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G.O. No. 259

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Building grant Informing the D.P.D. that the Correspondent of the C.S.M. Girls School Inamrah Street - Puvassamam, Madras may be permitted to purchase a building for the School subject to the condition that the permission carries with it no promise of any kind of a grant.

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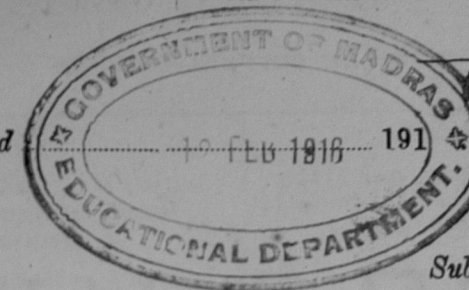
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EDUCATIONAL

DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

Enquiring whether the Correspondent, C.S.M. Girls' School, Tannah Street, Purasawalkam, Madras, may be permitted to purchase a building for the school without prejudice to the question of grant.

ENCLOSURES.

No.

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Station Madras, Dated the 10 February 1916.

From (Name) The Hon. Mr. J.H. Stone, M.A., C.I.E., F.R.H.S.,

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

EDUCATIONAL Department.

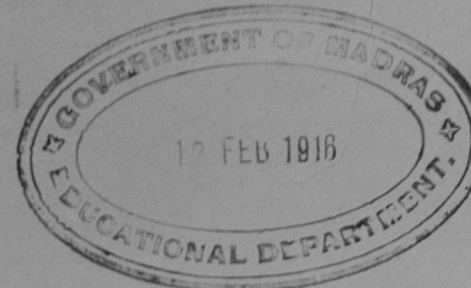
Sir,

In submitting herewith a copy of letter dated 5th August 1915 of the Correspondent, C.S.M. Girls' School, Tannah Street, Purasawalkam, Madras, I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to let me know whether she may be permitted to purchase now the building in question without prejudice to the question of grant. The inspecting officers report that the building is suitable for school purposes and recommend the proposal.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

R. A. A. A.
for Director of Public Instruction.

M. S. S.



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Letter from the Correspondent, C.S.M. Girls' School,
Madras, dated 5th August 1915 to the Director of Public Instruc-
tion, Madras.

I have the honour to bring to your notice that the C.S.M.
Girls' School, Tannah Street, Purasawalkam, is now located in
a rented building and it is proposed by the management to
purchase the existing building at a cost of about Rs. 4,700/-.

Grant will
amount to Rs. 2,350

2. As the purchase cannot be postponed, I have the honour to
request that you will be so good as to grant me permission to
purchase the property without prejudice to the question of
grant.

3. After the purchase has been completed I shall forward the
sale and title deeds with a formal application for building
grant.

4. In this connection I beg to submit that I am prepared to
receive the payment of grant when funds are available.

(True copy)

Na Anve.

for Director of Public Instruction.

M. S. S.

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OFFICE NOTE.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

SUBJECT.

Permission to purchase a building for the C.M.S. girls' school, Purasawakkam, Madras.

From

The Director of Public Instruction, R.O.C.No. 6321/15 dated the 10th February 1916.

Register No. 544.

Under article 50 of the Grant-in-aid Code grants not exceeding Rs.2,500 may be sanctioned by the Director for purchase of school buildings and under article 51 the previous permission of the Director to the purchase is sufficient for giving a grant. Though the Director is himself thus competent to permit the correspondent of the school to purchase the building in the present case, yet in view of the policy of retrenchment enunciated in Memo. No. 7437-1 Financial, dated the 26th October 1915, the Director apparently enquires whether he can permit the correspondent of the school to purchase the building without prejudice to the question of grant.

Of course the amount of grant involved in the present case is small, being only Rs.2,350; but if the principle is conceded, it would commit the Govt. to

Rs. 4700 ÷ 2
= Rs. 2350
(which will not be half the cost)

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to an unlimited extent and it is undesirable to do so in the present state of the finances. It may be noted that the Director, in his letter of the 10th January 1915 (on page 1 of G.O.No. 165 Edl., dated the 15th February 1915) pointed out that the liability of the Department under building grants amounted to nearly six lakhs ^{up to that date,} that most of the proposals would mature in the course of the next four years and that, as the allotment ordinarily provided for the purpose in the budget estimate would be insufficient to pay off the grants already promised without keeping managers waiting for their money, it was undesirable to go on increasing the liability. Further it is not known how long the present financial stringency will last and even after the close of the war it may probably take a long time before normal financial condition is restored. Moreover if the Government should go on promising building grants now, then after the war is over, there will be a large number of claims involving a very large amount and the Government will probably be placed in a serious embarrassment in meeting it.

