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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

I

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. J. H. STONE, M.A., F.R.H.S., C.I.E., Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—the 24th December 1915.
No.—R.C. 10160/1915.

I have the honour to submit herewith an application from the Chairman, Municipal Council, Mayavaram, R.C. No. 603, dated 26th September 1915, for a Provincial contribution to meet the cost of acquisition of a site known as Rajanthottam in the Mayavaram Municipality for the construction of a hostel for the Municipal high school. The present seems to be a suitable opportunity for purchasing the land though there will necessarily be some delay before the building is undertaken. I recommend that a subsidy equal to one-half of the estimated cost of acquisition of the site, or Rs. 12,500, be paid to the Municipal Council out of the allotment under "22-G. Education—Grants-in-aid—Hostels" in the current year's budget. For meeting the balance the Chairman reports in his telegram (copy enclosed) that the President, District Board, Tanjore, has sanctioned a free grant of Rs. 5,000 and a loan of the balance from Chattram funds at 4½ per cent. A sketch plan of the site together with a valuation statement is also submitted herewith.

ENCLOSURE.

Letter—from the Chairman, Municipal Council, Mayavaram
To—the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
Dated—the 26th September 1915.
No.—R.C. 603.

During the last two years there has been in existence a strong influential committee of the land-holders of Mayavaram and its neighbourhood, called the Hardinge Hostel Committee, which has undertaken the duty of providing hostels for the use of pupils of the Municipal high school, Mayavaram. The task, which this Committee has undertaken, is a huge one, as a complete scheme of hostels for this high school would involve provision of residential quarters, etc., for more than 300 pupils. The Committee expected, however, to give a start to the scheme by undertaking to provide one set of buildings for about a hundred pupils. But the current financial stringency consequent on the war has made it impossible for the Committee to make the beginning it had intended.

2. For the past one year the Committee has been maintaining the hostel in rented quarters. In expectation of a two-thirds grant from the Provincial funds, the Committee proposed to put up a building on a portion of the compound of the primary department of the high school at a cost of about Rs. 7,000. But in your Proceedings, Ref. on C. No. 10160, dated 2nd June 1915, you intimated the Secretaries of the Committee that only half of the grant could be recommended by you to the Government. The Committee does not feel itself justified in undertaking to provide a building from public subscriptions on a site not permanently suitable for the purpose. It has therefore applied to the Municipal Council for help in providing a permanent site for the hostels and sports grounds necessary to be attached thereto.

3. The Municipal Council, Mayavaram, has, in its meeting, dated 16th instant, resolved to acquire the grounds known as Rajanthottam covering an area of about 36 acres, and accessible at a distance of about a furlong from the high school, should the necessary financial assistance be forthcoming at an early date. On behalf of the Municipal Council, I have applied to the District Board, Tanjore, who are the trustees of the Chariv Funds known as "Tanjore Raja's Chattram Fund," for a free grant of a fourth of the cost of the acquisition of the gardens referred

to and a loan of the remaining fourth of the same cost. I understand that you have personally seen the site proposed, expressed your approval of it and you have promised your assistance to the Committee in securing the same.* I have the honour to request, on behalf of the Council, you will be kind enough to let me know if you can recommend to the Government the grant of half the cost of the above acquisition and also if the funds necessary therefor—to the extent of about Rs. 12,500—would be available for the purpose from the current year's budget. The Council can complete its negotiations regarding the loan from the Chattram funds only if it can feel sure that the Government grant necessary for the purpose would be forthcoming within the current official year.

In view of the great difficulty in obtaining suitable sites within the municipal limits of Mayavaram and the rapidly increasing value of such sites as are available, it is desirable that the gardens referred to should be acquired as early as possible, and the site now proposed is by far the best, being both adequate and easily accessible from the high school and should the acquisition of the same be deferred, its acquisition may become impossible either on account of its enhanced value or on account of its being diverted to other purposes. I therefore have the honour to request you to kindly give the matter your favourable consideration and secure to the Council the timely financial aid for the scheme.

(ii)

Letter—from the Joint Secretaries, Hardinge Hostel Committee, Mayavaram.
To—the Chairman, Municipal Council, Mayavaram.
Dated—the 26th August 1915.
No.—5.

