

Education and Public Health (1945) Department.

Miscellaneous SERIES.

G.O. No. 26.Edn.

Dated 4-1-1945.

[Despatch Abstract.]

University - Annamalai - Grants promised for certain building schemes - Conditions laid down.

Back papers.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Further papers.

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University - Annamalai - grants from
for certain building schemes - Conditions
laid down.

Read again: G.O. No. 700 Edn, d 12.5.42
G.O. No. 1764 " , d 7.12.42

the conditions
mentioned in paras (3) & (4)
of the amendment to
G.O. No. 1892 Edn, d
20.12.44 will
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apply to

Value
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£1000 in
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will draw
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Order (Edn) No. 26 dated 4.1.1945.
The Registrar, Annamalai Univ., is
informed that the payment of the grants
promised by Govt for the following objects
will be subject to the conditions similar
to those laid down in G.O. No. 1892 Edn,
d 20.12.44 in respect of grants for the College
of Engineering and Technology:

- i) Extension to Science building.
- ii) Building for Tamil Research Dept.

iii) Drainage scheme for the Univy.

To
The Registrar,
Annamalai Univy.

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Letter no. 57781(A) C-3

4.1.45

To
The Vice-Chancellor,

University of Madras.

Sir,

Grants to the Universities
for specific objects -

The Govt. have had under
consideration the question of the procedure to be
followed in disbursing the grants which they
have ~~also~~ ^{to provide,} agreed, or may agree in future to
provide ~~from provincial funds, in aid of~~ ^{from provincial funds, in aid of} ~~specific~~ ^{specific}
~~schemes from provincial~~ ^{schemes from provincial}
~~funds~~ ^{funds} under taken by the universities of this province.
They have decided that the payment of such
grants should be subject to the conditions
mentioned in the appendix to this letter. I am
to say that the conditions in question will be
applied to the payments of the ^{non-recurring} grants ~~from~~
sanctioned in G.O. no. 666 Adn. dated 29.4.44
towards the cost of buildings and equipment for
the Madras University Department of Technology.

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Appendix

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University Grants to Universities for specific purposes -
~~Disbursement Procedure - Laid down - conditions~~

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Grants for buildings: In the case of building schemes for which grants are sanctioned by Government a University may undertake the designing, planning and construction of buildings as its sole responsibility or, if it prefers, may get the lay out, the plans and the estimates scrutinised by the Government P.W.D. and approved by them. In either case, the ^{Assistant} ~~Ex~~ Engineer of the Government P.W.D. having local jurisdiction, any officer superior to him and any subordinate officer deputed by him should be given

Please see Appendix on
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access, when desired to inspect the buildings as the work proceeds and on completion. Instalments of the grants will be paid in advance as payments "on account" with reference to the progress of expenditure. The final adjustment of the grants given in advance will be made with reference to the actual cost of the work done, as certified by the Ex. Engineer.

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Notes

Education and P.H. Department.

Universities - Grants for specific purposes.

Until a few years ago, ^{ordinarily} grants to the Universities were in the nature of fixed recurring grants, the amounts being placed at the disposal of the Universities in monthly instalments. Government exercise no check on the expenditure of these grants apart from what is provided by the statutory audits.

2. In recent years, in addition to these fixed grants, grants (both recurring and non-recurring) have come to be sanctioned for specific purposes. In connection with the proposed grants, subject to a maximum of Rs.10 lakhs non-recurring and Rs.2 lakhs recurring, per annum, the Finance Secretary has suggested the desirability of laying down a definite procedure for the disbursement of such grants as the Government provide for specific purposes. On this point there are two schools of thought. Academic opinion on the side of the Universities individually and of the Inter-University Board, as their ^{main principle} ~~approach~~, is that Universities should get whatever grants Government provide as block grants, the Universities deciding the details of the expenditure. The logical working of that principle would require that Government should give the whole of the grants intended for a particular scheme straightaway and should have no more concern with them. The principle has not, however, been acted upon in that form in the few instances of specific grants to the Universities, as explained in para 3 below.

