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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following papers :—

I

G.O., No. 119, Educational, dated 2nd March 1909.

ABSTRACT.—Accepting the conditions proposed by the Agent, South Indian Railway, for the lease of two plots of ground in their possession near the Government College, Mangalore, to be used as a play-ground for it.

II

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

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—Madras, the 25th August 1909.

No.—Ref. on Cur. No. 5312.

I have the honour to request you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government to an expenditure of Rs. 270 for levelling one of the two plots of ground recently acquired as a play-ground for the Government College, Mangalore, in accordance with G.O., No. 119, Educational, dated 2nd March 1909. With reference to G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907, I beg to state that this expenditure cannot be met from the subscriptions of the athletic associations of the college and has, therefore, to be borne by public funds.

2. The charge can be met from the allotment for petty construction and repairs for the college in the current year's budget.

Order—No. 536, Educational, dated 27th September 1909.

The Government sanction an expenditure not exceeding Rs. 270 for levelling one of the two plots of ground recently acquired as a play-ground for the Mangalore College.

2. G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907, applies to the adaptation of specific portions of a recreation ground for specific games, such as the construction of a tennis court, the turfing of a cricket pitch, etc. The Government do not, however, desire to prohibit the expenditure of public money upon the provision of recreation grounds as such, or upon levelling or enclosing them.

(True Extract.)

W. FRANCIS,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Public Works Department (with copy of notes).
,, Revenue Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 536, EDUCATIONAL, DATED 27TH SEPTEMBER 1909.

[SUBJECT.—*Levelling the additional play-ground recently acquired for the Mangalore College.*]

Previous papers.

G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October	1907.
" " 502 " " 7th July	1908.
" " 642 " " 7th September	"
" " 119 " " 2nd March	1909.

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 25th August 1909, No. 5312.

The Director of Public Instruction requests the sanction of Government to an expenditure of Rs. 270 for levelling one of the two plots of ground recently leased from the South Indian Railway Company for a play-ground for the Mangalore College—G.O., No. 119, Educational, dated 2nd March 1909.

2. The Director states that the expenditure cannot be met from the subscriptions of the athletic association of the college and has therefore to be borne from public funds.

3. As the ground is new, the cost of levelling and adapting it as a play-ground for the college should, it is submitted, be borne by Government.

4. The draft below is for approval.

T.K.—1-9-09.

In G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907, paragraph 1, it was laid down that in colleges, expenditure on cricket-pitches and tennis courts attached to colleges should be met from the subscriptions of the cricket and tennis clubs of the colleges and not from public funds. It was further stated, paragraph 2, that no expenditure of this nature should be incurred without the previous sanction of Government.

2. The Director of Public Instruction now requests the sanction of Government for the expenditure of Rs. 270 on levelling one of the two plots of ground recently obtained from the South Indian Railway Company, for a play-ground for the Mangalore College (G.O., No. 119, Educational, dated 2nd March 1909), and points out that this expenditure cannot be met from the subscription of the athletic associations of the college.

3. Attention is solicited to the notes to G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907, especially to the remarks dated 30th August 1907, of Mr. Taylor and of the Honourable (now Sir) George Forbes, on page 2 of those notes, from which it will be observed that "the provision of a recreation ground is a different matter from "making any specific portion of the ground fit for any specific game," such as, the laying out of a tennis court or of a cricket pitch, and that the laying out of play-grounds, that is, levelling or enclosing them, is a proper charge on public funds.

4. The draft below is for approval.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—2-9-09.

The draft may issue.

C. A. SOUTER—2-9-09.

The general principle laid down in the notes to G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907, was not embodied in the Government Order itself, and if the proposed draft goes out, the Director of Public Instruction will consider it a deviation from that Government Order and will perhaps come up with other somewhat similar proposals which will be at variance with the principles above laid down. So it would seem better in the present draft to get out the principles. Before doing this I should be obliged if the Public Works Department would kindly say what are the other cricket-pitches and tennis courts referred to in the note in that department, dated 11th October 1907, on page 4 of the notes in G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907, so that it may be seen how far the principles can be applied to such things outside the Educational Department.

W. FRANCIS—3-9-09.

To the Public Works Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No action was taken in the Public Works Department on the notes attached to G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907. The matter came up subsequently, when the general question was again raised—*vide* notes with memorandum 5730-C., dated 18th November 1908.

R. PARSONS—11-9-09.

Educational asks what the other cricket pitches and tennis courts referred to in the note dated 11th October 1907, with G.O., No. 716, Educational are—What are they? and how are they being maintained?

P. HAWKINS—21-9-09.

The cricket pitches and tennis courts in question are those at Stonehouse Hill and Chepak, Madras, which are being maintained from Provincial funds for the benefit of Government clerks. They are mentioned in the notes with memorandum No. 5730-C., dated 18th November 1908—*vide* pages 2 and 3.

R. PARSONS—21-9-09.

The cricket ground at Ootacamund was levelled, *i.e.*, prepared for use as a recreation ground, from public funds, but not prepared for any specific game—presumably the same course was followed at Madras.

P. HAWKINS—22-9-09.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Paragraph 2 of the draft is for approval.

2. In G.O., No. 716, Educational, dated 28th October 1907, Government declined to sanction expenditure on some college tennis courts and said that "in colleges, expenditure on cricket-pitches and tennis courts should be met from the subscriptions of the cricket and tennis clubs of the colleges and not from public funds."

3. The Director of Public Instruction now asks sanction for Rs. 270 for leveling a new play-ground at the Mangalore College, refers to the above Government Order, and says the athletic associations of the college cannot meet the expenditure, which "has, therefore, to be borne by public funds."

4. To meekly sanction the Rs. 270 without remark amounts to an admission when college athletic associations have no funds, public money may be spent upon tennis courts and cricket-pitches, which is not the case.

Paragraph 2 of the draft proposes therefore to inform the Director of Public Instruction of the distinction drawn in the notes in G.O., No. 716, Educational, between general provision of recreation grounds and the fitting of portions of them

for special games. This will show the Director of Public Instruction that Government have not changed their attitude and prevent the chance of his coming up on future occasions for money for tennis courts and cricket-pitches.

5. As Honourable Member has not seen the general principle laid down in G.O., No. 716, Educational, the file is submitted.

W. FRANCIS—24-9-09.

Yes, I agree. The distinctions made is the right one.

M. H[AMMICK]—25-9-09.

Issue.

W. FRANCIS—27-9-09.

[G.O., No. 536, Educational, dated 27th September 1909.]

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READ ALSO:—

C. No. 1612, From the S.P.I., No. 5312, dated 25-8-1904.

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