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Stores.

Directing the Director of Public Instruction and the Superintendent, Government Museum, to forward to the Accountant-General the returns of expenditure on — by the date fixed.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

G.O., No. 515, Financial, dated 9th August 1904.

Read—again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 190, Financial, dated 31st January 1883.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to the Departments of the Secretariat, etc., resolution of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, prescribing revised rules regarding the supply of articles of European manufacture required for the public service in India, and the preparation and submission of annual estimates of stores required from England and of annual returns of expenditure on stores.

G.O., No. 631, Financial, dated 15th June 1892.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Accountant-General to arrange for the submission to Government of the annual return of expenditure on stores not later than the 20th August in each year.

G.O., No. 459, Financial, dated 23rd May 1901.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to the Accountant-General, for the necessary action, resolution of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, prescribing a revised form for the preparation of the annual return of expenditure on stores purchased in India.

G.O., No. 1027, Financial, dated 16th November 1901.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to the Accountant-General letter from the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, issuing instructions for the preparation of the annual return of expenditure on stores.

G.O., No. 82, Financial, dated 25th January 1902.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to the Accountant-General letter from the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, altering the forms for the preparation of the annual statement of expenditure on stores purchased in India.

Read—also Endorsement of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, forwarding a copy of the following resolution, No. 4414-S.R. (Accounts and Finance—Stores), dated Simla, the 15th July 1904, to all local Governments and Administrations, to all Departments of the Government of India and to the Heads of departments subordinate to that Department.

In paragraph 24 of the resolution in this Department, No. 185, dated the 10th January 1883, all local Governments and Administrations, all Departments of the Government of India and Heads of departments subordinate to this Department were requested to submit by the 31st of August in each year annual returns of expenditure on stores purchased in India. In 1892 the Secretary of State for India noticed the delay in the transmission to him of these returns and desired that they might be expedited as far as possible in future. A resolution was then issued in this Department (No. 1993, dated the 12th May 1892) in which the local Governments and Departments concerned were asked to take steps to ensure that the returns reached this Department not later than the 31st of August each year. But these orders have not had the desired effect, and there has been great delay in the transmission of the returns to the India Office.

2. The Secretary of State for India has again, in his despatch No. 180 (Financial), dated the 16th October 1903 (copy enclosed), noticed the great delay in the transmission of these returns to him. The Government of India observe that out of 68 returns for the year 1901-1902, which were forwarded to the Secretary of State in July 1903, only 18 had been received on or before the prescribed date, while some were not received till March 1903. The Governor-General in Council therefore directs that the attention of the local Governments and Departments concerned be again invited to the previous orders on the subject, and that steps be taken to ensure that the returns reach this Department not later than the 31st of August each year in future.

3. His Excellency in Council also hopes that the observations made by the Secretary of State for India in his despatch of the 16th October 1903, about the policy of Government in regard to the purchase of stores, will be borne in mind. As desired by the Secretary of State for India, the purchase in India of articles of European manufacture should be limited to the cases specified in the despatch. A full explanation of the circumstances in which any departure from this policy was considered necessary in any particular case should be given in column 7 of the prescribed form. Great care should also be exercised that these returns do not contain any statements regarding the purchase of material and stores produced in India, which are not in exact accordance with facts. If it is stated that an article is produced in India, the district in which it is produced, and, if possible, the name of the factory should be given.

4. The Government of India at the same time desire that in future the column headed "Stores obtained from Government factories" should be confined to stores obtained from factories outside the Department submitting the return. For example, the stores manufactured in the Telegraph workshops should not be included in the returns for the Telegraph Department.

ENCLOSURE.

DESPATCH from His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 16th October 1903, No. 180 (Financial).

In your letter of the 16th of July, No. 206, you furnish information regarding the expenditure on stores purchased in India in 1901-1902.

2. Having examined the statements forwarded by you, I am not satisfied that the general policy which has been recognised as applicable to the purchase of stores has been carried out as completely as is to be desired. That policy, for the furtherance of which the annual returns

have been required by my predecessors, is that, as far as possible, the purchase of stores of local manufacture should be encouraged, but that stores which are manufactured outside India should be procured through the Stores department of this office, except when the stores are perishable, or local purchase is more economical, or when (through the non-arrival of stores ordered from England or for other urgent reasons) it is considered necessary to depart from the usual practice in order to avoid inconvenience to the public service. The information furnished in your letter under reply does not point to any progress in the desired direction. I shall have an opportunity of considering the matter further on the return to this country of the Director-General of Stores, who is now on deputation to India. But it is clear that the results might be more satisfactory if the annual returns were prepared on a better system and submitted to me at an earlier date. The statements furnished in your letter under reply are compiled in diverse forms and have reached me more than sixteen months after the close of the official year to which they relate. Little good can be done by criticising statements of the kind at a time when it is probable that many of the officers responsible for the expenditure under consideration may have been transferred to other appointments. I request that in future the returns may be submitted to me as soon as possible after the close of each year.

Order—No. 515, Financial, dated 9th August 1904.

Recorded.

2. The Accountant-General will be requested to submit the annual return of expenditure on stores so as to reach the Government not later than the 15th of August, instead of on the 20th August as prescribed by G.O., No. 631, Financial, dated the 15th June 1892.

(True Extract.)

M. HAMMICK,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.

" Superintendent of Stationery.