In
3. G.O.No.555-Edn., dated 1-4-1940, a non-recurring grant of Rs.3.50 lakhs was sanctioned for the Natural Science Department of the Andhra University: of this, only Rs.50,000 was paid when the University began the work and the balance of the amount was promised to be paid with reference to the progress of expenditure. Of the Rs.3.50 lakhs, Rs.2.75 lakhs has so far been paid and the disbursement of the balance of Rs.0.75 lakh is held over pending the completion of the work. The Annamalai University itself has been promised a grant of

Rs.1.38 lakhs for extensions to Science buildings and Rs.0.96 lakh for constructing a building for the Tamil Research Department: neither of these grants has been paid, because the University has not found it possible to begin the works. Of the non-recurring grant of Rs.7 lakhs promised to the Madras University for its Technological Institute, a grant of Rs.0.56 lakh was alone paid in the current year. Secretary held the view that budget provision next year must have some relation to what the University could spend on buildings and equipment. Although the Vice-Chancellor has reported that it might be possible to spend Rs.5.15 lakhs in 1945-46, a provision for a Government grant of Rs.2 lakhs, i.e., less than one-half of the anticipated expenditure, has been suggested to the Finance Department.

4. The Finance Secretary's suggestion referred to represents the other school of thought and is expressed in the following extract of his note dated the 19th November 1944:-

"The position seems to be rather vague and unsatisfactory at present. Apparently, where the grant is based on actual cost, we simply accept the University's statement as to what has been spent. No doubt a University would not deliberately cheat the Government, but it seems to me that in principle it would be only proper to ask for the auditor's certificate as to the amount spent in such a case, before the case is regarded as finally closed."

5. If Government propose to exercise real control, it would be sufficient, so far as recurring grants are concerned, to make advance payments on the basis of the University's estimate and make the necessary adjustment later on with reference to the audited report; the items of expenditure from the recurring grant are generally such as could be checked by an ordinary auditor. Much the same procedure will suffice for non-recurring grants meant for equipment: the expenditure there could be checked with reference to the vouchers. Building grants, however, stand on a different footing. Here the question will be whether actual payment should be based on the bare statement of the University that such-and-such expenditure has been incurred or whether a procedure similar to that laid down in the Grant-in-Aid Code for aided schools and colleges should be followed. Under that pro-

cedure, plans and estimates are prepared by the management's architect and are scrutinized by the Govt. Consulting Architect, and the estimate recommended by the C.A. is accepted. There is provision for the execution of the work ~~either~~ under the supervision of either the management's engineer or the Govt. P.W.D. In either case, payment is made on the certificate of the ~~superintending authority~~ ^{Local Eng. or P.W.D.} that buildings generally worth the approved estimate have been constructed. The grant generally is one-half of the actual expenditure or such other ratio as the Government decide in particular cases. It is likely that this procedure will be looked upon as incompatible with the position of a University. In that case, a less objectionable procedure would be to leave the entire responsibility of the designing, planning and the construction of the buildings to the University. The Executive Engineer or the Supdtg. Engineer having local jurisdiction, may be required to inspect the buildings as work proceeds and to grant certificates, every year or half-year, of the actual expenditure on the work in the previous year or half-year, as the case may be; the final adjustment of the grant ~~being~~ made with reference to these certificates.

Edn and P.H. no:

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Please see Edn and P.H. notes above.

Recurring grants. The proposal of Edn and P.H.

at A on p.2 above may be agreed to. The monthly payment may be made on the 20th of each month.

Non-recurring grants.

(i) Equipment. The proposal at B on p.2 above may be accepted.

(ii) Buildings. It will be in the interests of the Universities ~~concerned if grants~~ ^{themselves if plans} and estimates are scrutinised by the P.W.D. and approved by them. If, however, it is considered that the Universities will not agree to this, the responsibilities for designing, planning and construction of

G.O. No. 64, 29th January 1940

Pension—Superior Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules, 1936—Forms prescribed by the Auditor-General of India under rule 40—Letter from the Government of India, Finance Department, No. F. 5 (1)-R. II/40, dated 19th January 1940—Recorded.

