estimate as recommended by the Chief Engineer) or Rs. 7,600 was admissible to the school. But the then Acting Director of Public Instruction (Mr. Stone) considered that a grant not exceeding Rs. 2,000 was sufficient for the following reasons, namely :—

- (1) that the strength of the school in June 1908 was 50 ;
- (2) that the school gets a fixed grant of Rs. 1,600 a year ; and
- (3) that the plan of the building was largely determined by the intention of using it on Sundays for the Union Church.

Accordingly, the Government in their Order No. 99, Educational, dated 17th February 1909, sanctioned a grant of Rs. 2,000 only.

5. The Director of Public Instruction now reports that the building has been completed and a completion certificate has been produced ; but that the Correspondent of the school requests that as the strength of the school has increased from 41 in January to 89 in July 1909, the grant may be raised from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 4,000. The Correspondent further states that the building has cost Rs. 18,700 including the cost of the site and that although Rs. 8,000 has been realised by the sale of the old buildings, no Government grant had ever been given towards the latter. The Inspector of European Schools considers that the new building is not excessive for the present strength and says that the management are making determined efforts to improve the condition of the school. Dr. Bourne therefore recommends that the grant may be raised to Rs. 3,000.

6. It is for consideration whether sufficient grounds have been shown for an enhanced grant.

P.R.—21-8-09.

The estimate for the school, as last revised, amounted to Rs. 15,200. The cost of the site was Rs. 3,000. This brings the total cost on account of the building to Rs. 18,200. The amount realized by the sale of the old buildings was Rupees 8,000, and as much as Rs. 5,240 is stated to have been collected by private subscriptions. All that the management appear to require to complete the building is Rs. 18,200 *minus* Rs. 13,240 or about Rs. 5,000. Article 57 of the Code of Regulations for European Schools says that building grants "shall not ordinarily

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Paragraph 1 of Director of Public Instruction's letter on page 2 of G.O., No. 99, Educational, dated 17th February 1909.

18,200
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"exceed one half of the total cost," and that in places where there is a small or poor European population, the maximum grant shall not exceed two-thirds of the total cost. Under the above rule, the maximum grant ordinarily admissible is one-half of the total cost, but as the grants are intended to supplement the resources of the school authorities, it is not necessary that the maximum grant admissible should be sanctioned in all cases. Perhaps the grant of Rs. 2,000 already sanctioned may be raised to Rs. 3,000, as recommended by the Director of Public Instruction.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—21-8-09.

It seems to me that the grant already paid is quite enough. The management of the school will have to pay under Rs. 3,000 in all out of its own pocket and this is not an excessive amount.

C. A. SOUTER—21-8-09.

I suppose that in these cases Government follow the recommendations of the Director of Public Instruction in the absence of strong grounds to the contrary. I believe the people responsible for this school are working hard at it. They have collected Rs. 5,240 from public subscriptions. Submitted that the Rs. 1,000 may be granted. The attendance has doubled in the last six months.

W. FRANCOIS—23-8-09.

Yes. May be raised to Rs. 3,000.

M. [HAMMICK]—3-9-09.

Draft please.

W. FRANCOIS—4-9-09.

The draft order placed below is for approval.

P.R.—4-9-09.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—4-9-09.

Issue.

C. A. SOUTER—4-9-09.

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