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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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G.O. No. 61, 24th January 1913.

Building grant.

Sanctioning, with remarks, a half grant not exceeding Rs. 7,500 towards the cost of providing the Salem Municipal College with a hostel on the understanding that the other half of the cost is met by Municipal Council from the endowment funds at its disposal

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

I

Letter—from M.R.Ry. E. S. RAMASWAMI AIYAR AVARGAL, B.A., B.L., Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem.

To—the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Director of Public Instruction, Madras).

Dated—the 4th April 1912.

No.—449.

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of the resolution of the Municipal Council of Salem, No. 7, dated 13th March 1912, and request that the Government will be pleased to give the Council a grant of Rs. 25,000 in 1912-13 for the improvements to be effected in the Salem College.

2. The Inspecting officers have repeatedly pointed out the want of accommodation. Owing to this, some of the classes are accommodated in a small building at a distance of about two furlongs from the College, which the Principal cannot supervise effectively. Further many admissions had also to be refused by the Principal for want of accommodation. A library room and a lecture room are also urgently wanted.

3. There is no hostel attached to the College. It is proposed to utilize a sum of Rs. 15,000 out of the grant now asked for for providing a suitable hostel and to utilize the proceeds of the endowments noted below towards the up-keep of the hostel.

	RS.
(1) Kanthi Bhoy's endowment	7,200
(2) Chinna Paramasiva Gaundan's endowment	4,000
(3) M.R.Ry. Srinivasa Aiyangar's endowment	650
Total ..	11,850

4. The amount noted in No. 1 is kept with the Accountant-General and steps are being taken to realise the sum due on Nos. 2 and 3.

ENCLOSURE.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council, Salem,
dated 13th March 1912.

PRESENT:

Chairman.

M.R.Ry. E. S. Ramaswami Aiyar Avargal, B.A., B.L.

Non-official Councillors.

E. S. B. Stevenson, Esq., C.I.E.

M.R.Ry. K. V. Subba Rao Avargal, B.A., B.L.

" T. K. Balakrishna Chettiyar Avargal, B.A., B.L.

" C. Rajagopalachariyar Avargal, B.A., B.L.

" S. Subramanya Aiyar Avargal, B.A.

" P. N. Ranganayakulu Aiyar Avargal.

" A. Arunachellam Chettiyar Avargal.

" Chetti Muthiyam Chettiyar Avargal.

" K. R. T. Rangaswami Chettiyar Avargal.

Syed Sarumian Sahib Bahadur.

M.R.Ry. B. V. Narasimha Aiyar Avargal, B.A., B.L.

Read Chairman's proposal to request the Government for a grant of Rs. 25,000 towards the provision of hostel, a library room and a lecture hall for the Salem College.

Resolution No. 7.—The Council considers that (a) the College department requires extension of buildings and that a lecture room and a library room are urgently wanted, (b) that a well-kept hostel and a play-ground to be attached to the Municipal College is an urgent necessity.

The Council therefore requests that the Government may be pleased to give a non-recurring grant of Rs. 25,000 for the above purpose.

N. Ref. on Cur. No. 2961, dated 21st June 1912.

Submitted to Government and recommended that the contribution applied for be sanctioned, subject to the condition that the necessary plans and detailed estimates of the cost of the proposed works are submitted in due course to Government by the Municipal Chairman, through the Director of Public Instruction.

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

II

Memorandum No. 1867-2, Educational, dated 31st July 1912.

With reference to its application for a grant from Provincial funds towards the cost of providing additional accommodation and a hostel for the Municipal College, the Municipal Council of Salem is requested to arrange for the preparation of the necessary plans and detailed estimates for the proposed works and to submit them to Government in due course through the Director of Public Instruction. The Council should also furnish Government with a definite scheme for the financing of the proposed hostel, stating whether it has satisfied itself that the endowments referred to in paragraph 3 of the Chairman's letter can properly be utilized for purposes of "upkeep" and if so, why they cannot be used to meet the cost of construction. Ordinarily a hostel ought to be self-supporting.

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem.
" Director of Public Instruction.

III

Letter—from M.R.Ry. E. S. RAMASWAMI AIYAR AVARGAL, B.A., B.L., Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem.

To—the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Director of Public Instruction, Madras).

Dated—the 14th October 1912.

No.—1949.

Referring to Government Memorandum No. 1867-2, Educational, dated 31st July 1912, on my letter to Government No. 449, dated 4th April 1912, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of resolution No. 25, dated 11th October 1912, of the Municipal Council of Salem.