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Letter from S. RANGASWAMY, Esq., I.C.S., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Finance Department, to all Provincial Governments and Chief Commissioners, dated New Delhi, the 19th January 1940, No. F. 5 (I)-R. II/40.

I am directed to refer to this department letter No. F. 5 (2)-R. II/36, dated the 28th January 1937, on the subject indicated above, and to forward a copy each of the two forms which have been prescribed by the Auditor-General of India under rule 40 of the Superior Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules, 1936.

(5)

Injury award under the Superior Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules, 1936.

STATEMENT OF CASE.

[See Rule 40 of the Rules.]

- 1 Name of the Government servant.
- 2 Name of the service to which the Government servant belongs.
- 3 Date on which the injury was sustained.
- 4 Nature and degree of the injury.
- 5 (a) Whether the injury was due to violence, accident or disease.
- (b) Circumstances in which the injury was sustained.
- 6 Post held on the date of injury.
- 7 Day on the date of injury.
- 8 Date of application.
- 9 Proposed gratuity.
- 10 Proposed pension (permanent or temporary).
- 11 Rule under which the award is proposed.
- 12 Date of commencement of the proposed pension.
- 13 Place of payment.

(7)

Family awards under the Superior Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules, 1936.

STATEMENT OF CASE.

[See Rule 40 of the Rules.]

1	Name of the deceased.	
2	Service to which the deceased belonged.	
3	Date of death.	
4	Circumstances in which death occurred.	
5	Post held at the time of death.	
6	Day at the time of death.	
7	Names and ages of the surviving kindred—	
	Name.	Date of birth by Christian era.
(i)	Widow (or widows).	
(ii)	Sons.	
(iii)	Daughters.	
8	Date of application.	
9	Proposed awards.	
10	Rule under which the awards are proposed.	
11	Date of commencement of the proposed pension (or pensions).	
12	Place of payment.	

Order—No. 64, Finance (Pension), dated 29th January 1940.

Recorded.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

T. N. S. RAGHAVAN,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

buildings may be left to the Universities concerned as suggested by
mdn and P.H.

Suitable instalments of the grants may be ^{paid as} ~~given in~~ payments "on account" ^{the} ~~advances~~ with reference to progresses of expenditure.

The proposal of Edn and P.H at C/may~~be~~ agreed to.

The file may be circulated for codes on the points at A, B & C in para 5 of the note on pp 2-3 above.

Subjects to stress in circulation the suggestions
hasten which have also been accepted by Finance
with an option to the UNIV: to undertake the
plans & designs, estimates &c as their sole
responsibility & to get them sanctioned by Govt.
p. w. D., have been incorporated in the draft
as top file re: the Annamalai Univ. Eng. courses
scheme. This may be circulated for appl: with
top file.

2/ A further question arises: whether the
general principles here should be applied to

grants which have been already sanctioned. These have been briefly ref'd to in para 3 of the note at pp 1-2 ante and are again considered below in relation to the application of the principles in question.

Another name :- Natural Science Dept.

Thus was saved: in Rs. 55.50, & 1.4.40. and having regard to the text of that ~~order~~, it may not be appropriate to import fresh conditions at this stage, when an amount of Rs 3.50 less than a third of the total recurring grant of Rs 39,600 remains to be ~~disbursed~~. better to leave things as they are.

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Madras Univ. - Technology Dept.

In the year 666 ED, 29.4.44, sanctioning the scheme, the necessary grant of Rs 85,000 has been called a "block grant" and it had also been discussed and decided at that footing, the whole amount must be paid & no question of imposing conditions now.

