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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers:—

From H. H. RISLEY, Esq., C.S.I., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Education), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Department, No. 59, dated Calcutta, 24th January 1905.

I am directed to invite your attention to the Home Department letter No. 466, dated the 6th November 1901, with which was forwarded a copy of the resolutions passed by the Educational Conference held at Simla in September 1901. In their resolution No. 5 (Collegiate Education) the Conference observed "that among the most profitable forms of expenditure upon the development of University education, may be recommended the provision of residences for Lecturers and Professors in close proximity to the colleges."

2. The question of the provision of quarters for Principals and Professors of colleges has recently been further considered by the Government of India. Certain local Governments have recommended the grant of free-quarters or of house-rent to Principals and Professors residing in or near the colleges to which they are attached. It appears that the majority of such officers in Government Arts Colleges are expected to provide their own house accommodation, but that there is a small minority who live in houses belonging to Government. Where the Government is the owner of the house it usually permits the occupant to live rent-free. But there are exceptions to this rule in the case of some of the Principals of Government Arts Colleges who occupy houses provided by Government but pay rent for them. In the cases in which the occupation of Government houses rent-free has been permitted, it does not appear that any general principle has been laid down or followed, but the practice seems in each case to conform to a long standing custom, the origin of which cannot now be ascertained. In 1890, in correspondence with the Secretary of State upon the subject, the Government of India proposed not to withdraw without good reason the privilege of free-quarters from those officers who were in enjoyment of it, but they decided that it should not be extended without reference to the Secretary of State.

3. The resolution of the Simla Educational Conference does not specifically urge that residences should be provided rent-free and it alludes to the provision of such residences as "a profitable form of expenditure." By this the Government of India do not understand that the Conference regarded the money to be spent in erecting residences as an outlay of capital to be recouped by rentals. The question was raised in connection with a discussion regarding the improvement of the prospects of the educational services and it was probably intended that in the case of certain selected officers in Arts Colleges residences should be provided either rent-free or at rates lower than those prevailing in the open market, the concession being accompanied by the imposition of definite responsibilities and duties.

4. In illustration of the recognized policy of Government to encourage as far as possible the growth of the residential element in college life, reference may be made to section 21 (1) (*f*) of the Indian Universities Act which requires "that due provision will, so far as circumstances may permit, be made for the residence of the head of the college and some members of the teaching staff in or near the college or the place provided for the residence of students." It is important that Government

itself should set a good example in this, as in other respects. It seems therefore to the Government of India that it is now desirable to settle the general question, and they would be glad if local Governments will take into their consideration the terms and conditions on which the concessions suggested by the Conference may suitably be granted to educational officers. The provision of free residence should undoubtedly carry with it the obligation on the part of the occupant to discharge certain specified duties in connection with the supervision of the students and the direction of their studies and recreations. This condition might equally well be imposed, if this has not already been done, upon the present occupants of rent-free houses. I am accordingly to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, the Government of India may be favoured with the views of the Government of Madras upon the question as a whole, and that definite proposals may be made for providing free accommodation for one or two officers at each Government Arts College, subject to such conditions as the local Government thinks proper. The approximate cost of the arrangement should also be indicated.

Endorsement No. 60, Educational, dated 2nd February 1905.

Referred to the Director of Public Instruction for report.

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

From the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D.Sc., F.R.S., Director of Public Instruction, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, Ref. on Cur. No. 963, dated 19th April 1905.

With reference to your endorsement No. 60, dated 2nd February 1905, I have the honour to state that the following Educational officers are at present provided with quarters or house-rent upon the terms noted:—

Teachers' College, Saidapet—
Principal (Draws a rent allowance of Rs. 80 per mensem).
Vice-Principal.
Lady Superintendent, Practising Section, Teachers' College (Draws a rental of Rs. 25 per mensem).

College of Agriculture, Saidapet—
Principal.
Vice-Principal.
Farm Manager.
Bailiff.
Assistant Bailiff.
Superintendent, Veterinary Hospital.
Veterinary Hospital Keeper.

College of Engineering—
Principal.

Reformatory School, Chingleput—
Deputy Superintendent.
Headmaster.

Government Madrasa-i-Azam, Madras—
Headmaster.

