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primary schools.

For letter Requesting sanction for provincializing the
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READ—again the following papers:—

G.O., Nos. 321-A/a, 321-A, Educational, dated 31st July 1900.

G.O., No. 416, Educational, dated 3rd September 1900.

ORDER—No. 72, Educational, dated 12th February 1901.

The following letter will be despatched to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

M. HAMMICK,

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction,
Financial Department.

LETTER—No. 73, Educational, dated Fort St. George, 12th February 1901, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.

In continuation of my letter No. 321-A, dated 31st July 1900, I am directed to address you on the subject of provincializing the agency of supervisors of primary schools.

2. As explained in paragraph 2 of the above letter, these supervisors play a very important part in the development of primary education although no inspection work properly so termed is entrusted to them. Their chief duties consist in the development of elementary schools, the bringing of indigenous schools under departmental supervision and the organizing of new primary schools. At present they are, with three exceptions, paid from local funds, and consequently in many cases men of inferior qualifications and attainments are employed, while the few persons of ability who are to be found amongst them have to remain content on a low rate of salary with no prospect of promotion. This system affords no stimulus to good work, and the men gradually lose heart, become indifferent and in some cases probably corrupt. At the same time the members of the provincial inspecting staff, under whom they work and who have largely to depend on them for an efficient discharge of their own duties, are unable to exercise proper control or to maintain proper discipline among them. To improve this unsatisfactory state of things, and to effect a reform in the condition of the agency, the Governor in Council has for a long time past been desirous of provincializing it—a step which appears to have been contemplated by the Education Commission. I am to draw attention to the remarks of the Government of India on the last quinquennial review of education in India, which seem to show that, in the opinion of the Governor-General in Council, some decided and energetic action is imperatively necessary in regard to the improvement of primary education in which these supervisors form such an important agency. The immediate result of provincializing the class of supervisors of primary schools will be that the department will be able to secure better men because the provincial service is more popular than the local and because men entering the department in this branch will know that good service may give them advancement to the grade of sub-assistant inspectors.

3. These supervisors are of course now paid from local funds, and the question was considered whether, in taking them over, the Government should not recover from the local boards a contribution equal in amount to the expenditure involved. The great majority of the boards were, however, much opposed to such an arrangement, and His Excellency the Governor in Council agrees in the reasonableness of the view taken by most of them that the control should rest with the agency on which the cost of the establishment falls. He is, therefore, of opinion that, when the local boards are divested of their control over these men, they should also be relieved of financial responsibility for them. This, however, does not mean that in future a smaller sum will be devoted by local boards towards the diffusion of primary education than has hitherto been the case.

4. At present there are 202 officers of this class on salaries ranging from Rs. 20

20 on Rs. 40 each	..	..	..	RS.	800	to Rs. 50 per mensem, their aggregate pay amounting to Rs. 5,952-14-3. It is proposed to grade them in four classes as shown in the margin and to give a personal allowance of Rs. 10 to one of them. The total annual cost will thus be Rupees 72,720. In addition to this, travelling allowance and contingencies to the extent of Rs. 24,360 and Rs. 7,272, respectively,
40 " " 35 "	..	..	..	1,400		
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82 " " 25 "	..	..	..	2,050		
Personal allowance	..	..	..	10		
Total	..	..	..	6,060		

will have to be met. Deducting the provision for the existing provincial supervisors, a lump sum of Rs. 1,03,000 will thus be required, and this amount has been provided in the civil budget estimates for 1901-1902.

5. While, however, relieving local boards of the cost of the above establishment, it is not intended to permit them to spend the money now devoted to these purposes on the general wants of their districts. The Government intends to insist on each board spending a sum equivalent to that hitherto spent on these supervisors on the furtherance of primary education. In this connection it will be seen from the statement on page 26 of the last report on public instruction that there is ample scope for a larger expenditure from these funds, which are at present quite unable to fulfil the promises of grant held out by the grant-in-aid code, and, besides increasing the grant given to primary schools there is much scope for the profitable expenditure of more money in starting and maintaining primary schools for backward classes and in backward districts. There is also great need for the provision of larger grants towards the maintenance of sessional schools which aid in training schoolmasters of primary schools. In these and in many other ways local boards will find no difficulty in advantageously spending the whole of the grants now made for the maintenance of the establishment of supervisors of schools, and if the present proposals are sanctioned they will be required at once to make proposals through the Director of Public Instruction towards this end. I am therefore to request that His Excellency the Governor-General in Council will be pleased to sanction the proposals for the provincialization of the agency of supervisors of primary schools as exhibited in the accompanying proposition statement.

6. I am to say that the very early concurrence of the Government of India in the present proposal is necessary, if funds are to be provided in the coming year.

M. HAMMICK,

Ag. Secretary to Government.

Very Urgent

For the L.S.

In continuation of the confidential C.O. reference no 52 dated the 26th February 1901 to the Educational Department in regard to the budget allotment for provincializing the Agency of inspecting schoolmasters, it is submitted that that department may be informed that it was decided in Council to-day that the administrative department should ^{at once} ~~urge~~ ^{administer} on the Government of India the necessity for the retention of the provision on this account in the estimates for 1901-2.

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Have sent it back to the
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A draft letter was sent to the Secretary yesterday, before Council met.

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Financial Department

For the C. S.

It is submitted that the Educational Department may be requested to communicate to the Financial Department copy of ~~its~~ the letter it proposes to send to the Government of India in regard to the provincialization of the Agency of inspecting Schoolmasters and the Educational budget grants for 1901-2 in general.

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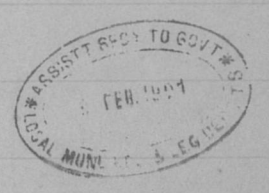
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