The V.C.'s proposal was that of the non-recurrent grant of Rs 7 lakhs, .50 lakh might be provided in 1944-45 (it has since been paid) and the balance should wait a few years acc. to Govt. convenience. That proposal was adopted at the Advertisers' meeting at which V.C. was also present. The question of imposing any conditions was not considered. Of the Rs 7 lakhs, it may be assumed, on the basis of the Univ.'s estimate which was before Govt. at the time, that 4 lakhs for buildings & the remaining 3 lakhs for equipment. The question is whether the Rs 50,000 already paid shd. be considered a payment "on account" & the conditions at B & C on pp 2-3 auto applied. In that case it is proper to tell the V.C. now that Govt. have since taken a grant. Decision of the kind & propose to apply it in this case.

Annamalai Univ. (i) Extensions to Science buildings (Rs 1.38 lakhs)

(ii) Building for Tamil Research Dept. (Rs. 96 lakhs)

(iii) Drainage scheme - (Rs 2.31 lakhs)

The Govt. have told the Univ. that it may apply for disbursement of the grants when the schemes are taken up for execution on mutual conditions getting restored.

The conditions in question can be applied at the proper stage, i.e. when works are undertaken & Govt. are asked actually to provide funds.

Finance & P.W. may see with L.F. before

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Previous finance notes on pp 4-5 above and the subsequent notes of Edu & P.H. maybe perused.

The suggestions of Edu & P.H. at A B C & D on pp 4-5 above may be accepted.

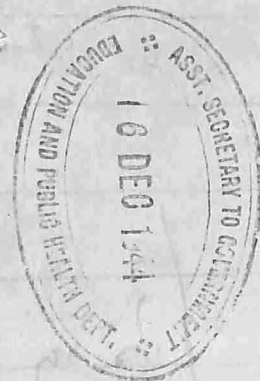
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Please see portion M on p 4 and this is incorporated in condition 4 of the annexure in the draft order put up in the top file. It may be accepted.

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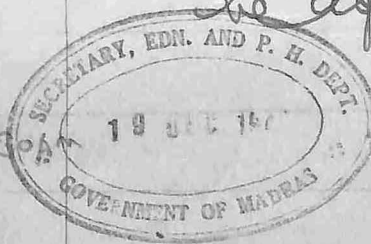
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points A, B, C & D at pp 4-5 auto.

For notes as to give on

The suggestion may be approved.



A.H. 19/12/44

A draft order is submitted for appl.

A draft order [to the Reg. Madras Univ.] is also subd.

Please see 30.12.44

Draft order revised

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University Buildings
Madras
16th March 1945
Dear Sir Thomas,
In connection with letter No.
57731-(A)-C.3 dated the 4th January
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would like to discuss the matter
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self. The Vice-Chancellor would
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EXP. H.
UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS,
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already been fixed up for meetings
of University Bodies.

I shall be thankful for a line
in reply.

Yours sincerely,
L. M. R.
Sir Thomas Austin, KCIE., ICS.,
Adviser to H.E. the Governor,
Fort St. George.



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UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS
MADRAS, 16

16th March 1945.

Dear Sir Norman,

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In connection with letter No. 57731-(A)-C.3 dated the 4th January 1945 from the Secretary to Government, Education & Public Health Department, regarding conditions for the payment of grants to Universities, the Vice-Chancellor and myself would like to discuss the matter with Sir Thomas Austin and yourself. The Vice-Chancellor would be glad if you could give us an interview any day, next week, other than the 22nd and 23rd, which have already been fixed up for meetings of University Bodies.

I shall be thankful for a line in reply.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Norman Strathie, KCIE., ICS.,
Adviser to H.E. the Governor,
Fort St. George.

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did not visit 2nd. NY 17.3

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Fort St. George,
Madras,
19th March 1945.

Dear Melean,

Your letters Nos. 788 & 789
dated 16th March. Myself and --
Strathie will be glad to see you and
the Vice-Chancellor at 11 A.M. on
Saturday the 24th March 1945 in Sir
Norman Strathie's room at the Sectt.,
Fort St. George.

Yours sincerely,

William McLean Mac.,
Registrar, University of Madras,
University Buildings,
Chopauk, Madras.

