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Dated 31. 1. 46

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[Despatch Abstract.]

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Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education,
Saidapet.

December 12, 1945.

The Director of Public Instruction,
Old College,
Madras.

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For levelling, sowing to green gram as a green manure, plowing under, levelling, sowing to grass, weeding, watering, construction of 3 pitches, 2 practice, and one match pitch, installation of water supply, electric motor and pump, hose pipe, etc.	Rs. 26,000
Construction of a pavilion, suitable for colleges, schools, and clubs (the college occupies all of its buildings and can spare none as a pavilion)	20,000
Construction of a fence to keep off trespassers, animals, and for control of cricket crowds ..	10,000
Total expenditure ..	Rs. 56,000

2. The Practice Cricket Field.- Located upon the sports field.

This sports field contains the only 1/4 mile track in the city. It is used for the Interschools, Intercollegiates, Olympic and other important sports meets. At other times, it is used as a cricket field, and is in great demand. But it is too small, and must be enlarged by cutting down a 2 foot terrace, and retrufing that area. The entire sports field must then be reconditioned. It was very heavily damaged in the 1943 flood, and requires extensive repair and levelling to bring it back into condition.

Required expenditure .. Rs. 10,000.

3. The Village Green Field. Located on the hockey field between the Recreation Hut and Mount Road; it is a popular field, but requires levelling and conditioning after which it will be useful for school boys matches and informal adult groups.

Required expenditure .. Rs. 2,000.

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Required expenditure .. Rs. 5,000. 1000

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Theatre	..	Rs. 15,000.
Boxing Arena	..	15,000.
Total expenditure	..	Rs. 30,000.

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If the health of those using the college is to be protected, it will be necessary to provide a safe supply of drinking water in many parts of the compound, from a sealed well, with its underground stream supply far below the surface. Such a well is already dug. But it must be protected, and a tower supplied to ensure its protected delivery to the various centres of activity xxxxxxx scattered over the 65 acres.

An extension of the sanitation will also be necessary. Water supply and sanitation must be the first responsibility, when such large groups will be using the compound.

Required expenditure	..	Rs. 40,000.

If the required funds are provided, the college would then be able to offer:-

For children below the age of 5 years:-
- The playground, sand pile, and wading pool.

For children from the age 5 - 10 years:-
- The pool.
- The public playground.
- The boats.
- The outdoor theatre.
- As spectators at athletic, aquatic, dramatic and musical events.

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For children from the age 10 - 17 years:-
- The pool.
- The public playground.
- The boats.
- The skittles alley.
- The sports field.
- The games courts.
- The boxing arena.
- As players and spectators in major and minor games, dramatic, musical and cultural activities.

For young people from the age of 17 and upward, and for adults:-
- Participants, and/ or spectators enjoying the athletic and aquatic, cultural, musical, and dramatic opportunities available.
- The Community Centre (now known as the Recreation Hut for the Allied Forces).
- The swimming pool.
- Three cricket fields.
- Three hockey fields.
- Three football fields.
- Three basketball courts.
- Badminton, volleyball, tennis, skittles.
- Boating and sailing.
- The Festival Unit (the Memorial Outdoor Theatre; the Boxing Arena).
- Sports for Women - Tennis, badminton, teniquoit, boating, sailing, skittles, hockey.

The opportunity is at hand. It is timely. If it is grasped, all of the above, not now ready for use, will at once be started. Much of it can be completed and paid for by the end of the fiscal year.

The total expenditure now required to complete ~~for~~ all of the above will be: Rs.148,000.

x It is submitted that the above may be treated as an emergency grant, and be made immediately available, as this is the season for most quickly and economically completing fields, and recreation areas.

The request could not be made earlier, as the end of the War had not been expected to come so swiftly. New plans could not be made until the probable use of the compound by the Allied Forces could be predicted. As their use of the playing areas is now rapidly decreasing this new plan has suddenly become possible.

C It is therefore requested that, as an emergency grant, Rs.77,000 be placed at the disposal of the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, for the purpose of developing urgently required recreation facilities for the educational institutions of the city.

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

C S Moffat
PRINCIPAL

TELEGRAMS :
"STRUCTURES"

McKENZIES LTD.

ENGINEERS & CONTRACTORS

TELEPHONE : 3262

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Ref No.

Esplanade, MADRAS 12th Dec'45.

To

Mrs. M.M. Buck,
Y.M.C.A. College, Saidapet.

Dear Madam,

We enclose herewith the lump sum estimates for the boxing arena etc., . They are only approximate and the detailed estimates for the same will be sent to you in due course.

Yours faithfully,

Per. Pro. McKenzies Ltd.,
K. Subbadas

Encl: 8 estimates

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Estimate.

Item No.	Quantity.	Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.	
		Cricket.				
2.		The Practice Cricket Field on the quarter-mile track.				
		Cutting turf and relaying after levelling.			800	0
		Cutting earth and levelling, xxxxxxxxx.			3,500	0
		Removing and putting back fence.			800	0
		Total.			5,100	0

Rupees five thousand and one hundred only.

Per Pro McKENZIES LTD.

K. Subbarao

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McKENZIES LIMITED. SHEET No.

Estimate.

Item No.	Quantity.	Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.
		Cricket.			
1.		**First Division Field.** Cutting earth to level- Low area levelling -consolidating- sowing grass - weeding - Electric motor and pump- rubber hose pipes- water carts.			21,000 0
					21,000 0

Rupees twenty-one thousand only.

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Item No.	Quantity.		Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.	
			Cricket Pavillion.				
			Construction of cricket pavillion.			15000	0
			Fence for cricket field area.			2050	0
			Total.			17050	0

Rupees seventeen thousand and fifty only.

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Estimate.

Item No.	Quantity.	Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.	
Cricket.						
3.		Cricket Field - Villeage Green. Levelling, reconditioning, returfing when required.			2,000	0
			Total.		2000	0

Rupees two thousand only.

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Estimate.

Item No.	Quantity.	Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.	
		Boat House and Boats.			10,000	0
			Total.		10,000	0

Rupees ten thousand only.

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Item No.	Quantity.	Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.	
Theatre.						
		Drainage.			800	0
		Earthwork including sectioning & timber steps.			1,000	0
		Brick steps and brick rings.			4,000	0
		Stage and screen walls(brick)			7,500	0
		Miscellaneous(flower pots, posts etc.,)			2,000	0
		Electricity.			6,000	0
			Total.		21,300	0

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Estimate.