2. The provision of a hostel for the students of the Municipal College and a play-ground has been a long-felt want. As long ago as the year 1905, the question was considered and disposed of by the Government in Order No. 2534 M, dated 5th December 1905. The same place which was suggested in 1905 has again been selected. It is a big piece of land, survey Nos. 29, 34, 35 and 36 of division 5, about 12 acres, with buildings that can with slight alterations accommodate 40 students, with residential quarters for the superintending teacher. The building is for the present in the occupation of the Deputy Collector for Sankeri division, who holds a lease till the end of October with an option of renewal till April 1913. At any rate the buildings will be available from April 1913 and in the meanwhile if the Government so directs acquisition proceedings may be completed. The cost of

acquisition is estimated at Rs. 12,000 and that of the necessary alterations to Rs. 3,000. The Council, therefore, prays that the Government may give a grant of Rs. 15,000 for the purpose.

3. As observed by the Government in the Memorandum under reply the hostel will be self-supporting. The endowments referred to in my letter No. 449, dated 4th April 1912, are to be utilized as an investment, the profits from which will be available for repairs to buildings and the necessary improvements that may have to be made from time to time. I may add that the legacy of the late M.R.Ry. Srinivasa Aiyangar is no longer available, the Council having already utilized the amount for some small extensions of the College buildings which were urgently wanted. The balance of funds by way of endowments is only Rs. 11,000 out of which Rs. 4,000 is still to be realized.

4. The question of the extension of the College buildings has also become an urgent one. The present buildings are not at all sufficient for the growing needs of the institution with the result that some of the classes are held temporarily in the buildings that were acquired for a hospital in Salem. The hospital buildings will have to begin very soon and so the acquired buildings will be demolished. Provision will, therefore, have to be made in the meanwhile for additional accommodation. It is proposed to acquire two adjoining plots of ground belonging to Mrs. Boalth and Mrs. Kanagarathnam. They are sufficiently near the College buildings, only the post office buildings and a road intervening. The sites are in a good locality and they are in every other way suitable for a school house. The cost of acquisition is estimated at Rs. 5,250 and to this amount the usual 15 per cent. additional amount awardable in case of proceedings under the Land Acquisition Act should be added. The estimated cost of additional buildings excluding the cost of acquisition is Rs. 31,456. In view of the absolute necessity and the urgency of the extension and as the Council's resources are not sufficient to meet the requirements, the Council prays for a grant from the Provincial funds.

5. The necessary plans and estimates are forwarded.

ENCLOSURE.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Council of Salem, dated 11th October 1912.

PRESENT:

Chairman.

M.R.Ry. E. S. Ramawami Aiyar Avargal, B.A., B.L.

Official-Councillors.

M. S. H. Thompson, Esq.

M.R.Ry. R. V. Krishnaswami Aiyar Avargal.

Lieut.-Col. R. K. Mitter, I.M.S.

Non-official Councillors.

M.R.Ry. U. Venkata Rao Avargal, B.A., B.L.

Syed Sarumian Sahib Bahadur.

M. R. Ry. Chetty Muthiam Chettiyar Avargal.

" K. V. Subba Rao Avargal, B.A., B.L.

E. S. B. Stevenson, Esq.

M.R.Ry. P. N. Runganayakulu Iyah Avargal.

Read Government Memorandum No. 1867-2, Educational, dated 31st July 1912, asking the Municipal Council of Salem to submit plans and estimates for the provision of additional accommodation and a hostel for the Salem College and requesting certain information regarding the endowments referred to by the Chairman together with the plans and estimates prepared for the same.

Resolution No. 25.—(a) The Council resolves to acquire Mrs. Boalth and Mrs. Kanagarathnam's houses for the additional accommodation for the college.

(1) The estimated cost of acquisition is Rs. 5,250 plus Rs. 787 at 15 per cent. for compulsory acquisition.

(2) The estimate for Rs. 31,456 and the plan are approved.

(b) The Council resolves to acquire Arunachellasari's building together with the compound for the purpose of the hostel and play-ground.

(1) The Council estimates the cost of acquisition at Rs. 12,000.

(2) Cost of repairs, etc., Rs. 3,000.

(c) The Government will be requested to give a grant of Rs. 15,000, the sum required for the hostel and Rs. 37,493 for additional accommodation.

Endeavours will be made to make the hostel self-supporting and the proceeds of the endowments, which is small, will be utilized for repairs and other improvements of the hostel.

N. Ref. on C. No. 2961, dated 21st November 1912.

Submitted to Government with reference to Memorandum No. 1867-2, Educational, dated 31st July 1912.

2. The project for a hostel may be approved. The question of extension to the college may, I think, be treated separately as much more detailed information about the existing buildings and the purposes for which the new ones are intended would be necessary.

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

Order—No. 61, Educational, dated 24th January 1913.