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Letter No. 57731(A) C-3, d 4.1.45 - referred to in the D.O. from the Registrar, Univ of Madras, at pp 1+3 ante is at pp 3-6 of of Lr. No. 26 Edn, d 4.1.45. In this letter the V.C, Madras Univ, was informed that Govt had decided that the payment of any grants which they have agreed to provide or may agree in future to provide from Govt funds in aid of specific schemes undertaken by the Universities of this Province should be subject to the conditions mentioned in the appendix to the letter. ~~The notes leading to the decision will be found at pp 1-6 of (B) and that the conditions would be applied to the non-recurring grant sanctioned for the Univ College of Technology.~~ The notes leading to the decision are a pp 1-6 of (B).

The conditions in question have been applied also to the grant sanctioned to the Annamalai Univ in Lr. No. 1892 Edn d 20.12.44 towards the opening of an engineering college.

The file may be circulated to A2 and A1.

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The V.C. is likely to press the case for the grants being an outright payment.

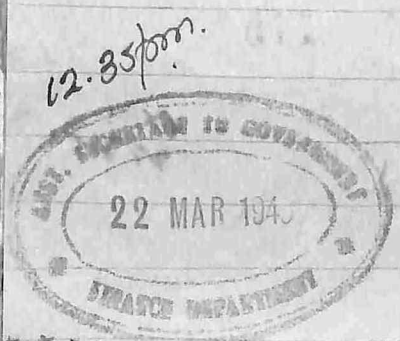
The conditions set: to show arose from a suggestion made by Finance Secy in connection with the grants for the Annamalai Univ: Eng: college. Now / Finance Sec before the file is sub: to A2 V.C. for discussion with V.C. on 26/3. 22.3.45

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NOTIFICATION
 (No. 45-50/45, dated the 25th February 1945).

Programme of His Excellency the Governor's tour in Ramnad & Madura Dists., 2nd/3rd March 1945.

1945	March 2	Friday	Madras (Minambakkam aerodrome)	Dep. 5.45 a.m.	By air
			Chettinad	Arr. 11.00 a.m.	By air
			Madura	Dep. 3.00 p.m.	By air
			Madura	Arr. 3.20 p.m.	By air
	3	Saturday	do. Madras (Minambakkam aerodrome)	Dep. 5.40 a.m.	By air
				Arr. 11.00 a.m.	By air
					By plane & motor to Pudukottai
					By plane & motor to Govt. House, Guindy

(Arrivals and departures will be private).
 The party accompanying His Excellency will be:-

Colonel G.B. Howell, MVO, MC, Military Secretary.
 Mr. A.J. Platt, ICS, Private Secretary.

Government House,
 Guindy,
 25th February 1945.

G.B. HOWELL, Colonel,
 Military Secretary.

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Sir,

Grants to the Universities
for specific objects.

Sd/-
Secretary to Government.

GRANTS to Universities for specific purposes - Conditions.

(ii) Non-recurring grants:- Grants for equipment. Grants for equipment will be disbursed in one lump sum or in instalments subject to adjustment later with reference to the audited figures of expenditure.

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The D.O. from the Regr. of the Madras
on p. 1 above & E.P.H. dept.'s note on
above may be perused.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.

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M. V. Subramanian, Madras, I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras.

The Vice-Chancellor,
University of Madras.

Dated, Fort Saint George, the 4th January 1945.

Grants to the Universities
for specific objects.

The Government have had under consideration the question of the procedure to be followed in disbursing the grants. They have agreed to provide or may agree in future to provide from provincial funds, in aid of specific schemes undertaken by the Universities of this Province. They have decided that the payment of such grants should be subject to the conditions mentioned in the appendix to this letter. I am to say that the conditions in question will be applied to the payment of the non-recurring grants sanctioned in G.O. No. 666.Edn. dated 29th April 1944 towards the cost of buildings and equipment for the Madras University Department of Technology.

58/-

Secretary to Government.

A P P O I N T M E N T

GRANTS to Universities for specific purposes - Conditions.

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Ref: Letter No.57731-(a)-C.3, dated the 4th January 1945 from the Secretary to the Government of Madras to the Vice-Chancellor re: grants to Universities sanctioned for specific purposes.