Item No.	Quantity.	Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.	
		Water supply and Sanitation.				
		Central Lavatory block.			4,250	0
		Ten showers.			2,850	0
		Well No.I.water tower and pump.			5,500	0
		Well No.II & water tower.			4,400	0
		Well No.III			1,000	0
		Well No.IV, water tower.			3,000	0
		Well No.V.			900	0
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			Total.		21,900	0

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SHEET No. 27 ~~27~~

Estimate.

Item No.	Quantity.	Description.	Rate.	Per.	Amount.	
Boxing Arena.						
		Earth banking, levelling and consolidating.			9,000	0
		Sectioning & putting steps & railing ~~and~~ timber.			4,000	0
		Brick paving and boxing ring.			2,000	0
		Steps and ramps.			2,000	0
		Turfing.			1,400	0
		Drains.			600	0
		Electricity.			1,000	0
			Total.		20,000	0

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Education & ~~P.H.(C)~~ Dept.

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From the Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education and Public Health Department.
To The Director of Public Instruction. Despd 29-12-45

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Ref: Your U.O.Note No.1372.D/45 d/13-12-194

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In the U.O. note referred to above you have included provision for both water supply and sanitati (Rs.21,900) and for a large enclosed well (Rs.40,000), while the Principal, of the Y.M.C.A. College has estimated the expenditure on improvement of water supply and sanitation at Rs.40,000 only. Please say whether provision of Rs.61,900 or only Rs.40,000 is necessary f the purpose.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
30 DEC 1945
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

TELEPHONIC MESSAGE BY POST DATED 29-12-45.

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To

The Secretary,
Education & Public Health Department, Madras.

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"Ref: Your Telephonic Message dated 29-12-45 re: grant - Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, Saidapet.

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The main file was sent in full circulation on 28.12.45. Its return may be awaited.

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The well is in addition to water supply and sanitation. The provision of Rs.61,900 is therefore necessary.

R. Narasimha

TRB.29/12

for DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

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(18) **E.P.H.(C) Dept.** 33

PHYSICAL Education - Y.M.C.A. College, Saidapet - Grant for certain items of improvement - Included in the approved list.

Order/Ms.No. 215 Edn., dated 31.1.46

The Govt. sanction the inclusion in the list of approved works of the following items of improvements to the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Edn., Saidapet.

Group I - 1, 2, 3
4 & 8
Group II 6 & 10
Group III 7 & 9

Items of work.	Estimated cost. Rs.	
1. New Cricket Field	21,000	I
2. Cricket Pavilion	15,000	I
3. Fence for Cricket field area	2,050	I
4. Small cricket ground	2,000	I
5. Boats and Boat house	10,000	
6. Water supply & sanitation	21,900	II
7. Boxing arena	20,000	III
8. Extension and levelling of all sports grounds	5,100	I
9. Open air theatre	21,300	III
10. Provision of a large enclosed well.	40,000	II
Total.	Rs. 1,58,350	

2. The Y.M.C.A. authorities will be eligible for a ~~half~~ grant of one-half of the actual expr. on ~~the costs of~~ the above items of

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orks, but not exceeding Rs.79,175. The D.P.I. is authorised to disburse the grant ~~in 1945-6 provided all~~ subject to the conditions laid down in the Grant-in-aid Code ~~are fulfilled~~.

3. The expenditure will be debited to "37.Edn."

The D.P.I. is requested to make proposals in due course for a re-appropriation of funds or if necessary, for an addl. appropriation. The A.G. is requested to admit the expdre. pending provision of funds.

4 The grant is sancd. subject to the condition that the increased facilities for games and sports should be opened to all schools and colleges in the City of Madras.

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To the D.P.I.
To the A.G. thro' Fin.
~~To Mrs. Buck,~~
~~College of Physical~~
~~Edn., Saidapet,~~

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With 2 spare copies call

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D.O.No. 55237 C/45-G-Edn, dated 31.1.46

Dear Madam,

I am to enclose a copy of G.O.No. 215 Edn dated 31.1.46 sanctioning a half grant towards the provision of increased facilities for games and sports in the Y.M.C.A. College, Saidapet.

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Mrs.M.M. Buck,
College of Physical
Education, Saidapet
(with copy)
of G.O. 215 Edn d 31.1.46

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Secy E. & P.H.

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P.H.
25 MAR 1946
GOVERNMENT OF MA[illegible]

Sub: apl. Y.M.C.A

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Govt. recently sanctioned some money for Boats for swimming. Proof of the application Y.M.C.A had not been carefully prepared. Some of the money was spent on [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ making a Boat House for the boats, called "Boat House" by the E.O.

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This can be done without any further circulation. 16907

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
26 MAR 1946
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

25-3-46

A draft memo is subd. Finance may see ~~before~~ after issue.

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Memo 16529 C1/46-1 Edn d 25-3-46.
Physical Education - Y.M.C.A. College, Saidapet - Grant for certain items of improvement.

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For item "5. Boats - Rs 10,000" in para 1 of G.O. No: 215 Edn d 31.1.46, read "5. Boats and Boathouse - Rs 10,000".

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To The D.P.I.
" A.G. (thro Fin)
" Principal, Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, Saidapet

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The orders of A, on pp 1-2 above and the memo below may be perused and the case returned to

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Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education,
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SECRETARY, EDN. AND P.H DEPT.
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c - A Cricket Pavilion	Rs.15,000
Total for cricket	Rs.32,000

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If the health of those using the college is to be protected, it will be necessary to provide a safe supply of drinking water in many parts of the compound, from a sealed well, with its undeground stream supply far below the surface. Such a well is already dug. But it must be protected, and a tower supplied to ensure it's protected delivery to the various centres of activity scattered over the 65 acres.

An extension of the sanitation will also be necessary. Water supply and sanitation must be the first responsibility, when such large groups will be using the compound.

Required	Rs.40,000

If the required funds are provided, the college would then be able to offer:-

For children below the age of 5 years:-
- The playground, sand pile and wading pool.

For children from the age 5-10 years:-
- The pool
- The public playground
- The boats
- The outdoor theatre
- As spectators at athletic, aquatic, dramatic and musical events.

For children from the age 10-17 years:-
- The pool
- The public playground
- The boats
- The skittles alley
- The sports field
- The games courts
- The boxing arena
- As players and spectators in major and minor games, dramatic, musical and cultural activities.