Government Central High School, Mercara—
Headmaster.
First Assistant.

2. The conditions at the Medical College and Law College are specialized and need not be further considered.

3. The question of reorganizing the Engineering and Agricultural Colleges and possibly the shifting of their locale is under consideration.

If the former were moved to Saidapet and the latter abolished as at present constituted, the house in Chepauk now occupied by the Principal might be made over to the Principal of the Presidency College and the house of the Principal of the Agricultural College allotted to the Principal of the Engineering College. It would probably be desirable that the two Professors of Engineering and the other members of the staff with any laboratory or field work to do should also be in residence. Provision might be made for the two members of the Indian Educational Service and as the house of the Vice-Principal, Agricultural College, would be available for one of the Provincial Service Officers, one other similar house would suffice.

It is impossible at the moment to say anything about the future of the Agricultural College.

4. The Teachers' College is provided with quarters for the Vice-Principal, while the Principal and Lady Superintendent of the Practising department receive house-rent allowance. I do not think that any further provision is necessary.

5. For the Presidency College there should be a house for the Principal. This might be the existing house in Chepauk which is perhaps nearer to the Presidency College than to the Engineering College. Besides this I think it might be worth while to provide some residential quarters near the college for two or three or even more Science Professors in order that they may be able to get to their laboratories at any time.

I can speak in this matter from personal experience. The possibility of getting into one's laboratory at any time without a long drive thither is the greatest possible help if one is attempting any research work. The climate renders it all the more desirable to obviate any dissipation of energy. A building which could be divided into two or three sets of rooms would be most useful. Most Professors when they first come out and are most likely therefore to engage in original work would be bachelors; but it would not be difficult to design the building so as to have accommodation suitable for at any rate one married couple besides the bachelors. The college is likely to have more Science Professors in future.

6. At Kumbakónam and at Rajahmundry a house might be built for the Principal and this is the more desirable now that hostels are to be started in connection with these colleges.

7. The Government of India point out that the question was raised in connection with a discussion regarding the improvement of the prospects of the Educational Services. If so many of the college appointments are thus made more attractive, I think something should be done for the Inspectors. They might for instance draw a house rent allowance or quarters might be built for them. Mr. Logan has recently had great difficulty in securing any house at Coimbatore. It would be a great mistake to do anything which induced the best men to seek the college appointments.

8. As regards the extra duties devolving upon the officers occupying free quarters little more can be done than to give such officers to understand what is expected of them. The duties themselves would be of such a nature that if perfunctorily performed they would be of little use.

The duties would naturally consist of special attention to the recreations of the students and the supervision and direction of the studies of those who were in residence at a hostel on the one hand and of special laboratory work on the other.

9. The cost of carrying out these proposals could be doubtless easily roughly estimated by the Public Works Department if the following data were supplied:—

Houses for two officers drawing a salary of Rs. 500—1,000. House for one Provincial officer on a salary of say Rs. 400.	College of Engineering.
Quarters for three or four officers on a salary of Rs. 500—1,000 arranged as chambers.	Presidency College.
Houses for two officers on a salary of Rs. 500—1,000.	Kumbakónam and Rajahmundry Colleges.

To this must be added any house-rent allowance given to the Inspectors or the cost of building quarters for them.

Order—No. 299, Educational, dated 8th May 1905.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

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

Letter—No. 300, Educational, dated 8th May 1905, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home department.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 59, dated 24th January 1905, on the subject of the provision of quarters for Principals and Professors of Arts colleges.

2. In reply I am to state that there are four Arts colleges in this Presidency, of which three are of the first grade and one of the second grade. No member of the staff of these colleges is at present provided with Government quarters. The Governor in Council considers that it will be desirable and sufficient to provide the following accommodation in respect of Arts colleges:—

Presidency College.—A house for the Principal and accommodation for two of the Professors.

Kumbakónam College.—A house for the Principal.

Rajahmundry College.—A house for the Principal.

The Second-grade college at Mangalore, the Principal of which belongs to the Provincial Educational Service, may be left out of account.