With reference to your letter Ref. on C.R. No. 603, dated 10th July 1915, we have the honour to report that our Committee originally proposed to put up a temporary boarding house on a part of the ground behind the primary school. The Committee accordingly submitted plans and estimates to the Director of Public Instruction, aggregating to over Rs. 10,000, and requesting the Director to sanction a grant of two-thirds of the total cost. But the Director of Public Instruction in his Proceedings Ref. on C. No. 10160, dated 2nd June 1915, has stated that he can sanction a grant of only half the total cost of the building proposed.

Our Committee is of opinion that it will not be justified in spending public moneys to the extent of over Rs. 5,000 in the construction of a building which will be only of temporary use for hostel purposes and has therefore determined to give up the proposal.

In the opinion of our Committee, it is of the first consequence for the successful working of the scheme that suitable and extensive grounds should first be acquired, specially for hostel purposes, and, that the only grounds available are those constituting the Rajanthottam.

As a preliminary towards the acquisition of this garden, our Committee has already acquired a lease of the same, from the Official Receiver of the Palace Estate, Tanjore, for a period of seven years, in order to make portions of it available as sports grounds for the school pupils.

Some of the members of the Committee waited on R. B. Wood, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, during his recent visit to this town, in order to explain to him the necessity of acquiring this property, and requesting his assistance by way of recommending a free grant of a portion of the cost of such acquisition and a loan of another portion thereof from the Chattram funds by the District Board, Tanjore.

The Collector was of opinion that the District Board may be willing to make a grant of a fourth of the cost of acquisition and a loan of another fourth of such cost on the security of the property acquired. But in order to secure a grant from Government of half the cost of acquisition, the property has to be acquired free of all encumbrances. Since, at the present time, owing to the scarcity of money, the Committee feels it cannot undertake to find the necessary funds to the extent of a fourth of the cost of the acquisition of the property, we have been ordered by the Municipal Committee to address you in order that the said property may be acquired by the Municipal Council for the purpose of providing accommodation for all the buildings that will become eventually necessary for hostel purposes and also for providing the hostel pupils with ample sports grounds. The Committee estimates that any scheme of hostel accommodation in order to meet the requirements of the high school under present circumstances will, in order to be complete, have to provide accommodation to as many as 300 pupils and that the extent of the Rajanthottam, comprising an area of about 35 acres, will not be too much for locating all the buildings, the scheme would involve, besides providing adequate sports grounds for the pupils.

We have the honour, therefore, to request you will be kind enough to move the Municipal Council, Mayavaram, to take early steps to acquire the property. Since the Government is likely to make a free grant of half the cost and the Council may find it easy to secure another free grant of a fourth of the cost from the Chattram funds in the hands of the District Board, Tanjore, the direct financial responsibility involved on the Council will be very small and even for this, the Council may easily arrange by applying to the said Chattram funds for a loan of the additional amount that may be required. We estimate the total cost of acquisition to fall within Rs. 20,000 and the Council may have to take a loan of only Rs. 5,000 to get the site into its hands as its own absolute property.

If the Council can help the Committee by acquiring this property at an early date, the Committee will undertake, as soon as the present period of scarcity of money is somewhat relaxed, to collect the necessary funds and put up the first instalment of buildings for the hostel. We, therefore, request that you will move the Council to take very early steps towards the acquisition of Rajanthottam and thus help the Committee towards the realization of the objects it has in view.

(iii)

VALUATION STATEMENT for the acquisition of "Rajanthottam" for the construction of hostel buildings for the use of the high school pupils.

Value at twenty years' purchase, annual lease amount being Rs. 620.	Rs. 13,400
Value of trees separately assessed	4,000
Compensation for brick walls when completely repaired	3,400
Total present value	20,800
Add 15 per cent compensation for compulsory acquisition	3,120
Total	23,920
Cost of acquiring lands for, and the formation of a straight passage to, the Rajanthottam from the high school premises. Lump sum	1,080
Total	25,000

(iv)

Telegram—from the Chairman, Municipal Council, Mayavaram.

To—the Director of Public Instruction.

Dated—the 18th December 1915.

My letter 603, dated 16th instant. Tanjore District Board has since sanctioned grant for hostel.

II

Memorandum No. 260-1 M., dated 28th February 1916.