For young people from the age of 17 and upward. And for adults.
- Participants, and/or spectators enjoying the athletic and aquatic, cultural, musical, and dramatic opportunities available.
- The Community Centre (now known as the Recreation Hut for the Allied Forces)
- The swimming pool
- Three cricket fields
- Three hockey fields
- Threefootball fields
- Three basketball courts
- Badminton, volleyball, tennis, skittles
- Boating and sailing.
- The Festival Unit (the Memorial Outdoor Theatre; the Boxing Arena)
- Sports for Women -- tennis, badminton, teniquoit, boating, sailing, skittles, hockey.

The opportunity is at hand. It is timely. If it is grasped, all of the above, not now ready for use, will at once be started. Much of it can be completed and paid for by the end of the fiscal year.

The total required for all of the above will be	Rs. 77,000

It is submitted that the above may be treated as an emergency grant, and be made immediately available, as this is the season for completing fields, and recreation areas.

The request could not be made earlier, as the end of the war had not been expected to come so swiftly. New plans could not be made until the probable use of the compound by the Allied Forces could be predicted. As their use of the playing areas is now rapidly decreasing this new plan has suddenly become possible.

It is therefore requested that as an emergency grant Rs.77,000 be placed at the disposal of the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, for the purpose of developing urgently required recreation facilities for the educational institutions of the city.

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

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The college possesses the only 1/4 mile track in the city. It is used for the Interschools, the Intercollegiates, and the Olympic Sports Meets.

The college boxing ring is used for all amateur boxing competitions in the city.

The swimming pool is used at present by the men and women students of the college, and by the pupils of Madras Christian College High School. As its use by the Allied Forces decreases, the time released will be offered to boys and girls' schools, until it is completely booked by schools, colleges and family groups.

But this will not be enough to meet the need.

The college could provide many more urgently required facilities, if its funds permitted. It has reached the limit of its resources.

The Y.M.C.A. has since the inception of the college in 1921, expended upon it, approximately 5 lakhs.

The Governor's War Fund has, since the opening of the Recreation Hut in January 1943, expended upon permanent construction in amenities for the Allied Forces, approximately 2½ lakhs.

The Government of Madras has, in the 26 years the college has existed, contributed to its support, approximately Rs.13,000.

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The neglected tract of 65 acres, has since 1932, been cleared and levelled by the college. It is now ready for its final development into a recreation centre that provide playing space for very large groups of pupils and students in the educational institutions of the city.

The possibilities are:-

(a) Three Cricket Fields.

1. The **first division** field, located in the area between the swimming pool and the men's hostels. Much work upon it has already been done. With its 80 yard radius, ideal location, and a water supply adequate for keeping it in first class condition, it could be one of the best, if not the best in the Presidency.

For levelling, sowing to green gram as a green manure, plowing under, levelling, sowing to grass, weeding, watering, construction of 3 pitches, 2 practice, and one match pitch, installation of water supply, electric motor and pump, hose pipe, etc.	Rs. 26,000
Construction of a pavilion, suitable for colleges, schools, and clubs (the college occupies all of its buildings and can spare none as a pavilion)	20,000
Construction of a fence to keep off trespassers, animals, and for control of cricket crowds ..	10,000
Total expenditure ..	Rs. 56,000

2. The Practice Cricket Field.- Located upon the sports field.

This sports field contains the only 1/4 mile track in the city. It is used for the Interschools, Intercollegiates, Olympic and other important sports meets. At other times, it is used as a cricket field, and is in great demand. But it is too small, and must be enlarged by cutting down a 2 foot terrace, and retrufing that area. The entire sports field must then be reconditioned. It was very heavily damaged in the 1943 flood, and requires extensive repair and levelling to bring it back into condition.

Required expenditure .. Rs. 10,000.

3. The Village Green Field. Located on the hockey field between the Recreation Hut and Mount Road; it is a popular field, but requires levelling and conditioning after which it will be useful for school boys matches and informal adult groups.

Required expenditure .. Rs. 2,000.

(b) Rowing, sailing and the use of river craft may be one of the most enjoyable recreations for large groups of boys. Since the college is situated on the Adyar River, and since it has been given a very fine boat house by the Governor's War Fund, a unique opportunity is at hand for providing a most enjoyable activity for pupils and students. An additional advantage is the opportunity for supervision of water sports by the students of the college. This would form a part of their training and would prevent undue anxiety on the part of the parents.

(b) Boats, to supplement the college supply. A fine boat house, and a grant for boats has been one of the amenities supplied by H.E. The Governor's War Fund. There has been great delay in finishing this unity, and it only now nears completion. It has been impossible to purchase punts and rowboats on the English pattern, and Malabar country craft have been ordered. It should now be possible to secure without delay the satisfactory boats made by Cochin firms. Rowing, sailing, and regattas will be an important feature of the Recreation Programme. The nearby entrance to the Buckingham Canal offers opportunities for overnight excursions to Mahabalipuram.

Required expenditure .. Rs. 10,000.

(d) The Festival Unit. Adequate opportunities for taking part in and attending really good performances of music, -- orchestral and vocal and of dramas, are sadly lacking in the city. The public press has deplored the lack of suitable concert halls and assembly rooms, especially for educational institutions.

The Memorial Theatre provides a suitable setting for many types of musical and dramatic performances.

The Boxing Arena, now under construction, provides an equally attractive but more commodious place for boxing, wrestling, gymnastics, music festivals, bajanas, orchestral concerts and large meetings.

The recent Boxing Shows at the College for novices and amateurs have drawn very large crowds. It may in future be expected that crowds of one to two thousand will attend each event. Such large numbers of spexctators require carefully planned accommodation, parking areas, lighted pathways for entrance and exit, bicycle parks, car parks, a box office, water supply, sanitary accommodation, storage for equipment, and adequate fencing to protect ticket holders, against gate crushers.

If all of these are constructed, the Memorial Theatre will provide the cultural and the Boxing Arena the athletic amenities which will very nearly approach the Greek ideal. And the completed unit will be a beauty spot of which the Department of Education might well be proud.

Theatre	..	Rs. 15,000.
Boxing Arena	..	15,000.
Total expenditure	..	Rs. 30,000.

(e) Water Supply. The college is fortunate in its natural water supply from large wells constructed long ago when the property was used as the Government Farm. The water supply of the Corporation of Madras is not available; nor is the Saidapet water supply adequate. It will be many years before its extension to the college may be permitted. The probable growth of Saidapet may make its extension to the college permanently impossible.

