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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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G.O., No. 345, 15th May 1906.

Building grant.

Accepting, with remarks, the proposal of the Director of Public Instruction to allow the Manager of the Deaf and Dumb School at Palamcottah to commence the proposed additions and improvements to the school without prejudicing her right for a —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers :—

I

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. Bourne, D. Sc., F.R.S., Director of Public Instruction.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—the 26th March 1906.
No.—Ref. on C. No. 3436 of 1905.

I have the honour to submit the enclosed plan with estimate, amounting to Rupees 4,610, for additions and improvements to the building occupied by the Deaf and Dumb School, Palamcottah, on which under rule 118 of the Grant-in-Aid Code a grant of Rs. 1,536 has been applied for.

2. The present building was purchased and improved with the help of a grant of Rs. 4,674, which was sanctioned by Government in its Order No. 774, Educational, dated 23rd December 1901.

3. The necessity for the proposed work is explained by the fact that the class rooms are in a condition pronounced to be unsafe. Both the roofs and walls have been eaten up by white-ants.

4. The institution is maintained and managed by Miss Swainson of the Zenana Mission, Palamcottah. A short history of the institution is as follows :—

(*a*) In 1895 a small class consisting of three deaf girls was formed in the Sarah Tucker College, Palamcottah. In a few days several other deaf children joined the class. Within a period of five years the strength increased so greatly as to necessitate the formation of a separate institution. With the help of the money which Miss Swainson had in the meantime raised in England, two buildings were rented and the class was removed thereto. In 1902 the institution was removed to its present building.

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1901-1902	Upper Primary	8	8	16
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	Total	36	32	68
1902-1903	Upper Primary	4	2	6
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	Total	36	29	65
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The present strength is over 100 and is composed of children of all classes, castes and creeds. The pupils are drawn not only from the Presidency, but also from Bombay, Bengal, Punjab, Sindh, United Provinces, Central Provinces and Ceylon.

(*c*) The standard of instruction given is the same as that prescribed for ordinary schools, but the pupils are carefully trained up for a particular trade in life, such as carpentry, weaving, tailoring and book-binding in the case of boys, and basket-making and all kinds of sewing in the case of girls. A noteworthy feature of the school is the attempt which is being made to teach speech to some of the pupils.

(*d*) Apart from the aid from public funds and the contribution made by those interested in the cause of the deaf and dumb, the institution has no other source of income.

5. The funds and property belonging to the school are vested in Miss Swainson. She does not expect to remain in India for the period of 20 years during which Government will have a claim on the building if a grant is sanctioned, but reports that she has made an arrangement in legal form with the Zenana Mission to carry on the school in the event of her leaving India. I have called for a copy of the deed of agreement with the view of satisfying myself that it makes suitable provision for the management and maintenance of the school, but find that it is not immediately available as the deed has been deposited with the Zenana Mission in England. Meanwhile as the building is urgently required, I recommend that Government may be pleased to allow the manager to begin operations without prejudicing her eligibility for a grant and at the same time without prejudicing the right of Government to refuse the grant or to sanction it on such special conditions as the circumstances of the case may require. I shall be able to suggest the special conditions, if any, which may be prescribed, after a perusal of the deed mentioned.

II

Memorandum by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated 7th May 1906.

The estimate for additions and improvements to the Deaf and Dumb School at Palamcottah, in the Tinnevelly district, is recommended for sanction, with the following remarks :—

If the soil and sub-soil are hard gravel $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet depth of foundations for main walls and $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet for the verandah walls would be enough.

The doors, windows and exposed timbers should be painted.

The windows in the central room should be the same size as the others and a window should be provided in each end wall of the building.

Flat tiles should be laid under the Mangalore tiles, or the building would be unbearably hot. The scantlings of the roof timbers should be altered as follows :—

Principal rafters from $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$ to $4'' \times 5''$.
Tie beams from $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$ to $4'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$.
Struts from $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4''$ to $4'' \times 4''$.