The Director of Public Instruction has reported that the Mayavaram Municipal Council have proposed to take a loan of Rs. 7,500 from the Tanjore District Board at

Total expenditure	Rs. 1,12,345	Total income	Rs. 1,69,928
Deduct—		Deduct—	
Expenditure on new works	20,656	Special grants and contributions	73,920
Plague charges	139	Loans	17,000
Advances recoverable	455	Advances recovered	396
Other extraordinary expenditure (acquisition of lands)	11,380	Total	91,316
Total	32,630	Normal income	78,612
Ordinary expenditure	79,715		
Excess expenditure {	79,715		
	78,612		

payments on account of the loan. Assuming a currency of twenty years for the loan, the annual payment will amount to Rs. 576.

2. The Collector of Tanjore is requested to report on the constitution of the Hardinge Hostel Committee referred to in the accompanying extract of the Chairman's letter No. R.C. 603, dated 26th September 1915, to the Director of Public Instruction, and if it is in a position to finance the hostel scheme.

(By Order.)

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Mayavaram.

Copy to the Collector of Tanjore.

" Director of Public Instruction.

" Educational Department.

III

Letter—from M.R. Ry. M. S. NATESA AYYAR Avargal, Chairman, Municipal Council, Mayavaram.

To—the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Deputy Collector of Mayavaram).

Dated—the 4th March 1916.

No.—R.C. 603 of 1915.

With reference to Government memorandum No. 260-1 M., dated 28th February 1916, I have the honour to submit that the ordinary expenditure of this municipality during the year 1914-15 as calculated therein includes certain items which were not ordinary. A sum of Rs. 3,781 under "Educational expenditure" was met out of educational subsidies from Government drawn by the Municipal Council during the previous year and expended on special purposes in the year 1914-15 in payment of enhanced salaries of teachers with effect from 1st April 1913 and in purchase of furniture and certain other articles of educational equipment. Further during that year, the Council invested a sum of Rs. 317 on the purchase of an iron road-roller and other tools required for the use of the Engineering staff of the municipality. Thus in all from the amount of Rs. 79,715 as calculated in the memorandum above referred to, a sum of Rs. 4,098 has to be deducted and the ordinary expenditure therefore amounts to only Rs. 75,617 which is less than the ordinary revenue by Rs. 2,995 instead of being in excess thereof. This margin out of ordinary revenues available for improvements has been still further enhanced during the current year by a sum of about Rs. 4,000 being the increased receipts from tax on buildings consequent on the quinquennial revision and by Rs. 4,500 under school fees. The resources of this municipality are undergoing rapid development while the expenditure is being strictly economised and the Council feels sure that the additional responsibility incurred by the proposed loan would constitute only a small fraction of the enhanced income under the single head of "School fees" alone. The Council therefore requests that the Government may be pleased to permit the Council to take a loan of Rs. 7,500 from the District Board and also sanction a subsidy of Rs. 12,500 from the special Imperial grant for hostels before the end of the current official year.

Endorsement No. El. 15, dated 10th March 1916.

Submitted.

S. N. V. RAJACHAR,
Deputy Collector.

To the Collector of Tanjore.

Endorsement R.C. No. 341-MI., dated 15th March 1916.

Forwarded.

R. B. Wood,
Collector.

IV

Letter—from R. B. Wood, Esq., I.C.S., Collector of Tanjore.

To—the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department.

Dated—the 7th March 1916.

No.—R.C. 341-MI.

With reference to Government memorandum No. 260-1 M., dated 28th February 1916, asking me to report on the Hardinge Hostel Committee of Mayavaram, I have the honour to state that it was formed in 1913, with the object of opening hostels in Mayavaram for the boys of the high school: and it is now managing a hostel with 50 boys in it, in a building rented at Rs. 50 a month. The Committee is a strong committee consisting of the leading people in the Mayavaram division, and I enclose a list of its members.

2. There is, I think, no question that the Committee will be able to finance the hostel scheme, and would probably have raised the money by now had it not been for the war. Now, owing to the collections for the Madras War Fund, and the tightness of money everywhere, they feel that they ought not to start collecting money

for the hostel buildings, and have accordingly postponed this till the end of the war. They consider however that it is none the less important to get hold of the land without delay, and I very strongly support this view.

3. The Municipal Council proposes to acquire the land, and keep possession of it, because they wish the land and the hostels to be vested ultimately in their corporate body, even though the buildings are put up by the public committee referred to supra. The Committee also agrees with this view. Co-operation of this sort between a public body and a separate committee is perhaps unusual, but it is a step in the right direction, and may lead to valuable developments.

ENCLOSURE.

Members of the Sub-Committee.