If the health of those using the college is to be protected, it will be necessary to provide a safe supply of drinking water in many parts of the compound, from a sealed well, with its underground stream supply far below the surface. Such a well is already dug. But it must be protected, and a tower supplied to ensure its protected delivery to the various centres of activity ~~xxxxxxxx~~ scattered over the 65 acres.

An extension of the sanitation will also be necessary. Water supply and sanitation must be the first responsibility, when such large groups will be using the compound.

Required expenditure .. Rs. 40,000.

If the required funds are provided, the college would then be able to offer:-

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For children from the age 5 - 10 years:-
- The pool.
- The public playground.
- The boats.
- The outdoor theatre.
- As spectators at athletic, aquatic, dramatic and musical events.

For children from the age 10 - 17 years:-
- The pool.
- The public playground.
- The boats.
- The skittles alley.
- The sports field.
- The games courts.
- The boxing arena.
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The opportunity is at hand. It is timely. If it is grasped, all of the above, not now ready for use, will at once be started. Much of it can be completed and paid for by the end of the fiscal year.

The total expenditure/ now required to complete ~~for~~ all of the above will be: Rs. ~~148,000~~. 148,000 C

K It is submitted that the above may be treated as an emergency grant, and be made immediately available, as this is the season for most quickly and economically completing fields, and recreation areas.

The request could not be made earlier, as the end of the War had not been expected to come so swiftly. New plans could not be made until the probable use of the compound by the Allied Forces could be predicted. As their use of the playing areas is now rapidly decreasing this new plan has suddenly become possible.

It is therefore requested that, as an emergency grant, Rs. 77,000 be placed at the disposal of the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, for the purpose of developing urgently required recreation facilities for the educational institutions of the city.

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

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This may be sent to the DPI u/o for very early remarks.

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Edn u.o 55232C/45-1
5-12-45

Office of the Director
of Public Instruction,
Madras, 13th Dec.1945.

U.O.Reply No.1372 D/45.

pp.1-27 cf.

Resubmitted with the letter of the Principal, Y.M.C.A.College, Saidapet and the estimates appended therewith. The proposals include the following items:--

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1. New Cricket field ..	Rs.21,000	p15 cf
2. Cricket Pavilion ..	Rs.15,000	p17 cf
3. Fence for Cricket field area	2,050	do
4. Small cricket ground ..	2,000	p19 cf
5. Boats ..	10,000	p21 cf
6. Water supply and sanitation	21,900	p25 cf
7. Boxing arena ..	20,000	p27 cf
8. Extension and levelling of all sports grounds ..	5,100	p13 cf
9. Open air theatre ..	21,300	p23 cf
10. Provision of a large enclosed well	40,000	p7 cf
TOTAL	1,58,350	

pp.13-27 cf

The approximate estimates given by McKenzies limited are for items 1 to 9. The approximate estimates given by the Principal amount to Rs.1,48,000. It may kindly be noted that the estimates are only approximate and that the final estimates may be slightly lower or higher than the figure given above.

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2. The present proposals will provide sporting and recreational amenities for the student population of Madras. I feel that they are essential in the interests of students. Madras schools and colleges do not have extensive playgrounds to cater to the needs of the student population. Hence the Y.M.C.A. deserve credit for coming forward with the present schemes and to

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and to throw open the entire amenities to the schools and colleges in Madras.

3. There is one item, namely, the provision of an open air theatre costing about Rs.21,300 to which objection may be raised. I wish to state that though this does not come directly under physical and sporting activities, yet it is very necessary to have a theatre of this kind where young folk can exhibit their talents in Music, Dancing, etc. It is understood that there is only one other centre of this kind in the whole of India and the provision of such a theatre in Madras will be a great boon to Madras, which is particularly lacking in suitable concert halls and assembly rooms.

p 21 ante

4. When all these schemes have been put into effect, the Saidapet Y.M.C.A. college grounds will become one of the grandest recreational centres in India. Hence, these schemes are strongly recommended for acceptance by Government. As asked for by the Principal of the college. half grant on the estimates to be finally prepared may be promised to the Y.M.C.A. authorities. A

S.R.K. Savoor.

Director of Public Instruction.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,

Edn and P.H. Dept

p 3 of file No.

In 1931, the Govt. alienated 64.38 acres of land at Saidapet valued at Rs.2.56 lakhs for the use of the Y.M.C.A. College at Saidapet. In G.O.No.1474, Edn. dated 5-10-44, the Government sanctioned the payment to the College of a grant not exceeding Rs.2,500 towards the cost of constructing drains in the College compound. In G.O.1353, dated 4-9-1945, the Govt. sanctioned the payment of a grant of Rs.35,000 towards the cost of construction of a swimming pool in the College. The amount was subsequently raised to Rs.43,100 in G.O.No.1908, Edn., dated 14-11-45. No other grant for buildings and equipment of the College has so far been given

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except that women's hostels were provided at Government cost. As regards maintenance grants to the College. ~~Please~~ please see the notes on pages 1-2 n.f. and the order on page 21 c.f. of G.O. 1505, Edn. d/ 24-9-45. The Principal of the College has now asked for a grant for the items mentioned on p.21 ante. the estimated cost of which amounts to Rs 1,58,350. The D.P.I. recommends that, as requested by the Principal, a half grant may be promised to the Y.M.C.A. authorities. It does not seem that any alteration in the conditions of alienation of the land to the college will be required ~~alteration~~ in this connection, as the whole site was alienated to the College for school of physical education for the promotion of athletic games and physical training generally.

please see notes on p.2 n.f. of Ⓐ

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p 22 ante

p19 ante May be approved!

p 1 of file 2279 Keep 16.11.44. ⓒ

Ordinarily the D.P.I. would include the scheme in his approved list and propose provision in Part II of the B.E. As it is too late to consider the proposal in connection with the B.E. for 1946-7 and as the Principal has asked for immediate sanction of a grant, the scheme may be treated as one for introduction in the current year. The file may be sent to Finance for remarks before circulation.

Para 53 A, pp 10-11 of the Grants-in-Aid Code - Book 40 X

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
19 DEC 1945
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Edn. U.O. 55237 C/45-2
19.12.1945.

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Finance (Exp.B).

