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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following paper :—

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. H. SHARP, C.I.E., Joint Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education (Education).
To—the Financial Secretary to the Government of the Punjab.
Dated—Delhi, the 16th December 1914.
No.—1925.

I am directed to reply to your letter No. 2652-S. (Financial), dated the 21st of August 1914, regarding presents to schools. The Government of India approve of the making of such gifts for prizes, etc., to schools on the occasion of visits by Heads of Provinces or by other officers of Government so authorized. They sanction the expenditure already incurred (amounting to Rs. 600), and they also sanction the continuance of this practice in the future, provided the condition mentioned in paragraph 4 of your letter is adhered to, namely, that suitable limitations will be made on the donations to be given by other officers. The Government of India consider that it is of equal importance that the Director of Public Instruction and the Inspectors should have similar allotments for disbursement during their tours governed by similar conditions.

2. It is thought that a tendency may arise to treat secondary schools somewhat lavishly in the matter of prizes, both as to number and value. It is desirable that inspecting officers should not confine their attention to secondary schools, and that primary schools should receive their share of prizes, etc.

No. 1926—1936.

* Madras.	Central Provinces.	Copy of the correspondence forwarded to other local Governments* Finance Department for information.
Bombay.	Assam.	
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(By Order.)

H. SHARP,
 Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India.

To the Government of Madras.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. R. A. MANT, I.C.S., Financial Secretary to the Government of the Punjab.
To—the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education.
Dated—the 21st August 1914.
No.—2652-S. (Finl.).

The Lieutenant-Governor has recently visited a number of High Schools in the province, and on the conclusion of his visit he has generally offered a present to the school either for prizes for games or sports or for some school treat or excursion. The Accountant-General, Punjab, who has been consulted unofficially, has stated that he will be unable to accept the sanction of the Local Government to such charges under article 278-A of the Civil Account Code. He apparently holds that these presents to schools are not "objects customarily recognized as fit objects for the expenditure of public money."

2. The Lieutenant-Governor doubts whether the Accountant-General is correct in his interpretation of existing orders. As an instance of expenditure from public funds for the benefit of individuals, His Honour would refer to the provision made in the budget estimates under the head 25. *Political* for the entertainment of envoys and chiefs. Moreover, the Decentralisation Commission in paragraph 508 of their report recommended that funds should

Home Department Pub. A., December 1908, Nos. 198—199.

be placed at the disposal of Commissioners for rewards to private persons, and this recommendation was brought into effect under the orders

in the Government of India, Home Department, letter No. 2972, dated 18th December 1909.

3. Apart, however, from these analogies Sir Michael O'Dwyer holds that the grant of occasional gifts to schools from public funds on the occasions of visits by high officials can be justified on its own merits. Such gifts are in accordance with oriental custom, and within reasonable limits he thinks they should be encouraged. It is the policy of Government to bring the Administration into closer and more sympathetic touch with educational institutions, and one of the most effective ways of doing this is to encourage officers to visit those institutions. Such visits will be more readily made by officials and more appreciated by the school staff and students if the visitor, before leaving, offers a present to secure some sort of treat to the school or to encourage proficiency in games. In the past this has been done by officers at their own expense, or occasionally at the cost of the local body responsible for the school. The number of such institutions is, however, steadily growing. There is now a Government High School in every district and often several aided institutions besides the Board schools. Officers cannot be expected to give these presents frequently from their own pockets, and consequently their visits are likely to be restricted. Enormous sums are now being spent on educational objects, and it does not seem inappropriate, or contrary to good policy, that out of these sums a small provision should be put at the disposal of responsible officers for the object above indicated.

4. For the above reasons the Lieutenant-Governor hopes that the Government of India will rule that small gifts to schools made by the Head of a Province or Administration, or by Commissioners or Deputy Commissioners, are a proper charge on public funds. If this proposal is accepted, the Lieutenant-Governor will impose suitable limitations on the donations to be made by Commissioners or Deputy Commissioners.

5. In any case, I am to ask that the Government of India may be pleased to sanction the payment of the presents already made by Sir Michael O'Dwyer in the current year, as shown in the attached list.

SUB-ENCLOSURE.

List of presents to schools made by the Lieutenant-Governor in 1914.

	RS.
May 1914—Government High School, Ambala	50
Mission High School, Ambala	50
Khalsa High School, Ambala	50
Islamia High School, Ambala	50
Arya Samaj High School, Ambala	50
H. M. High School, Ambala Cantonment	50
Government High School, Jagadhri	50
Government High School, Karnal	100
Government High School, Ludhiana	100
Government High School, Dharmasala	50
Total	600

Order—No. 74, Educational, dated 25th January 1915.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR,
 Secretary to Government.

Copy to the Financial Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 74, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 25TH JANUARY 1915.

[SUBJECT.—*Making of gifts for prizes, etc., to schools on the occasion of visits by heads of provinces or other officers of the Government so authorized.*]

From the Government of India dated the 16th December 1914, No. 1926-1936.

The first question for consideration is whether the practice of making gifts from Provincial funds for prizes, etc., to schools on the occasion of visits by heads of provinces or by other officers of Government so authorized may be adopted in this Presidency. It is submitted that it is desirable to do so.

2. The questions which then arise are—

- (1) which other officers should be so authorized,
- (2) what allotments should be made in the budget for the next and succeeding years for this purpose, and
- (3) what limitations should be imposed on the donations to be given by other officers.

3. As regards question No. (1) it is submitted that to start with it may perhaps be sufficient to grant the power to the Members of the Government and the Director of Public Instruction. When the system has worked for some time, the desirability of extending it to the Inspectors of Schools and other officers may be considered.

4. On the question of the allotment to be made in the budget, it is suggested that a provision of Rs. 2,000 may be made in the civil budget estimate for the ensuing year. The provision to be made thereafter may be left for decision in the light of the experience of the next year.

5. As regards the limits to be made on the donations by other officers, it is for consideration whether the Members of the Government may be authorized to sanction up to Rs. 100 for each school and the Director of Public Instruction up to Rs. 50. Before promising the gifts, they will presumably intimate their desire beforehand to the Government in the Educational Department and ascertain whether sufficient funds are available.

6. The remarks of the Financial Department may be invited.

S. ANANTANARAYANAN—8-1-15.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—8-1-15.

The Director of Public Instruction should, I think, first offer his remarks.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—11-1-15.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

I see no occasion for any such system in this Presidency. I do not think it is necessary to enhance the pleasure and satisfaction caused by a visit of His Excellency the Governor or a Member of the Executive Council. My own visits I regard as mainly of a business kind and though I have no reason to think them usually un-welcome, the degree to which they are so should depend on the efficiency of the institution. Presents are certainly not now expected and indeed it seems the custom of this Presidency rather to seek to do as much as possible for a distinguished guest rather than to expect anything from him.

A If anything is done, I think, it might at any rate be confined to His Excellency's visits. Even then it should, I think, take the form of a treat or athletic contest for all the schools in a town since it is not possible as a rule for him to visit them all.

J. H. STONE—15-1-15.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted for orders.

C. RAMANUJACHARI--19-1-14.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—20-1-15.

I agree with the Director of Public Instruction.

P[ENTLAND]--21-1-15.

Let me have a draft Government Order accordingly.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR--22-1-15.

A draft order recording the papers is submitted.

S. ANANTANARAYANAN—22-1-15.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—22-1-15.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—23-1-15.

[G.O. No. 74, Educational, dated 25th January 1915.]

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