- (1) M.R.Ry. Rai Sahib S. A. Subrahmanya Ayyar Avargal, President, Retired Executive Engineer and President, Taluk Board.
- (2) " Rao Sahib K. Vaidyanatha Ayyar Avargal, Vice-President, Mayavaram Taluk Board, Joint Secretary.
- (3) " Rai Sahib S. N. V. Rajachar Avargal, Deputy Collector, Mayavaram. (By special permission of the Collector.)
- (4) " M. S. Natesa Ayyar Avargal, Chairman, Municipal Council.
- (5) " D. Vaidyanatha Dikshitar Avargal, Wakil, Mayavaram.
- (6) " T. S. Vaidyanatha Ayyar Avargal, Huzur Sarishtadar, Collector's Office, Tanjore. (By special permission of the Collector.)
- (7) " S. P. Srinivasa Pillai Avargal, Municipal Councillor, Mayavaram.
- (8) " David Nadar, Taluk Board Member, Mayavaram.
- (9) " Thandavaraya Chettiyar Avargal, Taluk Board Member, Mayavaram.
- (10) " S. K. Chidambaram Avargal, Municipal Councillor and Taluk Board Member, Mayavaram.
- (11) " S. Kuppuswami Ayyar Avargal, High Court Wakil, Mayavaram.
- (12) " I. Nataraja Mudaliyar Avargal, Municipal Councillor, Mayavaram.
- (13) " T. R. Ragnanatha Rao Avargal, B.A., B.L., High Court Wakil, Mayavaram, Joint Secretary.
- (14) The Hon'ble K. Chidambaramnatha Mudaliyar Avargal, Shiyali.
- (15) M.R.Ry. K. Vijaya Raghavan Nayudu Avargal, Taluk Board Member, Edamandal, Shiyali.
- (16) " Tirunarayana Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar, Shiyali.
- (17) " Chokkalinga Mudaliyar Avargal, B.A., B.L., Union Chairman and Wakil, Shiyali.
- (18) " K. R. Krishnaswami Ayyangar Avargal, B.A., B.L., Wakil, Shiyali.
- (19) " T. R. Srinivasa Achariyar Avargal, Wakil and Taluk Board Member, Shiyali.
- (20) " K. Seshu Ayyar Avargal, Headmaster, Municipal High School, Mayavaram.
- (21) " K. R. Chidambaram Chettiyar Avargal, Taluk Board Member, Thirupungur.
- (22) " Natesa Ayyar Avargal, Mirasidar, Noppathur.
- (23) " Swaminatha Ayyar Avargal, Mirasidar, Neppathur.
- (24) " S. Subrahmanya Ayyar Avargal, Mirasidar, Kunnam.
- (25) " Muthu Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar, Thiruvengadu.
- (26) " Swaminatha Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar, Perunthottam.
- (27) " Chokkalingam Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar, Kellaperumballam.
- (28) " Subraya Vaidyanatha Ayyar Avargal, Mirasidar, Tirukkadayur.
- (29) " V. Swaminatha Pillai Avargal, Maruthur, Municipal Councillor.
- (30) " T. Venkatarama Ayyar of Pungavur, Mirasidar, Mayavaram.
- (31) " T. A. Mutha Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar, Pallavarayapet.
- (32) " N. Balasubramaniya Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar, Ambanathapuram.
- (33) " E. G. Nataraja Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar and Taluk Board Member, Enathimangalam.
- (34) " T. Guruswami Nadar Avargal, Porayar, Abkari Contractor.
- (35) " Bengalam S. Narayanaswami Nayudu Avargal, Mirasidar, Porayar.
- (36) " Kali Kumaraswami Chettiyar Avargal, Mirasidar, Porayar.
- (37) " V. Chokkalingam Mudaliyar Avargal, Kuttalam, Merchant.
- (38) " Kargudi Ratnam Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar.
- (39) " G. Chandrasekaram Pillai Avargal of Manamodu, Mirasidar (since dead).
- (40) " Parameswara Pillai of Thirukkadayur, Mirasidar (since dead).
- (41) " Rangaswami Reddi Avargal of Kadalangudi, Mirasidar.
- (42) " N. S. Ramaswami Pillai Avargal of Naganbadi, Mirasidar and Devastanam Committee Member.
- (43) " Nallavur Natesam Pillai Avargal, Mirasidar.
- (44) " V. Subrahmanya Ayyar Avargal of Konerirajapuram, Mirasidar.