Please see the letter on pages 1-9 C.F., the remarks of the D.P.I. on pages 21-22 above and E.P.H. note on pp. 22-23 above.

The Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, Saidapet, has applied for ~~building~~ grants aggregating Rs 77,000 for the purpose of developing facilities for games and sports for the educational institutions of the City of Madras. The several items are given in para 1 of D.P.I's note on p.21 above.

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The total cost for all the works is estimated at Rs 1,58,350. The ~~a~~ request is that the Government should give a half grant, the other half being met from the funds of the institut~~ion~~ (Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education.) Both the Director and the E.P.H.Dept. recommend that a half grant may be promised to the Y.M.C.A. authorities. As the Principal of the Y.M.C.A.College has asked for immediate sanction of ~~xxxxx~~ a grant, E.P.H. recommend that the proposal may be treated as a scheme for introduction in the current year.

p 21 above

& A on p 22 above

p 23 above

2. The necessity for each of the works proposed$ is explained in the Principal's letter on pages 1-7 C.F. The D.P.I. has observed that the proposal will provide sporting and recreational amenities for the student population of Madras and that they are essential, since Madras schools and Colleges do not have extensive play grounds to cater to the needs of the student population. ~~While agreeing that~~

$ vide list in the statement on p.21 ante

X on p 21 above

The proposals* of the Y.M.C.A.College so far as they relate to the provision of cricket fields and connected expenditure and ~~on~~ the levelling of play grounds seem acceptable. The proposal¥ for the purchase of boats@ etc., with a view to providing instruction to boys in boating etc., may also be accepted, in view of what is stated at ~~portion~~ A on p.5 C.F. The construction of a theatre -(estimated cost = Rs 21,300-)+ for music festivals ~~xxx~~ does not come under 'Games and Sports facilities', and Finance may ~~strongly~~ advise against any Govt. grant being given for the purpose. The provision of a# boxing arena - estimated cost Rs 20,000 - will not be ~~xx~~ of much use to the majority of students and it appears doubtful whether a grant need be given for this item. As regards the item 'water supply and sanitation' - estimated cost Rs 21,900 - it may be pointed out that there does ~~there do~~ not at present exist any difficulty in the matter of adequate water supply. It is only when the Y.M.C.A.College expands its activities by provision of a theatre for musical and dramatic performances and of a boxing arena there will be a very large number of spectators and people coming to the institution requiring the provision of additional facilities. If the view that the Govt. need not provide a grant for the two items, viz., theatre and boxing ~~ground~~ arena is accepted, and if the Y.M.C.A. College wishes to construct them meeting the entire cost from its own funds, it may be left to meet from its funds any additional expenditure incurred on the provision of water supply and sanitation also. It is submitted in this connection that, while the total expenditure on providing water supply and sanitation is estimated ~~required~~ by the Principal at ~~only~~ Rs 40,000, the D.P.I. has included another Rs 21,900 in addition to the Principal's figure of Rs 40,000. The inclusion of Rs 21,900 over & above Rs 40,000 is apparently a mistake. The point may perhaps be got clarified.

* items 1 to 4 & 8 on p.21 above

¥ p 15 and 21 cf

@ cost Rs10,000- vide item 5 on p.21 ante

+ item 9 on p 21 ante & p.23 cf

# item 7 on p.21 ante & p 27 cf

This is a useful item & may be admitted for the purpose of a grant.
24.12.45 Dir

vide 'M' on p.7 cf.

The intention is to expand the activities of the College in all directions & the provision of adequate water supply & sanitary arrangements is a necessity.
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Pl. see below.
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vide 'M' on p 7 cf.

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items 6 & 10 in the statement on p 21 above.

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Please see below

If a grant is promised only in respect of items 1 to 5 and 8 in the statement on p.21 above, the total (estimated) expenditure comes to Rs 57,150; and if a half grant is to be given it will amount to Rs 28,575 or Rs 28,600 roundly. Finance may suggest that it will be sufficient to promise a half grant for these items, subject to the conditions prescribed in the Grant-in-Code being followed, e.g. approval of plans by the D.P.I., etc.

3. At this stage, the point for consideration is only whether the works proposed should be included in the ~~app~~ list of 'approved works' in order to make them eligible for a half grant. In cases of the kind, the Part II scheme or 'New Service' procedure is followed only when funds have to be provided for the Govt. grant. As the preparation of plans & estimates has not been taken up, it will be sufficient to take up the question of funds next year. E.P.H. may be requested to take orders in circulation including A.1 for the proposal to authorise the D.P.I. to ~~xix~~ include the works in the list of 'approved works'.

If it is possible for the necessary detailed plans & estimates to be prepared and a portion at least of the expenditure incurred in the current year, Fin. need not object to the proposals being sanctioned immediately.
Dir

22/12/45. The several items of work for which a grant has been applied for have been explained in the Principal's letter on pp. 11-19 above & in the D.P.I's note on p. 21 above. The estimates of cost furnished by them differ as shown below.

Items.	Principal's estimate Rs.	D.P.I's estimate Rs.
(1) Cricket fields &c.	66,000. (pp 13 & 15 above)	40,050.
(2) Boats &c.	10,000.	10,000.
(3) Village green field.	2,000.	..
(4) Theatre.	15,000.	21,300
(5) Boxing arena.	15,000.	20,000
(6) Water supply and sanitary arrangements.	40,000.	21,900 + 40,000.
(7) Levelling of all sports grounds.	..	5,100.
Total	1,48,000	1,58,350

The D.P.I.'s figures are based on the approximate estimates furnished by McKenzies Ltd. He seems, however, to ~~be~~ have included double provision for water supply & sanitary arrangements. E & P.H. may get the point clarified as suggested at X on p. 25 above and ~~to~~ obtain a fairly reliable estimate of the total cost involved in the proposals. Meanwhile, the D.P.I.'s estimates, ~~except those~~ omitting the addl. Rs 40,000 relating to water supply & sanitation, may be adopted originally for the ~~present~~ purpose of considering the application for a grant. The total estimated cost will then amount to Rs. 1,18,350.

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Presumably the Rs. 40,000 is for the large sealed well & Rs. 21,900 for extending water-supply & sanitary arrangements over the whole area. D.P.I.'s estimates in full may be taken as the basis for the present, pending clarification of the point.
Dud

All the items, except the open air theatre, seem necessary for the object aimed at, viz. provision of improved facilities for games & sports. Fin: may suggest that the provision for an open air theatre (Rs. 21,300) may be omitted for purposes of determining the amount of a Govt. grant. The proposal to give a half grant in respect of the other items may be agreed to ~~in~~ this deptt. (~~On the basis of the D.P.I.'s figures the~~ The total amount of the grant will be roughly about Rs. 48,500.)

