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[Despatch Abstract.]

University of Madras.

Sanctioning the payment, from the University fee fund, of two sums of Rs.500 each to the Registrar of the --- for special services rendered in connection with the printing of examination question papers.



University of Madras.

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No. 8049

SENATE HOUSE, 13 OCT 1916

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FROM

FRANCIS DEWSBURY Esq., B.A., LL.B.,

Registrar, University of Madras,

TO

The Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith copy of a letter No. O.A.9 - 12247, dated 22nd September 1916, from the Accountant-General, Madras, and to request, by direction of the Syndicate, that the sanction of the Government may be accorded to the payments made of two sums of Rs. 500 each to the Registrar for special services in connection with the printing of examination question papers.

I am to explain that since the year 1908 the Registrar has been granted full discretion in the matter of printing of examination question papers. To ensure absolute secrecy the method of such printing is not disclosed nor are the accounts brought into audit. For some years the more important question papers were printed out of India. No proofs were submitted by the printers who arranged for expert proof readers, the cost being included in the total charges paid by the University. These amounted for the examinations of 1914 and 1913 to Rs. 1,575 and Rs. 1,321 respectively and in preceding years to figures similarly corresponding to the number of candidates examined. In October 1914 after the commencement of the War the Registrar was advised by the Vice-Chancellor that he would not be justified

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in taking the responsibility of a possible delay in the delivery of or the loss of the question papers printed in Europe during the War. The Registrar, with the Vice-Chancellor's approval, adopted a scheme avoiding this risk which however involved that, to secure absolute secrecy both as to the exact time and the actual locality for such printing, the whole arrangement should be conducted by the Registrar himself as a private individual out of office hours and without reference other than absolutely necessary to any other individual and that the Registrar should undertake the further responsibility of all proof correction as he might best find possible. This arrangement has been successfully continued for two years, in each of which the Syndicate has awarded the Registrar an honorarium of Rs. 500 for the additional duties and responsibilities undertaken outside the requirements of his appointment. This honorarium has not been an additional expense to the University. In the ordinary course the printing of the question papers of 1915 would have cost the University about Rs. 1,750 as a minimum and in 1916 over Rs. 2,000, the increase in the number of candidates having been large. The actual payments made have been in 1915 Rs. 1,398 and in 1916 Rs. 1,542, including in each case the honorarium to the Registrar. In neither year has any suggestion been made of any disclosure to the candidates of the printed question papers and the purity of the University Examinations has been maintained - a matter of very considerable difficulty, as previous experience has shown, when arrangements have to be made for proof reading by individual examiners.

The Accountant-General refers in his letter to a Government Order in which exception is taken to the payment of Rs. 25 to the Registrar as a member of the Commission appointed to inspect the P.S. High School, Mylapore. In that instance the payment made to the Registrar was similar to that made to the other members of the Commission, the ordinary

cf: para 2 of
 Res. 861/2/14
 27.9.12
 (W)
 also p. 4 of the
 notes to the Res.
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No. _____
Dated _____

FROM

THE REGISTRAR OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS,

To

Enclosures _____

SUBJECT.

salary of the Registrar being deducted. The payments for which the Syndicate now desires sanction have been made for services of an entirely different character which had not previously nor, except in the special circumstances of the War, would have been requested of the Registrar.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Francis O'Sullivan

REGISTRAR.

No. _____
Dated _____

FROM

THE REGISTRAR OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS,

To

Enclosures _____

SUBJECT.

COPY of letter No. O.A.-9-12247, dated 22nd September 1916, from the Accountant-General, Madras, to the Registrar, University of Madras:-

I have the honour to point out that two sums of Rs.500 each have been drawn by you in the current and past years on account of honoraria sanctioned by the Syndicate for your services in connection with the printing of examination question papers of the University, on the ground that this work is outside your ordinary duties.