The Government consider that the Municipal Council should use the endowment at its disposal as a contribution towards the cost of providing the College with a hostel. They will however be prepared to sanction a half grant not exceeding Rs. 7,500 on that account if the Council is willing to meet the other half from the endowment funds.

2. The question of extensions to the college should be separately submitted to Government in due course through the Director of Public Instruction with detailed information as to the use to which existing buildings are put and the purpose for which the new ones are intended.

(True Extract.)

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Accountant-General.
" Local and Municipal Department.
" Financial Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 61, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 24TH JANUARY 1913.

[SUBJECT.—*Requesting a non-recurring grant of Rs. 25,000 for certain improvements to be effected in the Salem College.*]

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

From the Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem, dated 4th April 1912, No. 449.

The Salem Municipal College is one of the institutions likely to be taken over by Government in connection with the model high school scheme. The Director of Public Instruction recommends the Council's application for a grant which may, it is submitted, be transferred to the Educational Department for further action.

M.T.D.—2-7-12.

V.S.—2-7-12.

M. S. MASCARENHAS—3-7-12.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The first question to be considered in connection with the application of the Municipal Council of Salem for a grant of Rs. 25,000 from Provincial funds is whether the financial position of the municipality is such as to require a subsidy from Government. This is for Local and Municipal to consider. If that department can make out that the municipality is unable to provide for the proposed improvements to the college buildings, then the question whether any, and if so what, grant may be given from Provincial funds will be considered in Educational.

2. The file may be returned to Local and Municipal u.o. with the above remarks.

P.R.—11-7-12.

The closing balance under general funds, as provided in the budget for the current year, is Rs 10,450 or 10.2 per cent. of the receipts under those funds. As revised with reference to the actual opening balance, there may be a slight increase in the closing balance not exceeding roughly Rs. 1,000*. It is doubtful whether the Council can spare any large portion of this balance for building operations. In paragraph 10 of his report for 1911-12, the Chairman states that on account of want of funds the Council has applied for a grant.

	RS.
* Actual opening balance	25,012
Estimated opening balance	23,670
	1,342
This is under <i>all</i> funds. Figures for general funds not separately available.	

In addition to this aspect of the question, the Council will naturally be unwilling to devote any portion of its funds on permanent improvements to an institution which is almost on the eve of its passing out of its hands. Attention is invited to

the Honourable Member's note, dated 16th February 1912, in which he directed in respect of a similar case that the request for grant should stand over pending receipt of the Secretary of State's orders on the model school scheme. It is submitted that the same course may be followed in the present case also.

M In the meanwhile, however, the Municipal Council may be asked to get ready the plans and estimates for the proposed improvements. They may eventually be useful in any case. The Director of Public Instruction seems to be satisfied of the necessity for the buildings.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—16-7-12.

I think this is the proper course. There is no doubt that the Council cannot afford the outlay except in so far as endowment funds are available. It would be a pity to lose the chance of getting those funds.

When calling for plans and estimates, I would ask the Council if it has satisfied itself that these endowments can properly be utilized for the upkeep of the hostel and if so why they cannot be used for its construction. It should also be asked what it means by "upkeep"; a hostel ought to be self-supporting.

Financial should see; also His Excellency the Governor.

L. DAVIDSON—17-7-12.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Financial may, it is submitted, agree to the course suggested at **M** above.

A.H.—19-7-12.

C. REILLY—20-7-12.

A. G. CARDEW—22-7-12.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the file may now be circulated to His Excellency as marked by the Secretary above.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—24-7-12.

Yes: please.

L. DAVIDSON—25-7-12.

I agree. I can hardly think any small grant of this character would be well spent on a hostel. To build a hostel will require a much larger grant. Let us have a more definite scheme and plans and estimates.

M. H[AMMICK]—26-7-12.

A draft memorandum is submitted for approval.

P.R.—29-7-12.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—29-7-12.

L. DAVIDSON—30-7-12.

[Memorandum No. 1867-2, dated 31st July 1912.]

From the Chairman, Municipal Council, Salem, dated 14th October 1912, No. 1949.

Please see Memorandum No. 1867-2, dated 31st July 1912, in which the Municipal Council of Salem was requested to furnish Government with certain information in connection with its request for a grant from Provincial funds towards

the cost of providing additional accommodation and a hostel for the municipal college. The Council now replies to this reference. It submits plans and estimates amounting to Rs. 37,493 for constructing additional buildings for the accommodation of the college, inclusive of the cost of site, and explains that accommodation for hostel can be provided in an adjoining building which it proposes to purchase and adapt at a cost of Rs. 15,000. The Council requests a grant from Provincial funds to meet both these charges.