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Cf para 3 of D.P.I's note on p. 22 above

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The Principal has requested that the grant may be made available immediately. K on p. 19 above

Fin: need not object to the proposal being sanctioned for introduction in the current year, subject to the provisions of the Grants-in-aid Code being observed. The proposed expenditure will be ~~is~~ on a "new service" requiring orders in full circulation & the authorisation of H.E. the Governor for a supplementary statement of expenditure. ~~E & P.H. may later obtain accordingly.~~ (As the exp. is non-recurring & the amount does not exceed Rs. 1 lakh the sanction of the Governor-Genl. under the § 93 situation is not necessary.)

+ amount exceeds Rs 10,000

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29.12.45.

I do not think that this Depr need agree to ~~give~~ a grant for cricket purposes. There are suggestions for putting up a stadium

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on the lines of the Brabourne Stadium at Bombay. Probably, this will be located in Madras itself. Anyhow, there are enough cricket enthusiasts in the city, who can subscribe the amount required for cricket purposes at Saidapet.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
7 DEC 1945
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

The proposal to give a grant for a theatre seems to be particularly objectionable. There are enough Sabhas in the city, which students with histrionic talents may take advantage of.

It does not appear that the proposals in this case are very urgent. They can be considered by a future Ministry.

26.12.45

Fin. need not object to the proposal to give a half-grant for all the proposed works except the open-air theatre. There is already a "Memorial Theatre" & there seems to be no adequate reason for the Govt to contribute towards an open air theatre in addition. The works will provide some employment, & it seems desirable to assist the College & enable it to carry them out as soon as possible.

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Fin. No. 59995 E.B.-1
27.12.45

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Education & P.H.Dept.(C)

The Finance Department agree to a grant being promised to the Y.M.C.A. for all the items mentioned on page 21 ante, except for item 9 - Open air theatre and subject to clarification whether provision for both water supply and sanitation - item 6 and for a large enclosed well - item 10 - is necessary. That Department have also no objection to the scheme being sanctioned in the current year subject to the provisions of the Grant-in-Aid Code being observed. As the proposed expenditure will be on a 'New Service' orders may be taken in full circulation.

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[The draft T.M. below with reference to 'A' above may also be issued in the meanwhile.]

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p. 26 ante

We may accept Fin: suggestion that the open-air theatre may be cut out.

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28/12/45

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I strongly support this scheme put forward by the Y.M.C.A. to provide at Saidapet sporting & recreation facilities for the schools & colleges in the City – which greatly lacks such facilities. I agree with the D.P.I.'s remarks on p 22 ante & would not exclude the open air theatre, as suggested by Fin. Sec., who has agreed to all the other items. The Memorial Theatre is, I believe, the same as the open air theatre.

Half grant may be sanctioned for all the items – p 21 ante.

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A1 A2 A3 HE.

I agree to all the proposals – including the theatre – provided it is made clear that the facilities given will be open to other schools & colleges. This is implied in the Principal's letter but I do not see it definitely stated. The grant may be made ~~[illegible]~~ on this condition.

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Some of the items have already been carried out – at least in part – e.g. the open air theatre was built with GWF money and the cricket ground was levelled with USA bulldozers. There has not yet, I think, been a decision by the Executive Committee that all the GWF money spent on permanent constructions in the YMCA grounds shall now be regarded as gifted to the YMCA, now that the war is over. There ought to be a decision on this before additional money is spent. In the case of other

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institutions like Toc H and the Salvation Army the buildings are still considered to belong to the G.W.F.

A I am in favour of the general proposals to improve the YMCA for sports.

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I agree with A1 that the grant may be made on the condition that the facilities provided will be made available to all schools & colleges in Madras.

8.1.46

C.O. 15/1
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The file may be recirculated to A2 and A1 for perusal of the minutes of the other Advisers, before circulation to HE.

BRM 15/1/46 S

15/1/46. A2 A1.

It is perfectly clear from the Principal's letter that the facilities given will be open to other schools & colleges in the City: ~~[illegible]~~ : it may be again made clear in the order. The Ex. Committee may be asked for a decision as suggested by A4, but this need not hold up the order.

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I agree NL 20-1-46

The file may now be marked for HE

BRM 21/1/46 S /

I agree with A1 & A2.
AH. 29/1/46.

Secretary, Edn. and P.H. Dept. 21 JAN 1946 Government of Madras

Madras Governor's Secretariat 22 JAN 1946 432

Secretary, Edn. and P.H. Dept. 30 JAN 1946 Government of Madras

Please see the orders in circulation on the previous page. A draft order is subd. A draft D.O. is also subd.

(A2 desired this 17th: Budget not be in [illegible]?)

As regards the Finance dept note at A on page 26 ante please see the t.m from the D.P.I on page 31 cf.

Action will be taken separately on B on the previous page.

Finance may see before the draft order is issued.

30/1/46.

31/1/46 S/F. 31/1/46

Fin no 55237 C/46-3
31.1.46

Fin (Exp.B).

(Previous Fin. note on pp. 23-27 above).

The orders in circulation on pp. 28-29 above & the drafts may be perused.

With reference to the last sentence in para 2 of the draft order, it is subd. that the plans & estimates have to be approved by the D.P.I., before the Y.M.C.A. College takes up the works. It does not appear likely that any (substantial amount of) grant can be drawn ~~paid~~ in the current year, as the grant is paid ~~paid~~ on the ~~post~~ post-execution system. This dept. may suggest that the words "in 1945-6" may be omitted & the other slight change indicated in pencil in the last sentence of para 2 of the draft order may be made.

& cf. Rule 53(ii) of Grant-in-Aid Code (put up).

cf. Rule 55 of the Grant-in-Aid Code.

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From A4's minute on p. 28 above, it will be seen that some of the items have already been carried out — at least in part. It is however, not necessary to ask the D.P.I. specifically to disburse the grant ~~in~~ 1945-6. This may be left to him.

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Fin no 6206 EBS
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The draft order as amended by Finance may issue.