In these circumstances it does not seem desirable that the Government should commit themselves to any promise in the matter of grants for building which

which, it is submitted, can be postponed without grave inconvenience. It is therefore for consideration whether the Director may be told that the Government consider it desirable in the present financial situation that permission to purchase buildings and sanction for building grants should be deferred ^{until} ~~the war is over.~~

Id
14.2.16. D. P. J. for Consideration.
Main Committee, please,
I think, in the above note.
Be wise to accept as
Commitment?

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Steady working Government would be committed to nothing by giving the permission - all it means is that should an application be made at any future time the particular objection would not be taken that the

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purchase has been effected without Government having been consulted.

2. It is to be presumed that if they are not able to take advantage of the opportunity to purchase, they may not recur or at any rate that the purchase will cost the mission and perhaps ultimately Government a good deal more. If the permission is given it will be clearly explained that no promise of a grant is given.



23.11.16

Educational Department

The Director's note does not meet the objection raised in the office note on pages 1-2 ante.

The argument in para.2 of the Director's note is no doubt weighty so far as the need for the immediate purchase of the property in the present case is concerned. The Director does not ^{however} meet the objection ~~that~~ that if such permission is granted the eventual financial liabilities will become so large that the Government may not be able to meet it easily. But since he states that if the permission is given in the present case, it will be clearly explained that no promise of

grant is given, it is for consideration whether the Director may be informed that the Govt have no objection to his granting permission to purchase the building in question on the distinct understanding that no promise of a grant is given.

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fact, why is the permission
of the D. P. I. Salicite?

[Handwritten signature]
25/2/16

The permission of the D.P.I. is specially required by article 51 (i) of the Grant-in-aid Code, so that if the purchase is made without such permission, an application for grant made at a future time is liable to rejection on that ground alone, apart from other merits of the case. The request of the school authorities in the present case is that their application for a grant, whenever it is subsequently made, should not be rejected on the ^{technical} ~~main~~ ground ~~of~~ want of that permission. The grant of the permission applied for, therefore, implies that the question of grant is left undecided now, its decision one way or other depending entirely on the financial circumstances obtaining

obtaining at the time of the application.

2. For precedent in which the required permission has been granted in the past by the Government, please see paper II on p.4 of G.O.

No.425 Edl, dated 1st July 1911, and paper IV on page 3 of G.O.No.1154 Edl, dated 9th October 1914.

*28.2.16. With kind regards
advise? I cannot
help feeling - interesting
that we shall be Committee
consider by taking action
as proposed*

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29.2.16

Financial dept.

Submitted that it seems advisable to agree in the view of the Educational Secretary that permission to purchase buildings and sanction for building grants should be deferred until the war is over.

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Mr 3-4 ante

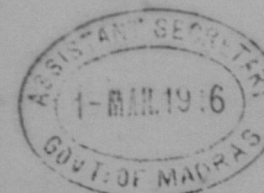


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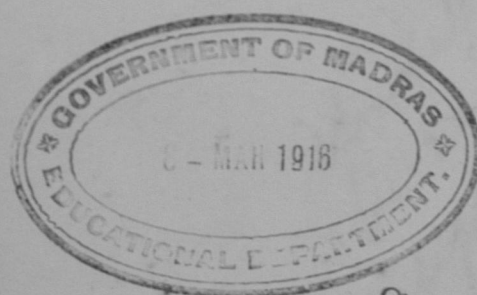
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I am not sure whether it would not be wiser to give the permission now coupled with the condition which the D.P.I. suggests should be imposed viz that the permission does not connote any promise of a grant. It might be cheaper to buy now, and all that the Administration wants to guard against is the technical objection which may be raised if the house were bought without permission.

CS. 4.3.16

We had not object to permission being given subject to the condition that this carries with it no promise of a grant.

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Educational Department

A draft order on the lines of the Financial Department's note is submitted for approval.

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No. 25955, dated 10-3-1916

Miss

264 D.P.9 will be informed that the Correspondent of the C. S. M. girls' school, Tannah street, Purasawakkam Madras, may be permitted to purchase the building in question, subject to the condition ~~which should be clearly explained to her~~ that the permission carries with it no promise of a grant of any kind.

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