In the above communication, Government have communicated the following conditions framed by them in regard to the payment of grants sanctioned for specific purposes, and state that these conditions will apply to the payment of non-recurring grants sanctioned in G.O.No.666.Edn. dated the 29th April 1944 for the College of Technology.

- (i) Recurring grants. Recurring grants due for a year will be paid, as at present, in monthly instalments on or about the 20th of each month. An adjustment will be made at the end of the year when necessary with reference to the ascertained actual expenditure of the previous year.
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2. The letter of Government states that the above conditions will apply to non-recurring grants sanctioned for the College of Technology and to grants sanctioned for specific purposes in future.

3. In G.O.No.666.Edn. dated 29-4-44, Government have sanctioned a recurring block grant of Rs.85,000/- and a non-recurring grant of Rs.7 lakhs without attaching any conditions thereto, excepting that these are to be utilised for the proposed College of Technology. It is therefore for consideration whether Government should be addressed not to impose such conditions with regard to grants previously sanctioned by Government, and whether the non-recurring grant could not be made available to the University in a lump sum as in the past, provided the grant is expended only for the objects for which it has been sanctioned.

4. Regarding the conditions themselves the following may be noted:-

(i) Recurring Grants - It is stated that the grant will be paid in monthly instalments as at present and an adjustment will be made at the end of the year when necessary with reference to the ascertained actual expenditure of the previous year. Prior to the system of payment of grants in monthly instalments, the grant used to be received in one lump sum at the commencement of the year. This permitted the crediting of the grant to the various accounts, and afforded an opportunity of accumulating small departmental balances in many cases

and the meeting of charges as and when they fell due. Consequent on the introduction of monthly payments, it is not always that the amounts are received by the 20th of the month, and often the necessity has arisen to pay the charges from the fee funds as and when they fell due to be later adjusted to the respective accounts after receipt of the grant due for the month.

Another objectionable feature is the question of adjustment at the end of the year when necessary with reference to the ascertained actual expenditure of the previous year. It is presumed that this will not apply to Block grants, but only recurring grants sanctioned for specific purposes. Even in such cases the system of adjustment at the end of the year introduces a new factor which had not been in vogue before.

(ii) Non-recurring grants - (a) Grants for equipment -

These will be disbursed in one lump sum or in instalments subject to adjustment later with reference to the audited figures. As already stated in the application for grant to the Government, the estimated non-recurring expenditure was between 12 to 14 lakhs of which a grant of Rs.7 lakhs was requested from Government. It was also mentioned that on the analogy of the buildings that have been raised at the University of Bombay and Nagpur, the estimated cost of buildings including site would come to Rs.7 to 8 lakhs and the equipment spread over a number of years will come to Rs.6 lakhs. While the Government on the above basis sanctioned a non-recurring grant of 7 lakhs for buildings and equipment, the present condition would seem to imply that Govt. do not commit themselves to any definite payment. Such an arrangement would not permit the University to plan ahead or to embark upon a definite scheme of equipment, which from the nature of things will take a few years or to place advance orders for equipment.

(b) Grants for buildings -

Building grants were given in the past in lump sums, which were capitalised and pooled by the University and utilised for the purposes for which they were sanctioned. The University had ~~free~~ freedom to advertise and engage Architects or Clerk of Works, as may be necessary and to give the work on tender, and all that the P.W.D. was permitted was to come along at any time and have a look of the buildings in progress.

