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READ—the following paper :—

Letter—from F. DEWSBURY, Esq., Registrar, University of Madras.

To—the Secretary to Government, Home (Education) Department.

Dated—the 8th November 1919.

No.—7587.

The Syndicate has been considering the question of providing a permanent University staff to give instruction to students undertaking the course and examination for the Diploma in Economics. The Board of Studies in History and Economics, in one of its reports, stated 'that there exists a considerable desire for an extension of economic teaching under the University and that the Economic Diploma course was instituted to meet that desire', and that the Board considers that the Diploma scheme cannot fulfil the purpose with which it was established unless an adequate permanent staff be appointed to carry on the work.' The Syndicate thereupon requested the Board of Studies to furnish definite proposals for the provision of an adequate permanent staff to carry on the work of the Diploma scheme. The Board thereupon recommended the appointment of an Assistant Professor of Indian Economics and of two readers in Economics. The Syndicate adopted the proposals of the Board of Studies and recommended to the Senate

That with a view to the development of the Diploma course in Economics the Syndicate be empowered to appoint from 1st July 1920,

(a) an Assistant Professor of Indian Economics for a period of five years on a salary not exceeding Rs. 750 per mensem, and

(b) two readers on a salary of Rs. 100—20—200 each per mensem.

This recommendation was accepted by the Senate at its meeting held on 24th October 1919. I am now directed by the Syndicate to request the sanction of the Government thereto. Presumably the cost of these appointments will have to be met from the unallocated balances of the recurring grant from the Government of India.

In view of the necessity for immediate action if the services of a suitable Assistant Professor in Indian Economics are to be obtained before July next, the Syndicate has already advertised in India and is arranging for similar advertisements in England that it is proposed to make the above appointments, and applications for appointment are being invited in anticipation of the sanction of the Government to the proposals of the Senate.

I have to request that early orders may be issued on this matter.

Order—No. 1493, Home (Education), dated 3rd December 1919.

The Government sanction the proposal of the Syndicate of the University of Madras to employ for a period of five years from or after 1st July 1920,

(i) an Assistant Professor of Indian Economics on a salary not exceeding Rs. 750 per mensem ; and

(ii) two readers on a salary of Rs. 100—20—200 each per mensem.

2. This sanction is subject to the condition that the cost involved is met from the funds at the disposal of the University.

(True extract)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

To the Registrar, University of Madras.

Copy to the Director of Public Instruction.
" Accountant-General.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 1493, HOME (EDUCATION),
DATED 3RD DECEMBER 1919

[SUBJECT.—*Employment of an Assistant University Professor of Indian Economics and two readers.*]

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HOME (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

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2. The Syndicate now proposes to employ an assistant professor of Indian economics for a period of five years on a salary not exceeding Rs. 750 per mensem and two readers on Rs. 100—10—200 each: the latter are presumably meant to be also for a period of five years.

3. First, as to the necessity for the proposed appointments, it is stated that they are for the development of the diploma course in economics. Attention is in this connexion solicited to the resolution moved by the Hon'ble Mr. B. Venkatapati Raju at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 11th March 1919, urging the opening of a University Institute of Economics. On behalf of the Government it was pointed out that an institute of the kind already existed in a state of embryo and that it would be developed gradually—page 13 of G.O. No. 730, Home (Education), dated 12th June 1919. That the existing machinery for offering the requisite instruction in economics needs to be strengthened may therefore be taken as conceded.

4. Next, as regards the financial aspect of the matter, the Syndicate says "presumably the cost of these appointments will have to be met from the unallocated balances of the recurring grant from the Government of India." On the 31st March 1919, the unspent balance of this grant had accumulated to Rs. 3.68 lakhs and in fact this attracted the attention of the Government of India when the last annual statement of the transactions from this grant was submitted to them—page 3 of G.O. No. 988, Home (Education), dated 12th August 1919. The University on being asked what schemes they had for the expenditure of this amount mentioned the Tamil lexicon

	RS.
* Professor (at Rs. 15,000 a year) ...	75,000
Assistant professor (at Rs. 750 a month).	45,000
Two readers	16,800
	1,36,800

5. The case may be sent to the Director of Public Instruction for remarks.

T.K.—14-11-19.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—17-11-19.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

I recommend that the sanction of Government be given to the proposal of the Senate of the University.

The need for the development of the study of economics has been continually before the public and Government during the last few years and I hope that with this increased staff it will be possible to train men who will subsequently be able to take up positions as lecturers in colleges when a separate degree in economics is instituted. It is not possible at present to institute a separate degree since competent teachers of the subject are not yet available in this Presidency. The University is moving, I consider, in the right direction.

In addition to the accumulated balance of Rs. 3.68 lakhs the University is depending upon their recurring grant of Rs. 65,000 per annum—page 3 of G.O. No. 988, Home (Education), dated 12th August 1919. These sums are more than sufficient for meeting the cost of—

- (1) the professorship in Indian history and archæology,
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R. LITTLEHAILES-23-11-19.

HOME (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

A draft order is submitted. Subject to approval, a saving clause stating that the University should find the cost of the proposed appointments from its own funds has also been put in.

E.A.V.—29-11-19.

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C.R.—1-12-19.

The advertisement for the *assistant professor* postulates European qualifications and judging from the press there is considerable dissatisfaction as the *professor* is already so qualified. However, this does not arise in this file.

Draft for approval.

R.R.—2-12-19.

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Also:—

C. No. 2279/ B From the Reg. Univ. of No. 7587 dated 8. 11. 1919
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DEGREE IN ECONOMICS.

At the meeting of the Senate held on the 7th of March last the following resolution was passed:—
“That it be an instruction to the Syndicate to enquire into and report upon the institution of a Degree in Economics.” The Syndicate having referred the matter to the Board of Studies in History and Economics, the latter body at its meeting held on the 8th August last passed the following resolutions:—(1) that there exists a considerable desire for an extension of economic teaching under the University; (2) that the Economic diploma course was instituted to meet that desire; (3) that it considers that the diploma scheme cannot fulfil the purpose with which it was established unless an adequate permanent staff be appointed to carry on the work and (4) that the Board does not recommend the establishment of a separate Economic Degree. The Syndicate accordingly placed these resolutions before the meeting of the Senate with the intimation that the conclusions arrived at by the Board of Studies had been accepted by the Syndicate and that the Syndicate had under consideration the question of making permanent additions to the staff engaged in giving instruction to students admitted to the courses for the Diploma in Economics.

The cost involved is met from the funds at the disposal of the University.

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To the Regt. Univ. of Madras
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5. The case may be sent to the Director of Public Instruction for remarks.
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