3. Students' hostels are under construction in connection with the Kumbakónam and Rajahmundry Colleges and it is desirable that the Principals who are the only European members of the staff of those colleges should have quarters near them. In the matter of hostel accommodation the Presidency College is served by the Victoria Students' hostel owned by a registered association. There are quarters attached to it for a warden, hostel appointment of warden, which carries with it the use of the quarters rent free, has hitherto been conferred by the association on a member of the European staff of either the Engineering or the Presidency College. Quarters at the Presidency College will be assigned preferentially to Professors of Science, who should, if possible, reside within easy reach of their laboratories.

4. The following is a rough estimate of the cost of the quarters required:—

	Rs.
Presidency College—	
Principal's quarters	14,000
Professor's quarters—	
One set of married quarters	14,000
And one set for two bachelors	14,000
Kumbakónam College—	
Principal's quarters	14,000
Rajahmundry College—	
Principal's quarters	14,000

5. As regards the special duties devolving upon the officers occupying free quarters, it is impossible to define them with any precision. They would naturally consist of special attention to the recreations of the students and the supervision and the direction of the studies of those who are in residence at a hostel on the one hand and of special laboratory work on the other. At the same time it ought to be possible for the professors in question to exercise some influence over the conduct of such students as are not living either in hostels or with their families.

6. In their letter the Government of India refer only to the provision of quarters in connection with Arts colleges, but His Excellency the Governor in Council considers that the same necessity exists in regard to professional colleges or at least the majority of them. In Madras the Principal of the Teachers' College is paid a house-rent

allowance of Rs. 80 per mensem in lieu of free quarters and the Vice-Principal is provided with such quarters on the premises. The Principal and Vice-Principal of the College of Agriculture as well as the Principal of the College of Engineering are also provided with free quarters. His Excellency in Council is of opinion that quarters should be built for the Principal of the Teachers' College. The cost is roughly estimated at Rs. 14,000. As regards the College of Engineering and the College of Agriculture, the removal of the former from Madras to Saidapet and that of the latter from Saidapet or its amalgamation with the former are now under consideration. If the decision is in favour of removal the quarters occupied by the Principal of the College of Engineering, situated nearer to the Presidency than to the Engineering College, will be available for the Principal of the Presidency College and the provision of new quarters for him will be unnecessary. The quarters now occupied by the Principal of the College of Agriculture may likewise become available for the Principal of the College of Engineering or the amalgamated college. The provision of quarters, if any, for the remaining staff will be considered after a final decision on the question of the removal of these colleges has been arrived at. No quarters are necessary for the staff of the Law and Medical Colleges.

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

Exd. P. Seetharam.

Educational Department.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., Nos. 299, 300, EDUCATIONAL, DATED 8th MAY 1905.

[Subject.—*Provision of free residence for Professors of Government Arts Colleges.*]

From the Government of India, Home Department, No. 59, *dated* 24*th January* 1905.

The letter from the Government of India may be referred to the Director of Public Instruction for report. A draft is placed below for approval.

T. Kanakasundaram Pillai—1-2-05.

P. T. Tharyan—2-2-05.

A. Galletti—1-2-05.

H. D. Taylor—2-2-05.

[Endorsement No. 60, dated 2nd February 1905.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 963, *dated* 19*th April* 1905.

The proposals of the Director as summed up in paragraph 9 of his letter may be accepted and the Public Works Department asked to estimate the cost of constructing the proposed quarters.

2. For the Presidency College I think that there should, in addition to the Principal's house, be two married quarters, and two bachelor quarters.

3. The question of providing quarters for Inspectors is outside the scope of the present reference, and cannot be brought under section 21 (1) (*f*) of the Indian Universities Act.

H. D. Taylor—25-4-05.

The Engineering and Agricultural Colleges are at present in a state of indeterminateness. If the Engineering College is shifted the Principal's quarters will be handy for the Presidency College for which, however, at least two more houses or quarters would be advisable—for science men. The warden's quarters already exists for the Professor who has charge of the Hostel.

2. Rajahmundry and Kumbakonam Colleges should have at least one house provided as near the Colleges as possible. If two are thought necessary for each, one should be for a native occupant.

3. Provision for the Engineering staff will be necessary if the College goes to Saidapet. That must stand over. Housing must also follow the Agricultural College wherever it bestows itself. I doubt if there will be much room for more house-sites at Saidapet; but I think the Principal might as well be located there (together with the Vice-Principal (as the Government should pay him Rs. 80 per mensem to live where he pleases.