- (45) M.R.Ry. K. S. Narayanaswami Ayyar Avargal of Konerirajapuram. (Died after bequeathing Rs. 4,200 for the hostel.)
- (46) " S. Sambasiva Ayyar Avargal of Konerirajapuram.
- (47) " R. Subrahmanya Ayyar Avargal, Mirasidar and Taluk Board Member, Anantandavapuram.
- (48) " T. S. Swaminatha Ayyar Avargal of Kuttalam, Merchant.
- (49) " Andiappa Odayar Avargal of Kadalangudi, Mirasidar.

Order—No. 637, Educational, dated 9th June 1916.

The Municipal Council of Mayavaram will be informed that the Government will be prepared to sanction a half grant of Rs. 12,500 towards the acquisition of a site known as Rajanthottam for the construction of a hostel, etc., for the Municipal high school. The Council will be requested to address the Government again for orders for the disbursement of the grant after it has secured the balance of the amount required for the purpose.

(True Extract.)

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Mayavaram.
" Collector of Tanjore.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Accountant-General.
" Local and Municipal Department, with notes.
" Financial Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 637, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
9TH JUNE 1916.

[SUBJECT.—*Application from the Chairman of the Mayavaram Municipal Council for a grant of Rs. 12,500 for the acquisition of a site for the construction of a hostel for the Municipal high school.*]

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated the 24th December 1915, No. 10160.

For orders whether the Director's recommendation may be accepted with the concurrence of Financial.

S.A.—5-1-16.

Submitted that the remarks of the Local and Municipal Department may first be obtained on the council's proposal to take a loan of Rs. 7,500 for the acquisition of a site for the hostel. The scheme itself will have to be approved in that department before any Provincial grant is made for it.

V.S.—6-1-16.

Will Local and Municipal please advise?

C. G. TODHUNTER—7-1-16.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

In paragraph 6 of his endorsement on the administration report of the Mayavaram municipality for 1914-15, the Revenue Divisional Officer referred to a "hostel scheme" stating that a beginning had already been made to give effect to the scheme and pointed out that it would soon become an accomplished fact, if only the municipal council were to help the movement as much as possible. These remarks were commended by Government to the notice of Cf. also clause (4) of G.O. 1582 M., 20th the council—vide clause (5) of G.O. No. August 1914. 1461 M., dated the 15th September 1915. There are no later papers in this department in regard to the scheme.

2. From the current correspondence, it appears that there is a "Hardinge Hostel Committee" formed in Mayavaram with the object of providing hostels for the students of the Municipal high school at the place and that this committee is prepared to undertake the construction of a building with the aid of public subscriptions. In order to secure a permanent site for the building free from all encumbrances the committee has invoked the council's help, as the committee was unable to find the necessary funds itself. The council have accordingly resolved upon the acquisition of a suitable site (said to have been approved by the Director of Public Instruction), about 36 * acres in extent, at an estimated cost of Rs. 25,000 to be met as follows:—

	RS.
(1) Government grant	12,500
(2) Grant from the district board	5,000
(3) Loan from chattram funds to be taken by the council	7,500
Total	25,000

So far, it appears that the council have undertaken financial responsibility *only* in regard to the acquisition of the *site*; the construction of the hostel and the future management thereof are apparently matters to be arranged for by the hostel committee.

3. In regard to the loan from chattram funds (under the management of the district board), contemplated by the municipal council, attention is solicited to section 7 of the Local Authorities Loans Act of 1914, which lays down that "except as provided for by this Act no local authority shall for any purpose borrow money upon "or otherwise charge its funds." It is submitted, therefore, that the council cannot take a loan from the Tanjore District Board, as proposed purely by *private arrangement*. It is, however, possible to bring the loan under the Local Authorities Loans Act. In that case all that the council would have to do is to go through the formalities prescribed for an *open market loan* under the Act and to accept a tender from the Tanjore District Board for the full amount of the loan. Perhaps the council contemplate the adoption of this course but no proposals in this regard have been submitted to Government. It may be that they are awaiting the result of this application for a grant.

4. It has, however, to be noted that the council had a *deficit* of Rs. 1,103 under ordinary funds in 1914-15 and that they are not, therefore, in a position to finance a loan of Rs. 7,500 at $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent the equated annual payments for which will *exceed* Rs. 555 for a currency of 20 years.

Page 6 of Notes to G.O. 1461 M., 15th September 1915.