Under the conditions proposed, the Executive Engineer or any officer superior to him or any subordinate deputed by him shall have access to the work at any time, to inspect the work as it progresses and on completion, and to certify the cost of work done, for purposes of grant. This practice has never existed in the past, nor is it desirable either in the interests of speedy construction or good execution, because (1) the work is likely to be held up by periodic inspections and reports by the P.W.D. Officers, and (2) the dual control of the works, one by the agency engaged by the University and the other by the Executive Engineer of the P.W.D., and (3) the possibility of differences of opinion arising between the two regarding nature and progress of work or of the cost thereof, and (4) the centage charges that will be payable to the P.W.D. for supervision etc., in addition to the charges payable to the agency engaged by the University, resulting naturally in added cost of construction. With freedom, the University could build better, quicker and cheaper. There is always the check by Government audit, which should be deemed sufficient. Objection has also to be taken to the System of payment proposed. Instalments of grants will be paid in advance as payments "on account" with reference to the progress of expenditure, the final adjustment of the grants given in advance will be made with reference to the actual cost of work done as certified by the Executive Engineer. Under this system, all the initial expenditure regarding preparation of lay-out, plans, etc., will devolve upon the University without the Government being committed in any manner, and as payments are

Ref: Letter No. 1771-4(a)-0-0, dated the 4th January 1944 from the Secretary to the Government of Madras to the Vice-Chancellor re: Grants to University sanctioned for specific purposes.

In the above communication, Government have communicated the following conditions framed by them in regard to the payment of grants sanctioned for specific purposes, and state that these conditions will apply to the payment of non-recurring grants sanctioned in G.O. No. 666, P.W.D. dated the 28th April 1944 for the College of Technology.

(i) Recurring grants - Recurring grants due for a year will be paid, as at present, in monthly instalments on or about the 20th of each month. In adjustment will be made at the end of the year when necessary with reference to the ascertained actual expenditure of the previous year.

(ii) Non-recurring grants: Grants for equipment - Grants for equipment will be disbursed in one lump sum or in instalments subject to adjustment later with reference to the audited figures of expenditure.

(iii) Grants for buildings - In the case of buildings schemes for which grants are sanctioned by Government a University may undertake the designing, planning and construction of buildings as its sole responsibility or it may prefer, may get the layout, the plans and estimates sanctioned by the Government P.W.D. and approved by them. In either case, the Executive Engineer of the Government P.W.D. having local jurisdiction, any officer superior to him and any subordinate officer deputed by him should be given access, when desired to inspect the buildings as the work proceeds and on completion. Instalments of the grants will be paid in advance as payments "on account" with reference to the progress of expenditure. The final adjustment of the grants given in advance will be made with reference to the actual cost of the work done as certified by the Executive Engineer.

2. The letter of Government states that the above conditions will apply to non-recurring grants sanctioned for the College of Technology and to grants sanctioned for specific purposes in future.

3. In G.O. No. 666, P.W.D. dated 28-4-44, Government have sanctioned a recurring block grant of Rs. 85,000/- and a non-recurring grant of Rs. 7 lakhs without attaching any conditions thereto, excepting that there are to be utilized for the proposed College of Technology. It is therefore for consideration whether Government should be addressed not to impose such conditions with regard to grants previously sanctioned by Government, and whether the non-recurring grant could not be made available to the University in a lump sum as in the past, provided the grant is expended only for the objects for which it has been sanctioned.

4. Regarding the conditions themselves the following may be noted:-

(i) Recurring grants - It is stated that the grant will be paid in monthly instalments and that adjustment will be made at the end of the year when necessary with reference to the ascertained actual expenditure of the previous year. This is a reasonable condition and should be maintained.

to be made 'on account' with reference to progress of expenditure, the payments will always be in arrears, as far as grants are concerned, while the University will be constrained to pay the contractor as and when his bills fall due. Such a system would not permit the University to embark upon a bold and comprehensive scheme of construction.

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Letter No. 11031 C-3

Dated 17.4.45

To The Vice-Chancellor, University of Madras.

Sir,

Grants to Universities for specific objects. Ref: My letter No. 57731 (A) C-3, dated 4.1.1945.

I am directed to say that the Government, have further considered the question of the procedure to be followed in disbursing the grant sanctioned in G.O. No. 666, Edn., dated 29.4.1944, towards the opening of technological courses of study by the Madras University, and decided that the conditions mentioned in the appendix to my letter cited above shall not apply to the grant in question. The last sentence in the letter will accordingly be omitted. The conditions will however be applied to any grants which the Government may make in future, in aid of specific schemes undertaken

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