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Order—No. 573, Law (Education), dated 22nd April 1925.

A provision of Rs. 10,000 has been made in the budget estimate for 1925-26 for grants to local bodies for the maintenance of public libraries. Local bodies having public libraries under their direct or indirect control are requested to submit applications to Government through the Director of Public Instruction showing

- (1) a statement of the charges involved ;
- (2) the amount spent out of the grant, if any, distributed in G.O. No. 350, Law (Education), dated 7th March 1924.
- (3) the amount of the unspent balance of the above grant, if any, at their disposal ;
- (4) the amount they are prepared to spend from their own funds ; and
- (5) the amount of grant required from the Government.

Private associations who have public libraries in their charge should submit their applications to the local bodies concerned who will scrutinize them and forward such as are deserving of support to the Government through the Director of Public Instruction with information similar to that required in the case of libraries under local bodies.

The applications should reach the Director of Public Instruction before the 15th July next.

2. With reference to G O. No. 1095, L. and M., dated 1st April 1925, communicated with Law (Education) Endorsement No. 1097 C-1, dated 4th April 1925, applications for grants to village libraries recommended by the Registrar-General of Panchayats should also be considered.

3. The Director of Public Instruction will tabulate all the applications received and submit them to Government in a consolidated form with his recommendations.

4. The applications received by the Government direct are forwarded to the Director of Public Instruction for consideration along with the other applications that he may receive.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Education)

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chairmen of all Municipal Councils.
,, the Presidents of all District Boards.
,, the Presidents of all Taluk Boards.
,, all Collectors.
,, the Director of Public Instruction.
,, the Registrar-General of Panchayats.
,, the Local Self-Government Department.

Part II of the Budget Estimate for 1924-1925.

Public libraries-Provision for grants.

In pursuance of a resolution moved in the Legislative Council in February 1920 a provision of Rs. 20,000 was made in the Budget Estimate for 1920-21 for grants for public libraries and the Government issued a Press communique announcing their intention to utilise the amount in aiding local bodies to establish or maintain public libraries under their direct or indirect control. The applications of local bodies for grants were received and considered in 1920-21, but it was not possible to distribute the amount in that year. The provision was ~~therefore~~ repeated in the next year and the subsidies were distributed early in 1921-22.

2. No provision for this object was entered in the budget for 1922-23, but in the course of the budget debate held in March 1922 one of the non-official members drew the attention of the Council to the absence of provision for this object. The Hon'ble the Minister then stated that no provision could be made in that year on account of financial stringency and that he would, if possible, find funds by re-appropriation in the course of the year. It was, however, not possible to make any such re-appropriation and a provision of Rs.15,000 was, therefore, asked for and obtained in the current year's budget.

3. In G.O.No.586, dated 1-5-23, local bodies and private associations have been informed of

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4. In view of the importance attached to the matter by non-officials it seems desirable to make a provision in the next year's Budget Estimate for grants for libraries. ^{Having regard to} ~~the~~ the numerous applications ^{that are being} received, the provision of Rs.15,000 seems to be too small. A provision of Rs.20,000 may be made under "31 E(b) iv-Education-General-Miscellaneous" in the next year's Budget Estimate for grants for libraries. ^{This Dept. has not} accepted the Researchment Committee's recommendation that expenditure on libraries should cease.

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2 The course of allotment for these grants was as follows:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Premium</u> Rs	<u>Remarks</u>
1920-21	20,000	Lapsed.
1921-22	20,000	Distributed in eqo. (B) 719 ad. d. 3. 5. 1921.
1922-23	Lil.	
1923-24	15,000. (T)	Applications have been invited in go 5868d d. 1-5-23. No actual disbursement has been made.

3. The Pether Chamber Committee recommended that the expenditure under this head should cease until the revenue and expenditure of the Province have reached an equilibrium. It has been ascertained from the Law Dept that no decision has been arrived at on this recommendation, but that H. Z. and H. E. are for the continuance of this expenditure and G. against.

4 If it is decided to continue the expenditure

next year expenditure, it should, as already noted, be placed before the Finance Committee. The Law Dept suggest a lump provision of Rs. 20,000 without any details as to how it was arrived at. These details can easily be worked out from the applications received in the Law Dept. which will have to be taken over to 1924-25. It ~~is~~ ^{is} desirable to ~~place~~ ^{furnish} the Finance Committee with information in the following form to enable them to come to a decision as to the amount required in 1924-25.