It would seem, therefore, that the present application for a Government grant in so far as it rests on the council's proposal to take a loan from the district board cannot be supported in this department. Orders are solicited.

N.R.—17-1-16.

Under Secretary.—Do you know anything about this matter? I doubt whether the proposed expenditure should be sanctioned.

J. P. BEDFORD—19-1-16.

I do not know anything about the committee—its personnel or financial position. I submit, however, that the scheme put forward by the council deserves support. A hostel has always been felt to be necessary for the high school. The site proposed, which I know, is very suitable from all points of view. It is a good idea to acquire it now, as land-values are rising rapidly in Mayavaram, and, if the council wait till the hostel scheme is matured and plans and estimates are prepared, the acquisition charges will become heavier. If the land is acquired, it will vest in the council, and before allowing the committee to build, the Government and the council can impose such conditions as they may consider necessary.

2. The council's attention may be drawn to the deficit under ordinary funds in 1914-15 and they may be asked to report how they propose to meet the additional charges that will be imposed by the loan.

3. The Collector may be asked to report on the constitution of the committee, and specially if it is in a position to finance the hostel scheme.

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR—20-1-16.

A hostel for boys is doubtless an excellent thing, but I doubt whether the council can afford to run it. Moreover, I think that it should be self-supporting, i.e., that the fees should pay for capital and recurring expenditure. Please examine again, in connection with the municipal budget.

When will the budgets begin to come up to me? I have separately ordered that I should see them all this year.

J.P.B.—21-1-16.

A reference may go as proposed by the Under Secretary. We need not at this stage say anything about the question of fees to be charged. I had a talk with the Divisional Officer and the Chairman and they told me they would have no difficulty in paying off the loan. Whenever the hostels may be built, the acquisition of the site in question at once is desirable. I have inspected the site and it is eminently suitable for the purposes of the hostel and for playgrounds. It is about a hundred

yards as the crow flies from the school building and contains plenty of space for all future developments as well as present requirements. It won't be possible to get an equally eligible and extensive site elsewhere in Mayavaram.

P. S. SIVASWAMI AYYAR—23-2-16.

A draft memorandum is submitted for approval.

K.K.—25-2-16.

N.R.—26-2-16.

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR—23-2-16.

[Memorandum No. 260-1 M., dated 23th February 1916.]

From the Chairman of the Mayavaram Municipal Council, dated 4th March 1916, No. 603.

From the Collector of Tanjore, dated 7th March 1916, No. 341.

From the explanation now offered by the Chairman it appears that the ordinary expenditure of the municipality was less than its ordinary receipts in 1914-15 by Rs. 2,995. The municipal council had similar surpluses in 1912-13 and 1913-14 also, the average surplus for the three years being Rs. 2,839.

Column 14 of statement XI on page 6 of the Notes to G.O. 1461 M., 15th September 1915.

V.T.K.—25-3-16.

The municipal council are thus in a position to finance a loan of Rs. 7,500.

2. The Collector also reports that the

I know most of the members of the committee. There can be no doubt about their ability to carry the scheme through.

V.T.K.—25-3-16.

invited to paragraph 3 of the office-note

The rules framed by the Government of India (G.O. 882, Financial, 23rd November 1914) require this.

V.T.K.—25-3-16.

No. 955-A, dated 15th November 1915, the Government of India (Finance Department) have directed that while the war lasts local bodies cannot be allowed to enter the market or negotiate loans with banks or others during the period in each year beginning with the 1st March and ending when the borrowing operations contemplated by the Government of India during the year have been completed. Thus the restriction imposed by the Government of India is not an absolute restriction and there is, therefore, no objection to the present loan being raised in 1916-17, after the borrowing operations of the Government of India for that year have been completed.

Apparently, the loan cannot be raised now; the council will have to wait till August or September.

V.T.K.—25-3-16.

4. In these circumstances, it is submitted that the present application for a grant for the acquisition of the site for a hostel may be supported in this department and the file passed on to Educational.

N.R.—21-3-16.

V.T.K.—25-3-16.

There is no objection to the proposed loan from the chattram funds so far as the district board are concerned.

The district board have also provided in their budget estimate for 1916-17 for the grant of Rs. 5,000 to the council.

P.S.N.—23-3-16.

The President's application for Government sanction to give this grant is being separately dealt with.

B.G.—24-3-16.

V.T.K.—25-3-16.