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[G.O. No. 215 Edn d. 31-1-46]

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
31 JAN 1946
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Edn and P.H. Dept
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T. M. by post

From
The Secy to Govt, Edn and P.H. Dept

To
The D.P.I.

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Grant to the Y.M.C.A College of Physical Education for certain items of improvement. Ref D.P.I's t.m d 21.3.46.

p.t.o.

Please furnish urgently information as to the work done before ~~on the following points~~ the issue of G.O. No: 215 Edn d 31.1.46 and the grants given towards it from the Governor's war fund.

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Telephone No. 88205.

The Y. M. C. A. College of Physical Education
SAIDAPET, MADRAS.

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
28 MAR 1946
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

28th March, 1946.

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Dear Mr. Subramaniam,

Your reference re the gifts from H.E. The Governor's War Fund. The query - "Are they complete gifts, or will they revert to the Fund?"

Reply-

Sir Robert Denniston informs me by telephone that some time ago a list of gifts from the Fund were forwarded to H.E. the Governor, with a request for his approval of them as complete gifts. In that list is included all gifts made to the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education.

His Excellency has replied that he agrees in principle to the recommendation of the War Fund Committee.

We may take it for granted therefore, it is submitted, that the swimming pool, sanitation blocks, boat house and all other immovable structures toward which the War Fund has contributed, will remain the property of the Y.M.C.A. College.

If a further reference is required, I may kindly be informed.

Yours sincerely,

C S Moffat
C.S. Moffat
Principal.

To
M.V. Subramanian, Esq.,
Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George,
Madras.

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Telephone(Post copy with enclosure). dated 28.3.1946.

From
The Director of Public Instruction, Madras

To
The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education and Public Health Department.

Reference:-Your telephonic message of date (26.3.46) regarding grant to the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education for certain items of improvement.

A copy of the letter from the Principal, Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education furnishing the information called for is submitted herewith.

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For Director of Public Instruction.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
28 MAR 1946
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.
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Madras,
27th March, 1946.

From
The Principal,
Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education,
Saidapet.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
28 MAR [illegible]
MADRAS

To
The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

Sir,

Ref: Your letter dated 18th March 1946.

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In reply to your telephone message - "Please furnish information at once as to the items of work done before the issue of G.O. No.215 Edn., dated 31-1-46 with the grant given towards it from the Governor's War Fund" - I have the honour to state as follows:-

20,000
21,300
41,300

Item 1 - Boxing Arena and Open Theatre.- The two items were estimated at Rs. 41,300/-. We have so far spent Rs. 32,148-5-5. No contribution was received from the Governor's War Fund towards this item. Hence we request that half grant may be given on this item.

Item 2 - Boat and Boat-houses.- The original estimate was for Rs. 10,000/-. Actually we find that we have already spent Rs. 10,260/- and we have calculated that it will cost us about Rs. 6,000/- more to finish the flooring, lighting, etc. On this expenditure of Rs. 16,000/- we expect a government grant equal to half the amount and the other half will be met by a contribution from the Governor's War Fund. As we have already spent Rs. 10,260/- we request that a half grant on that amount may be given now so that we might be enabled to carry out the remaining work.

Item 3 - Water supply and Sanitation.- This was estimated at Rs. 21,900/-. The work done so far has amounted to Rs. 22,972-2-6. Half the expenditure on this item will be met from the Governor's War Fund and we request that a half grant on Rs. 22,972/- may be paid now from Government Funds.

It will be noted that on item 1 no gift or grant has been received. Under item 3, half of the cost has been met from the Governor's War Fund.

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Under item 2, the total cost of completion will amount to Rs. 16,000/-. On this we expect a half grant to enable us to finish the work in hand. It is submitted that the same procedure may be followed as for the Swimming Pool, and a grant sanctioned that will enable us to complete the structure and thus make adequate use of it for the Y.M.C.A. College, and for the schools and colleges of the city.

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

CSMoffat
C.S. Moffat
Principal.

Additional work to be completed when the requested Grant is received:

		Value of incomplete work
Boat House	1. Floor 2. Electric Supply 3. Rivetment for Boat storage.	Rs. 6.000
Value of Boats (Not paid for from Governor's War Fund)	20 Boats @ Rs. 300/- each.	" 6,000
Water Supply and Sanitation.		
Unit I.	1. Wash Basins 2. Adequate septic tank. 3. Brick & cement approaches.	" 2,000
Unit II.	1. New water tank 2. Water supply. 3. Wash Basins. 4. Brick & Cement approaches.	" 30,000

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PHONE:
BUNGALOW. 88206.
H[illegible]. 88127.

Y. M. C. A. College of Physical Education
Saidapet, Madras.

29 MAR 1946

29-3-46

Dear Mr. Subramaniam:-

I am so sorry to worry you about our precious grant when this is such a busy week.

It was kind of you to tell me on the phone last evening that delay had occurred in forwarding the file to Sir Norman beacuse the explanatory letter from the Principal replying to questions had not reached you. The delay occurred because the Principal is new, and not yet familiar with proceedure, so he did not send a copy of the important letter directly to you. And sent the priginal in a cover addressed, correctly, to the D.P.I., who is not in town. He and Mr. Lobo were giving government examinations all of yesterday afternnon, and I could not reach them until after 5 P.M.

It is most unfortunate, and worrying.

Mr. Lobo came out to advise us, and has asked me to take a copy of the letter directly to you at 11 A.M. today, and then to wait until the file has been taken to Sir Norman, and orders passed. That is too bold a policy even for me. So I am sending a copy of this to Sir Norman. I then propose to act as follows.

My peon will await you on your ~~arri~~ arrival at office. He will hand you this letter. Time must be allowed to deal with the file. Unless I hear from you to the contrary by phone, I shall not appear at your office until 2 P.M. At that hour I shall call, and hope to find the orders passed. There will still be time for me to get the prepared bills signed and to the Treasury before 3 P.M. It is very risky to wait until tomorrow, as we cannot cash after 12 noon. And this is vitally important to us, as we are undertaking a vastly expanded programme of activities for schools and colleges, using the facilities for troops, given us by the War Fund; if we get the funds with which to complete them.

One important point has arisen in

scussion with

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The War Fund Committee. Any grant made to us, was considered by them as for construction, equipment, and maintenance until the particular amenity was well established. We have carefully used all grants for construction only. And from our own private funds purchased equipment and paid staff for maintenance. We should have, with the grant for the boat house, have set aside half of it for boats, and used R 5,000 only for construction. This serious error upon our part ~~xxxxx~~ has now placed us in this difficulty. And the boat house stands as an empty shell, without a floor, or electric lighting or storage for the boats (20) given to us.