J. P. Davidson,
Chief Engineer.

Order—No. 345, Educational, dated 15th May 1906.

The Government accept the Director's recommendation that the Manager of the Deaf and Dumb School, Palamcottah, be allowed to commence the proposed additions and improvements to the school without prejudicing her eligibility for a building grant and at the same time without prejudicing the right of Government to refuse the grant or to sanction it on such special conditions as the circumstances of the case may require. Before commencing the work, however, the estimate should be revised in accordance with the suggestions contained in the memorandum of the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, read above.

(True Extract.)

A. Butterworth,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Public Works Department.

Educational Department.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 345, EDUCATIONAL, DATED 15th MAY 1906.

[Subject.—*Building grant for the Deaf and Dumb School at Palamcottah.*]

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 26th March 1906, *No.* 3436.

A short history of the school for the deaf and dumb at Palamcottah will be found in paragraph 4 of the Director's letter. The building where the school is now held was purchased out of a grant of Rs. 4,674 from Government—G.O., No. 774, Educational, dated 23rd December 1901. This was when the total number of boys and girls was only 68—*vide* the total for 1901–1902 in paragraph 4 (*b*) of the Director's letter. The present strength of the school is reported to be over a hundred. This necessitates the additional accommodation proposed in the Director's letter. At the same time improvements are stated to be necessary to make the building safe.

2. The two sources of income to the school are said to be public subscription and the contribution of a few* who are interested in the cause of the deaf and dumb—paragraph 4 (*d*) of the Director's letter. The funds so collected and the property belonging to the institution are vested in Miss Swainson, the promoter of the institution. She is said to have entered into a legal agreement with the Zenana Mission for their carrying on the school in the event of her leaving India. The Director was not able to see the terms of this agreement, as it is deposited with the Zenana Mission in England. He, therefore, does not recommend any immediate grant. He only requests that permission to begin the work may be given now and that the grant may be sanctioned only when the Director or the Government are satisfied that the agreement above referred to makes sufficient provision for the management and maintenance of the school.

* Mostly in England, I think?
G. S. F[orbes].

3. The necessary plans and estimates are submitted.

4. For orders as to whether the recommendations of the Director of Public Instruction may be approved.

P.R.—31-3-06.

Before the work is commenced the plans and estimates should be approved by the Public Works Department. The file may, therefore, be forwarded un-officially to that Department with the request that the matter may be treated as urgent.

If the plans and estimates are approved the authorities of the school may be authorized to begin the work on the understanding that the question of the grant will be considered later on.

P. T. Tharyan—31-3-06. C. A. Souter—2-4-06.

To the Public Works Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Note by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated 7th May 1906.

Forwarded to the Educational Department.

J. P. DAVIDSON—7-5-06.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

There can be no objection to the Manager's starting the work (with due regard to the remarks of the Public Works Department with reference to which the estimate should be revised) on the understanding proposed in paragraph 5 of the Director of Public Instruction's letter, viz., that, until the agreement with the Zenana Mission has been considered, Government reserve the decision as to making a grant.

A. BUTTERWORTH—9-5-06.

Very well.

G. S. F[ORBES]—10-5-06.

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A. BUTTERWORTH—12-5-06.

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

P. T. THARYAN—12-5-06.

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Subject.

Submitting for orders an application for a building grant towards the cost of additions and improvements to the building occupied by the Deaf and Dumb school, Palamcottah.

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ENCLOSURES.
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Ref. on C. No. 3436 of 05,

Station M A D R A S , Dated the 26th M A R C H 1906

From (Name) The Hon'ble Mr. A.G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S.,

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department.

Sir,

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

E W Middlemast
For Director of Public Instruction.

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A.B. Butterworth
9-5-06.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ AGAIN G.O., No. dated 190 .

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Chief Engineer, P.W.D. read above.

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