The Director's recommendation for a subsidy of Rs. 12,500 may be approved.

C. G. TODD HUNTER—18-4-16.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that in the circumstances explained above it appears desirable to sanction a half-grant of Rs. 12,500 to the Municipal Council of Mayavaram towards the construction of a hostel for the Municipal High school. The Financial Department may now be requested to state if they agree.

2. After the file returns from Financial, the Director of Public Instruction may be asked to point out the source from which the grant could be met. It may be presumed for the present that it could be found from the provision for hostels under 22 G. Grants-in-Aid.

S.A.—21-4-16.

In his letter, dated the 24th December 1915, he stated that that source was available. It has to be definitely ascertained from him whether the current year's provision under that head will admit of this grant.

A.—Does Financial Agree?

B.—The Director of Public Instruction will be asked.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—22-4-16.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Please see the Educational Department notes above. This department is asked to agree to the payment of a half-grant of Rs. 12,500 to the Mayavaram Municipal Council towards the acquisition of a site for the construction of a hostel for the Municipal high school. The hostel itself will be built only later on when the war ends and subscriptions can be collected for the purpose. The acquisition of the site is stated to be urgent because land-values are rising rapidly in Mayavaram.

2. It is apparently the intention that the grant should be paid in the current year and the Educational Department propose to ask the Director of Public Instruction if the current year's budget provision of '96 lakh for hostels under "22-G. EDUCATION—GRANTS-IN-AID" will admit of this grant. It is submitted that this department may agree to the half-grant now proposed if the Director of Public Instruction can find the necessary funds after taking into consideration all liabilities already accepted and likely to be paid in the current year. For orders.

V.V.—27-4-16.

T.A.S.—27-4-16.

I foresee some difficulty in acquiring at once. If acquisition proceedings are started, the money will have to be paid at once. The Government contribution will be available, and perhaps also the grant from the district board, but what about the money which is to be raised as a loan. Who will pay the Rs. 7,500 pending the flotation of the loan? Will Educational and Local and Municipal kindly reconsider?

L. E. KERSHAW—23-4-16.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Please see paragraph 3 of Local and Municipal note on page 3 supra. It appears therefrom that loan funds cannot be secured before August or September next. If a grant is promised at present, it may be sufficient if it is made payable only then. It does not seem to be anywhere stated that it is immediately wanted. Even the acquisition proceedings will take some time.

Local and Municipal may also be consulted as desired by Financial.

C.R.—28-4-16.

P.R.—2-5-16.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

The above remarks of the Educational Department are correct. All that is now wanted is to secure a promise of a Provincial grant of one-half of the cost of the acquisition amounting to Rs. 12,500. If this promise is given the council will take the initiative in regard to acquisition proceedings which must necessarily take some time.

The file may now be returned to Financial through Educational.

V.S.—6-5-16.

C. G. TODHUNTER—9-5-16.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the file may be passed on to Financial with reference to that department's note on page 4 supra.

S.A.—12-5-16.

C.R.—14-5-16.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—15-5-16.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

We may agree to a half-grant of Rs. 12,500 subject to the following conditions:—

(a) the money will be found from existing budget provision, and

(b) it will be paid when the council has raised the other half.

It will then be for the administrative department to see that acquisition proceedings are not hustled.

L. E. KERSHAW—16-5-16.

Yes.

L. DAVIDSON—17-5-16.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the Director of Public Instruction may now be requested to state whether the grant of Rs. 12,500 could be paid in the current year and, if so, from what source—please see page 4 supra.

S.A.—19-5-16.

C.R.—19-5-16.

P.R.—19-5-16.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

The amount may be met in the current year from Rs. 96,000 under 22-G. Educational—Grants-in-Aid of Hostels, the total expenditure that can be incurred being roughly estimated at Rs. 88,000.

J. H. STONE—27-5-16.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

A draft order is submitted for approval. It may be sent to Local and Municipal for acceptance.

S.A.--29-5-16.

C.R.—29-5-16.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—31-5-16.

To the Local and Municipal Department:

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the draft order may be accepted in this department and the file returned to Educational. On receipt of the Government Order with notes from Educational the linked files will be disposed of.

T.B.R.—5-6-16.

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR—6-6-16.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the draft order may now issue.

C.R.—7-6-16.

Yes.

P.R.—8-6-16.

[G.O. No. 637, Educational, dated 9th June 1916.]

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requested to address the Govt. again
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