- (1) Total number of applications ^{received} and the amount required to meet them in full.
- (2) The share which the Govt propose to bear; the applications that will be dispensed of and the amount that will be disbursed in the current year.
- (3) The number of applications that will remain undisposed of and the amount required in 1924-25 to meet them on the basis of the Provincial share adopted in 1923-24.
- (4) ~~The amount that the Law Dept propose for 1924-25.~~

with reference to para 3 in p. 3 anti law may ask Law Dept. to await a decision before they proceed further with this case.
L. 22/10/23 Law
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may lie over till a decision is reached on the question of the continuance of grants for public libraries.

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CA 30/10/23

Very well. But I presume that then no objection will be raised on the ground the appln was not made before 1 Nov. 2. Secondly it is important to forward applications as early as Oct 1923 for expenditure in 1924-25. The procedure adopted is that, after the budget provision is known, local bodies invite applications. No private library can well say in Aug 1923 what it can spend in 24-25.

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The linked file deals with the question of the budget provision for 1924-25.

with reference to para 3 in p. 3 anti law may ask Law Dept. to await a decision before they proceed further with this case.

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Grant - Victoria Reading room,
Nandyal.

Grants for libraries are
given in Law (Edn) to whom the
Collr's letter may be transferred as
(The Nandyal Muni. Council's
application, if it has sent any,
has not been received in this dept.)

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See
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See 8.10.23
Law (Edn) dept

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Law (Edn) dept

The collector's letter with its
enclosures may be forwarded
to the D.D. Draft submitted.

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Retrenchment Committee's Recommendation

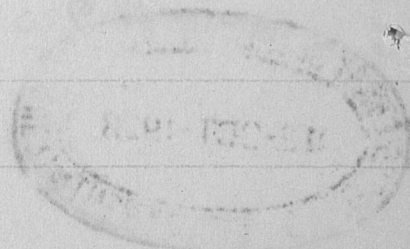
(8) GRANTS TO LOCAL BODIES FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

The Committee consider that expenditure under this head should cease until the revenue and expenditure of the Province have reached equilibrium.

Director's remarks

(8) Grants to Local bodies for Public Libraries.-

I agree that expenditure in the shape of subsidies to local bodies for public libraries might cease until the financial position of the presidency is better than it is.



Office note

The necessity for the distribution of grants towards the development of public libraries in the presidency has been urged on several occasions. At the All-India Libraries Conference held at Madras in 1919 H.E the Governor observed that through the agency of the Publicity Board the extension of the Library scheme might be achieved, which would be fully desirable for every district and for all parts of the presidency. The -- Publicity Officer who was then consulted in the matter outlined a scheme for starting libraries in villages with a population of between 2,000 and 5,000 which was expected to cost Rs.3 or 4 lakhs, non-recurring, and Rs.1½ or two lakhs recurring. The D.P.I to whom the scheme was referred for remarks expressed the opinion that Govt. should not directly aid the establishment of public libraries of the type contemplated in the scheme, but that these libraries should be established and maintained by local bodies. He also recommended that Govt. might grant subsidies to local bodies towards the cost of maintenance of libraries under their control as well as towards aiding libraries under the control of private and reliable agencies.

2. About the same time a non-official member moved a resolution in the local Legislative Council suggesting the provision of a sum of Rs.20,000 in the budget for 1920-21 for the purpose of encouraging public libraries. The Govt. accepted the resolution, and issued a press communique announcing their intention to utilise the amount provided, in aiding local bodies to establish or maintain public libraries under their direct or indirect control.

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to Govt. 723
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to Govt. (A)

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Govt. (A)

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The applications of the local bodies for the distribution of the provision were received and considered in 1920-21, but it was not possible to distribute the subsidy before the close of that year. Accordingly the provision was repeated in the next year and the subsidies were distributed early in 1921-22.

2. No provision for this object was entered in the budget for 1922-23, but in the course of the the budget debate held in March 1922 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ one of the non-official members drew the attention of the Council to the absence of provision for this object. The Hon. the Minister then stated that no provision could be made in that year on account of financial stringency and that he would, if possible, find funds by re-appropriation in the course of the year. It was, however, not possible to make any such re-appropriation and a provision of Rs. 15,000 was therefore asked for and obtained in the current year's budget.