Copy to all departments of the Secretariat [except
Pension and Legislative].

ORDER—No. 600, Educational, dated 28th September 1904.

In the resolution of the Government of India printed in G.O., No. 190, Financial, dated 31st January 1883, rules were prescribed for the supply of articles of European manufacture required for the public service in India and instructions issued for the preparation of annual returns of expenditure on stores. These returns are prepared by the Accountant-General from information furnished by heads of departments. The 20th of August in each year has been fixed for their submission to the Local Government and the 31st of August for their submission to the Government of India; but these dates have seldom been adhered to. The Accountant-General has now been requested to submit the returns by the 15th August. The Director of Public Instruction and the Superintendent of the Government Museum, will therefore be directed to see that no delay occurs in forwarding their returns to that officer by the date fixed.

2. It appears also that the general policy regulating the purchase of stores has not been carried out as completely as could be desired. That policy, while recognizing that, as far as possible, the purchase of stores of local manufacture should be encouraged, requires that stores which are manufactured outside India should be procured through the Stores department of the India Office, except when the stores are perishable, or local purchase is more economical, or when (through the non-arrival of

stores ordered from England or for other emergent reasons) it is considered necessary to depart from the usual practice in order to avoid inconvenience to the public service. Where any departure from this policy may be considered necessary in any particular case a full explanation of the circumstances should be given in the returns furnished to the Accountant-General. Great care should also be exercised that these returns do not contain any statements regarding the purchase of material and stores produced in India which are not in exact accordance with facts. If it is stated that an article is produced in India, the district in which it is produced, and, if possible, the name of the factory, should be given. Stores described as "Stores obtained from Government factories" should be confined to stores obtained from factories outside the Department submitting the return.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

" Superintendent, Government Museum.

" Accountant-General.

Ed. P. Parthasarathy.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 600, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 28TH SEPTEMBER 1904.

[SUBJECT.—*Return of Expenditure on Stores.*]

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From the Government of India, No. 4414, S.R., dated 15th July 1904.

Revenue.
Public Works.
Public.
Judicial.

Educational.
Local and Municipal.
Marine.

A copy of India's letter may go (u.o.) to the marginally noted Departments in advance of the order thereon.

C. M. SCHMIDT—30-7-04.

Yes.

M. HAMMICK—30-7-04.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Please note what returns of stores are due from Educational in each year.

H. D. TAILOR—2-8-04.

Submitted that no return of stores is forwarded to the Government of India from this Department.

RAMAN UMNI NAYAR—6-8-04.

It has been ascertained from Financial that the advance copy has been circulated simply for information as paragraph 3 of the Government of India resolution affects all Departments. Return of expenditure on stores is submitted by the Accountant-General to Financial—*vide* item marked on page 8 of G.O., No. 123, Financial, dated 12th February 1902.

The file may lie over till the Financial order is received.

P. T. THARYAN—6-8-04.

A. GALLETTI—8-8-04.

From the Financial Department, No. 515, dated 9th August 1904.

The Financial order has been received. It is submitted that it may be communicated to the Director of Public Instruction and the Superintendent, Government Museum, with reference to paragraph 3 of the letter from the Government of India read in it. Please see draft endorsement put up below.

N. LAKSHMANA RAO—19-9-04.

P.T.T.—20-9-04.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Better put up a separate draft calling attention to orders and the necessity for avoiding delays and referring to paragraph 2 of the order in Financial.

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

A.G.—26-9-04.

G. S. F[ORBES]—27-9-04.

H.D.T.—28-9-04.

[G.O., No. 600, Educational, dated 28th September 1904.]

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± exp. no 631 Final d/ 15-6-92. B.

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page 6 of pgs. 40 1907 ind d 131-1-82. A.

In the resolution of the Govt of India printed in G.O. No 190 Finl dt 31st January 1883 rules were prescribed for the supply of articles of European manufacture required for the public service in India and instructions issued for the preparation of annual returns of expenditure on stores. These returns are* prepared by the Accountant General from information furnished by* ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~several~~ ^{the} ~~Departts~~ ^{Local Govts} but though the 20th of August in each year has been fixed for their submission ^{to} by the ~~Accountant General~~ ^{Local Govts} and the 31st of August for their submission ^{but} to the Govt of India, the dates have seldom

been adhered to. The Accountant General has now been requested to submit ^{returns} them by the 15th August. The Director of Public Instruction and the Superintendent of the Govt Museum, will therefore be directed to see that no delay occurs in future in forwarding their returns to that office ~~before the date fixed~~ by the date fixed, by him in that behalf.

2. It appears also that the general policy, which ^{is} ~~has been~~ recognized as applicable to the purchase of stores has not been carried out as completely as it ^{could} be desired. That policy, for the furtherance of which the annual returns have been ^{the} ~~required~~ ^{while recognizing} ~~is~~ that, as far as possible, the purchase of stores of local manufacture should be encouraged, ^{requires} ~~but~~ that stores which are manufactured outside India should be procured through the Stores Department of the India Office, except when the stores are perishable, or local purchase is more economical, or when (through the non-arrival of stores ordered from England or for other ^{emergent} urgent reasons) it is considered necessary to depart from the usual practice in order to avoid inconvenience to the public service. In the purchase of stores the Director and the Superintendent Govt Museum will bear

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