(W) 2. Government have however ruled in para 3 of their order No. 861 Educational dated the 27th September 1912 that the Registrar is a whole time servant of the University and that he should receive no special fees for extra work done by him for the University.

3. I have the honour therefore to request that you will obtain the sanction of Government for the above payments.

4. I may add that there appears to be no provision in the Regulations covering the payment of such special fees.

(True copy)

Francis D. ...

REGISTRAR

No. _____
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THE REGISTRAR OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS,

To

Enclosures _____

SUBJECT.

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(S. J. J.)
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NOTES.

C. No. 3652 From the Regd. University of No. 8049, dated the 13.10.1906.

H. H. H.

SUBJECT.

Regd. Honorary to the Registrar
of the Madras University for Special
Services in connection with the printing
of examination question papers.

P. 121 of the calendar

Regulation 146 of the University

Regulations lays down that the Registrar

"shall devote his whole time to the

"duties of his office x x x x" and

Regulation 147 (C) provides that it shall

be the duty of the Registrar "to perform

"such other work as may be from time

"to time prescribed by the Government

"and generally to render such

"assistance as may be desired by the

"Vice-Chancellor in the performance of

"his ^{official} ~~special~~ duties".

2. In the present case,

following the decision in G. O. No.

(W) 861 Ed. 1, dt. 27th Sept. 1912 that the

Registrar is as whole time servant of

the University and that he should

receive no special fees for extra

work done by him for the University

the fact: General points out that

the sanction of Govt. is necessary

for the payment to the Registrar of

two sums of Rs 500 in 1915 and 1916.

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He further adds that there is no provision in the University Regulation covering the payment of such special fees.

It is however stated

(i) that the entire arrangements connected with the printing of examination question papers including proof correction had to be conducted by the Registrar himself as a private individual out of office hours; and

(ii) that the additional duties and responsibilities were outside the requirements of his appointment and would not have been undertaken but for the situation created by the war

4 Viewed in the light

of Regulation 147 (b) it would seem that the additional duties performed by the Registrar would come within the scope of his legitimate official duties although they were attended to out of office hours. But in view of the ^{fact} ~~statement~~ that he would not have been required to do the work except for the special circumstances

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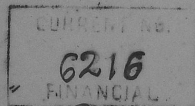


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circumstances created by the war and ~~the~~ the fact that the purity of the examinations was maintained, the payment of the honoraria in question may perhaps be sanctioned. It will also be observed that the arrangement has, if at all, resulted in a small saving to the university by way of reduced cost of printing question papers.

5 As pointed out by the A. G., the university Regulations do not provide for the payment of any special fee to the Registrar on any account. But it may be mentioned that the Regulations do not specifically prohibit the Registrar from receiving any special remuneration for extra work done by him.

Subject to orders a draft is submitted.

OK
20.10.16
J. S. S. S.

CA
21.10.16
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Nil ditil please

U. B.
21.10.16

Financial Dept.

For the A.S.

It is submitted that the University Registrar is not a govt. servant nor is the university fund a part of Provincial fund or at least a fund administered by the local Govt. vide p 363 vol 3 28-5-14. Financial is not therefore concerned with this case. With these remarks the file may be returned to Home (Col).

Then why has the

23/10/16

A.S. objected?

28/10/16

For the A.S.

The Accounts of the University are under the Audit of the Accountant General. vide p 43 vol 11-1-1916. and that the local govt have decided that the University Registrar is a whole time servant of the University and is therefore precluded from receiving any special fee other than his pay - p 861 vol 3 27-7-12

30/10/16

As the advice of Financial is sought I venture to offer the following remarks.

I see no justification for the proposed honorarium. The preparation of accounts in all papers is I take it the duty

of the Registrar. He has so far had the papers furnished without the submission ^{of proof}. If in the altered circumstances he is required to attend to the discharge of proof etc. so as to ensure secrecy this becomes, and really is, a part of his duty. There is no such thing as working on him for him. Whilst therefore he need not be required to refuse that he has done / certainly as of opinion that he should receive no such fee in future. This is the view I take, I think, like, if Mr. Dunsbury were a Gov. servant.