3. In G.O. No. 586, dated the 1st May 1923, local bodies and private associations ^{have been} ~~were~~ informed of the above provision and asked to send up their applications for grants for libraries to the D.P.I. for scrutiny and for transmission to Govt. ^{does not seem} ~~it seems~~ desirable to drop the scheme for the distribution of grants in the current year at this stage. Libraries are a recognised means of diffusing knowledge to the public and aid towards the maintenance of libraries would seem to be a legitimate charge on State funds. In view of the importance attached to the matter by non-officials it may not be advisable to stop the expenditure on this object. Grants are not given

for the maintenance of libraries. The grants are for non-recurring objects of expenditure.

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3.5.21 (F)

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Govt No 664
1.6.22 (O)

(G)

There is no definite commitment to provide for this object every year. The provision depends upon the state of finances. It is however observed that the Council is rather keen about some provision for this purpose. Strictly speaking this is not a fit case for a permanent suggestion.

Various

There is a good deal of ignorance on the new methods of educational activities now recognised as indispensably necessary in other countries in experience. It is found that the compulsory education which can possibly be imparted is of no good unless steps are taken to provide facilities for popular readings. And it has been recognised that libraries are the chief agents in keeping literacy alive. Libraries therefore should be as much an integral part of mass education as compulsory education is.

2. In the low state of finances, a moderate demand will suffice. It will enable us to determine the correct lines on which libraries should be established at this present time.

I propose therefore to make a demand of Rs 20,000 in the ensuing budget.

True & up

11/10/23

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Law Edu no 3778 B-1
11-10-21



note sent to Finance
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The recommendation of the Committee is to not altogether to abolish the grant for ~~ever~~, but only to suspend the subsidy till the provincial finances attain a state of equilibrium.

2. Law Sec. in para. 2 of his note on p. 4 ante, states that he proposes to ask for only Rs. 20,000 in the present low state of finances. This figure is in no way a moderate one in view of the provision of Rs. 16,000 ^{entirely} ~~provided~~ for in the B.E. for 1923-24. ~~It is~~

3. It ~~is~~ is supposed that the provision may be omitted from the budget in the coming year, if it is too late to do so in the current year. Of members of the Council for a provision for the purpose, then the question may be considered.

4. The case may, it is ~~referred~~ be circulated to C. by Law.

JLR
12.10.23

The SPI agree to suspend their subsidies till the financial condition improves. But Law proposes to raise Budget provision from Rs. 15,000 this year to Rs. 20,000 next year. Then libraries cannot possibly be regarded

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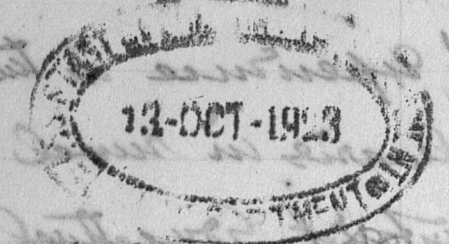
A/ as necessities, it seems unnecessary to subsidize them next year.
Mean circulation to C.

12/10/23

N.S. Sec. 138.1.1
12.10.23

Law

Law (EDN)



L. Sec. 138.1.1

L. Sec. 3825B
19/10/23

In order as to circulation.

Ed. have all along regarded the libraries as "necessities". & Finance has till now acquiesced in the view.

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13.10.23

See A above. Of course Finance may say "no funds". But I submit that from an educational point of view libraries are necessities; even more than schools. There is overwhelming authority in favour of my position.

15/10/23

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C1

I suggest further
I am afraid there is great deal of misapprehension in the matter - The Dy. Council has been pressing for this grant & right also - The grant to

Libraries is a grant to Educational
improvement of the County -

It will be interesting to know the members
of the Retrenchment Committee that caused
the cut. I find no reasons advanced -

The Retrenchment Committee ^(Finance) allowed

nothing in the ~~disbursement~~ I could
appeal to the members' experience in the
growing demand for libraries in rural
areas. They have a distinct educational
value in rural areas - one who is in touch
with rural life can vouchsafe for it.

It is essential that this grant should
continue & be increased to Rs 20000/-

The Lt. Council will certainly raise this
again.

13/10/23

I would request circulation to H.E. the
Governor.