4. House-rent for Inspectors is outside the rationale of this matter. Their work is dissipated and when they are at home they are not properly in their duty.

J. T[homson]—26-4-05.

I agree.

A[mpthill]—1-5-05.

Draft please.

H. D. Taylor—2-5-05.

It may be difficult to furnish the information unless Public Works Department have standard design estimates drawn up. The estimate will be a rough estimate only.

H. D. TAYLOR—4-5-05.

A draft is under preparation. Meanwhile the Public Works Department may be asked to let us have a rough estimate of the cost of the buildings to be provided. As we have promised to send in a reply to the Government of India by the end of next week we may ask the Public Works Department to treat the matter as very urgent.

2. The Public Works Department may be informed that the buildings for which estimates are required are the following:—

* Honourable Member says *at least* two.

P. T. THARYAN.

Yes. I should say one for a married man and one for a bachelor—or a block for two bachelors in the alternative.

H. D. TAYLOR—4-5-05.

(1) *Presidency College.*—Houses for the Principal and two * of the European Professors, pay Rs. 500—50—1,000. If the house now occupied by the Principal of the College of Engineering becomes available, a new house for the Principal of the Presidency College will not be required, but at the present moment it seems better to have an estimate for a new house for the Principal of that College.

(2) *Kumbakonam College.*—A house for the Principal, pay Rs. 500—50—1,000.

(3) *Rajahmundry College.*— Do. do.

(4) *Teachers' College.*— Do. do.

P. T. THARYAN—2-5-05.

Submitted with draft.

A. GALLETTI—3-5-05.

Will the Public Works Department please furnish rough estimates of the cost of construction of buildings referred to in the draft.

2. The Honourable Member has not differentiated between quarters for married and unmarried professors: and it is therefore requested that the estimates for the Presidency College may be in the alternative for—

(*a*) Single set of married quarters;

(*b*) Single set of bachelor quarters;

(*c*) Block of quarters for two bachelors.

H. D. TAYLOR—4-5-05.

To the Public Works Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Educational has to send a reply to India by the end of next week and for this rough estimates of cost are required for the following proposed residences:—

Presidency College.—(1) Quarters for the Principal.

(2) Quarters for two European Professors; alternative estimates to be framed for—

(*a*) a single set of married quarters,

(*b*) a single set of bachelor quarters, and

(*c*) a block of quarters for two bachelors.

Kumbakonam College.—(3) Quarters for the Principal.

Rajahmundry College.—(4) Quarters for the Principal.

Teachers' College.—(5) Quarters for the Principal.

The pay of all these officers is graded, viz., Rs. 500—50—1,000. The financial value of each appointment is Rs. 806 per mesem. Under the Public Works Code rules, the limit of cost admissible for each quarter is Rs. 11,904. It is for consideration whether for this amount, a residence can be built with suitable accommodation for each of the officers above mentioned, and if not, what the approximate cost will be.

C. V. GANGADHARA SASTRI—5-5-05.

It is almost impossible to make even a rough estimate here. The only help is the pay of the officers for whom quarters are to be provided. Of course it would be possible to build an upstair house for Rs. 12,000, but judging from recent experience it would be better to take Rs. 13,000 as a minimum. This applies to the quarters for the various Principals.

2. As to the other quarters I do not see how even a guess can be made without any information as to the scale of accommodation to be provided.

S. B. MURRAY—5-5-05.

Principals' quarters may be taken everywhere at Rs. 14,000 and the same price for a single set of married quarters or a block of quarters, for two bachelors.

For a single set of bachelor quarters Rs. 12,000 may be taken.

W. B. DEW[INTEN]—5-5-05.

To the Educational Department.

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H. D. TAYLOR—5-5-05.

[G.O., Nos. 299, 300, Educational, dated 8th May 1905.]

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Requesting that they may be furnished with the views of the Govt upon the question of providing ~~free quarters~~ for Professors in or near the College & that definite proposals may be made for providing free accommodation for one or two officers at each Govt. arts Colleges.

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[*Name*] The Hon'ble Mr. A.G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S.,

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[*Station*] Madras

Ref. No. Cur No. 963 of 05

Dated 19th April 1905.

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SUBJECT.

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