2. The Director of Public Instruction in his endorsement, while recommending that the project for a hostel may be approved, advises that the question of extension to the college may be treated separately as further detailed information is necessary about the existing buildings and the uses to which the new ones are intended.

As observed by the Director, it would be desirable to have further information

In due course.

L. DAVIDSON—16-12-12.

on the question of providing increased accommodation for the college; the Director of Public Instruction may be

requested to submit a further report on this point.

3. As regards the question of providing hostel accommodation, the Council does not satisfactorily explain the points raised in the Memorandum of the 31st July. In the first place no reliable certificate of the value of the property which it is proposed to purchase has been obtained and submitted; nor is any plan of the building forwarded. Only a site plan has been sent up. Presumably the Director of Public Instruction has satisfied himself about the reasonableness of the proposal.

As regards the question of utilization of the endowments referred to in paragraph 3 of the Chairman's letter, dated 4th April 1912, for the purpose of constructing a hostel, the Chairman explains that the amount of endowments is now only Rs. 11,000 and that it is intended to invest this amount and to utilize the profits for repairs to buildings and the necessary improvements thereto. The Chairman, however, states that the hostel will be self-supporting.

[I fancy that raises the rent rather high. That was the case in Kumbakonam, I know, in 1905-06, when as Collector I opposed a similar proposal to this.]

L. DAVIDSON—16-12-12.

It is not understood why the cost of upkeep and repairs to buildings should not be included in the hostel charges and recovered from the students. Provision

for outlay on repairs to buildings at a certain percentage of the cost of the building is generally included in the rent to be recovered from the occupants of the hostel. As for the future improvements to the building the proper course for the Council will be to utilize the amount which it has in its hands in the purchase of the building of the hostel and to apply for a grant from Government when in future it is decided to improve the building. Apparently the Council is satisfied that the endowment can be utilized for the purpose of the hostel. It is for consideration whether the Council may be asked to reconsider its resolution in the light of the foregoing remarks.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—12-12-12.

I think the Council ought to use this endowment as a contribution for the provision of the hostel. Surely the case is included in the Director of Public Instruction's programme for the utilization of the 471 hostels grant. I wonder for what amount it is put down in those proposals.

L. DAVIDSON—16-12-12.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Rupees 15,000 has been put down for this hostel, but I agree that the endowment of which we knew nothing at the time should be utilized.

2. Rupees 7,800 or more if necessary, i.e., if the estimate is raised, might be given for the hostel on condition that the Kanti Bhoy's endowment is added to this contribution.

3. Extensions to the college buildings may be taken up separately and later.

A. G. BOURNE—20-12-12.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Rupees 7,500 is probably what the Director of Public Instruction means, *i.e.*, the half-grant which would be given for the hostel if the college were under private management. Educational may support this.* The other half will absorb the bulk of the endowment funds at the disposal of the Council and at the same time leave something over as a nest egg against further development.

* The grant to be conditional on the Council's providing the other Rs. 7,500 from the Endowment fund.

2. The college extensions must stand over.
3. Please ask if Financial will assent to the Council's being promised Rs. 7,500 as proposed.

L. DAVIDSON—21-12-12.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Salem Municipal Council applies for the following grants from Government:—

	Amount.
	RS.
(1) For hostel	15,000
(2) For college extension	37,493

Paragraph 3 of Director of Public Instruction's u.o. note on page 3 *ante*.

2. It is proposed to take up the question of item (2)—college extension—separately.

In regard to item (1), *viz.*, *hostel*, the Educational Department propose to promise a grant from Government of Rs. 7,500 being half the cost, the balance being met by the Municipal Council from the endowment funds (Rs. 11,000) at their disposal.

3. The proposal may, it is submitted, be accepted in Financial.

C. REILLY—2-1-13.

A. G. CARDEW—3-1-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

A draft order is submitted for approval. It may be sent to Local and Municipal for acceptance. It is presumed that the grant, when eventually sanctioned, will be met from the provision for hostels.

P.R.—6-1-13.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—8-1-13

L. DAVIDSON—13-1-13.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft order may, it is submitted, be accepted in this department and the file returned to Educational.

2. As regards the utilization of Kanti Bhoy's endowment attention is solicited to paragraph 8 of the Chairman's letter on page 3 of G.O. No. 2534 M., dated 5th December 1905, in which he stated that the amount had been placed at the Council's disposal for the benefit of the college generally and that its discretion in utilizing it had not been fettered in any way.

S.A.—17-1-13

V.S.—18-1-13.

L. DAVIDSON—20-1-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the draft order may now issue.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—22-1-13.

Yes please.

L. DAVIDSON—24-1-13.

[G.O. No. 61, Educational, dated 24th January 1913.]