2. The Retrenchment Committee divided
the expansion of education into the less and more
essential branches, and they were of opinion that,
if continuing large increases of expenditure ~~is~~ ^{is}
to occur in this Department as it has been occurring
in the past, the increase in the last year being
Rs. 17 lakhs, they thought it desirable that the
expenditure should be concentrated on the more
essential items and that the less essential should
be ~~concentrated~~ retrenched in order to make pro-
vision for this expansion.

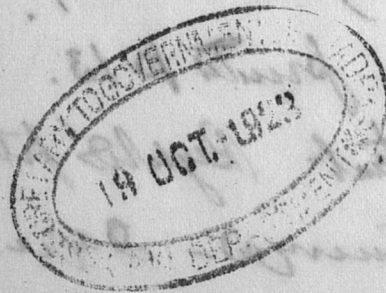
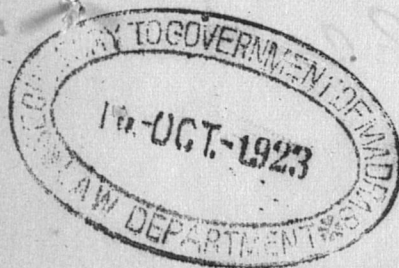
3. I think it will be clear from the notes
themselves that the expenditure on Libraries is
much less essential than that upon, say, primary
education. I visited one of these Libraries
recently to gauge the amount of good that was being
done and found that the only book with any large
circulation was a translation of one of Reynolds's
obscenities. I feel that my Hon'ble Colleague
will agree that it is better to teach little boys
and girls the three R's than to provide the
'Mysteries of the Court of Europe' for circulation
among the villagers.

15.10.23

Submitted

16/10/23

Hg. If it be true as my hon. coll. C. suggests,
that the volumes in these libraries were all made
use of a 'curious' character, then let us shut
them down. But I do feel that this expenditure
if properly organised shd. be very useful.
Could we ask District Officers in places where
these libraries are running what their opinion
is on the matter? 16.10.23



Law (Education) Department

Grants for public libraries have till now been disbursed only once and that in 1921. The grants were disbursed in that year through local bodies and as such, those bodies were expected to exercise the necessary supervision over the purchase of books for the libraries. It is not known whether the library referred to in C's note is one for which a grant was given by Government. In the current and future years when grants are sanctioned by Government it may perhaps be ruled that District Educational Officers should inspect the libraries periodically and recommend stoppage of grants if books of an objectionable character are found in them. The list of books to be purchased with the aid of the Government grant may also be approved by the D.E.O or the D.P.I, if necessary.

2. The file may be circulated to M₃ & C₁.

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22.10.23.

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22.10.23
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M₃

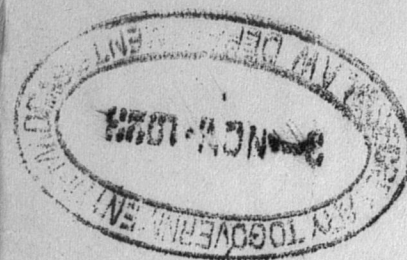
C₁

into these safeguards we may

Avoid the undesirable class
of books referred to by the Hon. C.
I find in A's report p.13.
The Hon. C. held that Regulars' pith
ought not to be removed - I agree
but the restrictions & Central no
laid down will safeguard the end
suggested by the Hon. C.

24/10/23

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C₁ No 723 (A)
23.6.20



I am grateful to my Hon'ble Colleague for pointing out that the evil which I anticipated in 1920 is identical with the one which I found being propagated in 1923.

2. What I would ask his consent to, however is, not only the placing of grants to libraries under proper control as I originally proposed, but in addition the acceptance of the proposition that grants for libraries are one of the less essential aspects of the spread of education and should not have priority over, for instance, the expansion of elementary education.

2.11.23
Submitted
3/11/23

M₃

I am thankful to the Hon. C.
for accepting the grant.

The grant will be placed
under proper control -
certainly, elements of
occupy foremost place
but libraries cannot be
neglected -

may be circulated to C₁. The proposed
form distribution of the provision in
the current year's Budget estimate
for grants to libraries have not yet been
received

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received. When they are received and
orders issue, the conditions at 'A'
p. 9 ante will be incorporated
in the draft.