Am in

30.10.16

Home Dept.
(Edw.)

In view of the Assistant Secretary's note above, especially the last sentence thereof, a para may be added to the draft ^{letter} informing the Syndicate that the Govt. ~~has decided to~~

Done

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Consider that the printing of examination question papers forms part of the duty of the Registrar and that he should receive no ~~and~~ special fees for such work in future.

Id Please see addition made
1.11.16 to the draft for approval

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D. P. I. les for results
if any, on the draft for

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The result of the whole order would be that the Institute would appoint somebody to do the work and give him a fee for it, which might easily be higher than Rs 500. The best person to appoint would be the Registrar - if only because he has done it time already & knows the state of the Press and where the proof readers are most likely to be wrong.

I don't if Government values the amount of work involved and the

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number of papers were passed through the press - A chance at V.S. III of the current University Calendar will find some idea of it. It is work that the Registrar has never had to do before. It was all the papers were sent out of the hands for printing were done by the examiners. Prof. Reg. 147(c) can be supposed to cover it and the Syndicate have not and will not prescribe it as work to be done by the Registrar as part of his ordinary duties.

Government servants are frequently deputed to do work outside their ordinary duties and receive allowance.

A recent case is that of W. Gales who was deputed without prejudice to his duties as Inspector of Schools for the Decade Education Conference. I think it would be quite enough to let the Syndicate that if they wish to make such an arrangement in future they must make a formal deputation with the sanction of Government.



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In view of the Director's remarks on the previous two pages ~~it is not necessary to refer to the deputation allowance~~ the necessary deputation allowance ^{is} ~~not~~ submitted for approval.

2 With reference to ^(The Director's remarks at) 'K' and the previous page it may be mentioned that Mr. Agastya's deputation ~~to the Government~~ is connected with the conference on female education and not intended to be without prejudice to his duties as Inspector ^(of Schools) vide G.O. No. 891 Home - Edn., dt. 19th Aug. 1916. In fact he was granted a deputation allowance mainly because the deputation involved a change of station from Bangalore to Madras - vide ^(and) page 11 of the G.O. from the Director's note.

It is ~~not~~ apparent that Mr. Agastya was in charge of both ^{the} duties.

In any case the analogy of Govt. officers on special duty seems to be inappropriate in regard to the present case.

~~There is no objection.~~ If at all, art. 72

of the L.S.R. which authorizes the
payment of Special remuneration
for work of an additional or special
nature may be held to apply. There
seems to be no need for the
deputation of the Registrar in
connection with the printing of
examination question papers.

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The question of placing the
Registrar on deputation for
this purpose alone is quite
out of the question. As the
Registrar has actually done

this work for the past two years in
addition to his other duties, the
volume of work raised by the D.P.P.
need perhaps be specially brought
in to support the claim for Special
remuneration. The only question
is whether the work is outside the
legitimate duties of the Registrar. University
Regulation 147 (a) after enumerating certain
specific duties states in clause (c) that
the Ref. should perform "such other duties
work as may be from time to time pre-
scribed by the syndicate." The duty of
assigning work to the Ref. in addition
to those not specified rests with the Syndicate.

and this body consider that passing of
proof of examination papers is outside
the regular work of the Registrar. Should
we go ~~forward~~ beyond this?

CR
17-11-16

I agree with the
D.F. I completely.
Plenty except the
line he has indicated
and redraft.

I have omitted the words "as
"a very special case" in para. 1 of
the draft and have struck out
para 2. May the draft now
issue?

CR
20-11-16

J. D. 21/11

~~2. The Syndicate will be informed that any such arrangements involving similar payments should not however~~

has never been made with-
out obtaining the previous
sanction of the Govt.

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