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C
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my
9/11/23

I have not accepted the grant
which may be included in
the general note on grant
for the Finance Committee

S. 11-2
Submitted
10/11/23

My
Bap included in the budget
this file may be go in
as other cases in Part I of budget
which will go to Finance
Committee in the usual course.

8/11/23



x dealt with in
linked file.

C's note above refers to the provision of
Rs. 20,000 for grants for libraries asked for next
year. The grant will be included in the general
note as directed by him. M₂ wants it to be included in Part I.
V. H. E. has considered this as a useful expenditure.
2. As regards the current year, proposals for

8 The D.P.I. is being
reminded separately
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Regn preling the
General note
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for distribution of the provision of Rs. 15,000
are still awaited from the D.P.I. When they are
received and orders are issued thereon, the
conditions at 'A' on p. 9 ante will be imposed.

fin. Deptt.

Extract of proceedings of the Finance Committee
at their 15th meeting on 29-1-24.

The Committee were of the opinion that no
provision should be made in 1924-25.

Prtd
2-2-24.

Law (Edn.)

Law (Edn) Deptt

The Finance Committee do not recommend
any provision for grants to public libraries
in the next year's budget. The file may
be circulated to the Hon'ble the Minister.

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This is und stand way
Recommendations indeed!!
I will do cur The Quarter
in The Cabinet - 2/2/24

The recommendations means

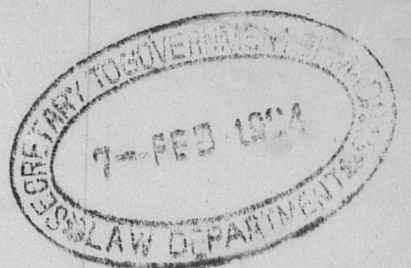
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no more than that, in view of
past experience, the Committee
regard grants to libraries as one
of the ten essential methods
of spreading education

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No provision was made in
the current year's budget for grants to
public libraries. ~~the same was not~~
~~the same was not~~ For order whether
the question of a grant to libraries in
1925-26 and budget provision therefor
should now be taken up or whether the
papers may be recorded.

2 In view of Sir Charles
Toller's explanation above of the
Ret. Committee's recommendation extracted
at p. 12 last, no specific order on the
recommendation itself ^{is} necessary.

14-8-24

15-8-24

V.T.K.
25.6

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Provision of the libraries is
essential - libraries are
valuable adjuncts to educational
activities in the town &
rural parts - a provision
as in previous years may
be included in the
budget - 8/8/24



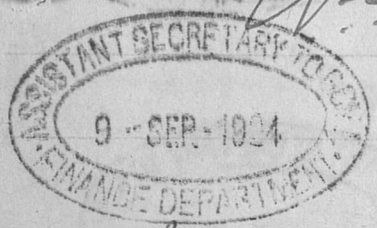
A provision of Rs. 20,000 for
grants to libraries may be made in
the budget estimate for 1925-26.
The file may be forwarded to the
Finance Dept. for ^{approval} ~~acceptance~~ to the
proposal being placed ~~as~~ before the
Finance Committee as a part II
scheme for 1925-26.

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Finance (Exp.)

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Finance need not object
to the proposal being placed before
the Finance Committee as a Part II
scheme for 1925-26.

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16-9-24

The grant was not made last year as a measure of economy in view of the state of the Provincial finances. Law is informed that Provincial finances are in a worse condition during the present year.

2. The provision in 1923-24 was Rs.15,000. In view of the financial position as described in para 1 it is suggested to Law that they should not press for more than Rs.10,000 in 1925-26.

3. On this basis a note may be prepared for the Committee.



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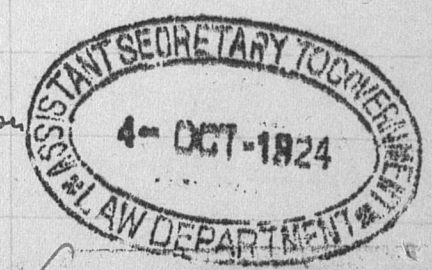
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Law.

Law (encl) Dept.

A draft note for the Finance Committee is submitted for approval. It may be sent to the Finance Dept. for incorporation of their note therein.

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2-10-24



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Note by the Finance Department

Finance (B.E.I.)

"The proposal may be placed before the Finance Committee"

Encl 3-10-24

And 3/x

Fin. Cl. 14

Law Encl 200

Maybe circulated to the Hon. the Minister of the Hon. the Finance Members for approval.

L. En 2623C
4/11/24

A 4.10.24 VTK 7.10

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The provision made for 23-24 was Rs 15000/-

Finance Dept advise Rs 10000 for 25-26. In the circumstances may be accepted without for the year as an exception though we require Rs 20000/- under this head



Note kept to Finance 10/10

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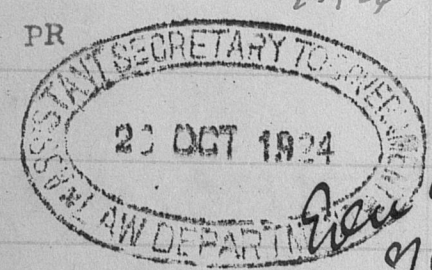
Finance Department.

Extratt of proceedings of the Finance Committee at their fifth meeting 1924-25, dated 17-10-24.

The Committee placed the scheme in class II.

Very urgent/ necessary

L. En 2800C 20/11/24



Law.

Now a draft of last year is cleared and II - Submitted. I shall press this before Calcutta



A 22.10.24 VTK 23.10

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ended until

Note for the Finance Committee.

Subsidies to local bodies for the development of Public Libraries.

Note by the Law (Education) Dept.

In pursuance of a resolution moved at a meeting of the Legislative Council in February 1920, a provision of Rs. 20,000 was made in the budget estimate for 1920-21 for grants to public libraries, and the Government issued a Press Communique announcing their intention to utilize the amount in aiding local bodies to establish or maintain public libraries under their direct or indirect control. The applications of local bodies were received and considered, but it was not possible to distribute the amount within 1920-21. The provision was, therefore, repeated in the next year's budget, and the grant was distributed early in 1921-22.

2. No allotment was made for this object in the budget for 1922-23 on account of financial stringency. In the course of the budget debate held in March 1922, a non-official member of the Legislative Council drew the attention of Government to the absence of provision for public libraries. It was then explained that no provision could be made in that year for want of funds but that efforts would be made to secure funds for this object, if possible, by re-appropriation in the course of the year. It was not, however, possible to make any such re-appropriation. A provision of Rs. 15,000/- was made in the budget for 1923-24, for grants to libraries and the amount was distributed in March 1924.

3. The Retrenchment Committee recommended the expenditure under this head should cease until

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for 719 Law/EDM 3.5.21. (F)

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the revenue and expenditure of the province reached equilibrium. In view of the importance of developing public libraries as a means of diffusing knowledge, it was considered by this Department that this recommendation should not be given effect to and that a provision of Rs.20,000 should be made in the budget for 1924-25. The Finance Committee did not recommend the acceptance of the proposal made by this Department and no provision was made in the current year's budget.

4. The usefulness of public libraries in keeping literacy alive in towns and villages has been recognised. The grants are to be given for the purchase of books and for equipment and not for expenditure on such objects as buildings. In order that books of an objectionable character may not be purchased with the aid of the Government grant, it has been laid down that indents for books should be approved by the District Educational Officer concerned, and that Collectors should periodically inspect the libraries which receive Government grants and recommend stoppage of grants if books of an objectionable character are found in them. With these safeguards, it is expected that the Government grants will be utilized to the best advantage. It is recommended that a provision of at least Rs. 10,000 may be made for the purpose in the budget for 1925-26.

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Note by the Finance Department.

The proposal may be placed before the Finance Committee.

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Law (Education) Department

A provision of Rs. 10,000 has been entered in the budget for grants to public libraries. The D.P.I. may be asked to submit proposals for the distribution of the amount. A draft order is submitted.

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No. 513, dated 22-6- 1925.

A provision of Rs.10,000 has been made in the budget estimate for 1925-26 for grants to local bodies for the maintenance of public libraries. Local bodies having public libraries under their direct or indirect control are requested to submit applications to Government through the Director of Public Instruction showing

- (1) a statement of the charges involved;
- (2) the amount spent out of the grant, if any, distributed in G.O.No.350 Law (Education), dated 7th March '21;
- (3) the amount of the unspent balance of the above grant, if any, at their disposal;
- (4) the amount they are prepared to ^{Spend} ~~open~~ from their own funds; and
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