If the query over the boats and ~~xxxxx~~ boat house cannot be solved in time, may we ask that the other items at least be passed, so that we may collect the grant today ?

It was kind of you to tell me, that you are satisfied, and believe me not only all of us, but many schools and colleges will be made happy for many years to come if we are able to get the grant in time today. And we here at the college will know how grateful we should be to you, for all of your kind and understanding help-

Yours sincerely,

M. M. Buck

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E. &P. H. Dept.

Memo No. 16057C/464 Edn. dated 2.4.1946.

For this action

Issued today

2/4/46

Y. M. C. A. College of Physical Education - Improvements - Grants.

Letter from the Principal, Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education dated 27-3-1946. 21.3.46
T Ms from the D.P.I. 28.3.46

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In G.O. No.215 Edn., dated 31-1-1946, the Government sanctioned the inclusion in the list of approved works certain items of improvements to the YMCA College of Physical Education, Saidapet and stated that the Y.M.C.A. would be eligible for a grant of one-half of the actual expenditure, but not exceeding Rs.79,175. The DP.I. has brought to notice that expenditure on the ~~itmes~~ items of improvements mentioned below were incurred before the issue of the orders in the G.O. cited and enquires whether grants may be paid in respect of the expenditure:-

p 1 NF

Items.	Expenditure incurred. Rs.
(1) Boxing arena and Open air theatre.	32,148- 5 - 5
(2) Boats and Boat house	10,260- 0 - 0
(3) Water supply and sanitation	22,972- 2 - 6

65,380-7-11

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2. The Y.M.CA. has received from the Governor's War Fund a grant of Rs.10,260 for item (2) and of Rs.11,486 for item (3) above. The Government direct that these grants ~~may~~ be treated as the management's contribution. They also direct that no grant need be paid for item (2) as the entire expenditure so far incurred has been met from the Governor's War Fund. A grant of Rs.16,074 equal to one-half of the expenditure already incurred may be disbursed for item (1). The maximum grant promised for item (3), based on the estimate already approved, is Rs.10.950 and this amount may be paid for it. The Director is requested to arrange for the grants being disbursed as early as possible.

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The expenditure will be debited to the head "37 Edn. B. General - Misc - B. 8 - Non- European - Other grants".

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4. The Principal, Y. M. C. A. College of Physical Education, may address Government through the D. P. I. for approval of the revised estimates for items (2) and (3), when the question of grants for the addl. expenditure will be considered.

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31/3/46

To

The D.P.I.
" A. G. thro' the Finance Dept.
" Principal, Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Edn., Saidapet.

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1605 Post copy of Telephonic Message dated the 21st March 1946.

From the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
To the Secretary to Government, Education & P.H.Department, Madras.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
22 MAR 1946
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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Ref: G.O.Ms.No.400 Edn., dated 25-2-1946 regarding grant for certain items of improvements - Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, Saidapet.

The Principal, Y.M.C.A.College of Physical Education has submitted vouchers in respect of certain items of the scheme and requests the payment of the grant. It is, however, observed that some of the vouchers submitted relate to expenditure incurred in 1943-44 and 1944-45, before the grant was promised by Government. Please let me know whether the expenditure during these years can be accepted for purposes of payment of the grant sanctioned in G.O.No.Ms.215 Edn., dated 31-1-1946.

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An urgent reply is requested so as to enable me to sanction the payment of the grant.

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for Director of Public Instruction.

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Edn and P.H.Dept

(b) The Govt were ~~already~~ aware that some of the ~~items~~ C of work were already carried out at least in part before the grant was promised - please see A3 to (then A4) minute on page 28 cf of G.O. No: 215 Edn of 31.1.46 and Finance note on p.30 NF of the G.O.

The D.P.I may be informed that expenditure incurred in previous years also may be accepted for purposes of grant provided ~~they~~ such expenditure relates to items specified in the G.O. Finance may see.

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23.3.46

Finance (Exp.-B)

Please see the T.M. from the Dir of Public Instruction on p.1 and E.P.H. note on pages 1-3 above.

M.1-9 c.f. G.O. 215 Edn 31-1-46 (b).

It is submitted that the application for a half grant made in December 1945 by the authority of the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, Saidapet, contained no request for a grant towards expenditure incurred by them before the date of that application. What they said was that they proposed to carry out some works and that Government assistance was needed to carry out those works. With reference to the remarks of E.P.H. on page 1 above, it is submitted that A-3 (then A-4) no doubt minuted that the open air theatre (one of the items for which grants were sanctioned), for instance, had already been built, but he did not in terms suggest that any expenditure which might have been incurred so early as in 1943-44 or in 1944-5 before the date of the G.O. (b) sanctioning grants should be taken into account for the purpose of payment of the grant. As the matter is not free from doubt with reference to the previous orders in full G.O., E.P.H. may be requested to take orders in full circulation ~~including A-1~~ now on the point raised by the Director, viz. whether the expenditure incurred in 1943-4 and in 1944-5 before the grant was promised by Government can be accepted for the purpose of payment of the grant.

cf p. 28 n.f. of G.O. (b).

in the G.O. at (b).

C.M. on p. 1 above

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23.3.46. (The amount involved & the item or items of works to which it relates have not been reported by the D.P.I.)

23.3.46. Apparently the work done before issue of ~~the~~ G.O. was done with the help of grants from the Govr's War Fund. If so, there seems to be no reason to take such expre. into account for Govt grant now unless the grants from the Govr's War Fund have to be repaid now. But

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~~4~~ obtaining further orders in Gᵐ, E.P.H. may obtain particulars from the D.P.I. of the work done before issue of the G.O. & the grants given towards it from the Govr's War Fund & may also ascertain from Public whether any part of the grants from the Govr's War Fund has to be repaid now.

Dcd
23.3.46 E.P.H.

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
1946
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

A draft t.m to the D.P.I is subd with reference to A above. The file may be sent to Public for remarks with reference to B above, after issue of the t.m

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PUBLIC (WAR) DEPARTMENT.

Edn. U.0160374/46-2
25.3.46.

UNDER SECRETARY
1015
25 MAR 1946
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

The file relates to the payment of grant to the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education. Please see Finance Secretary's note above. With reference to portion sidelined 'B' it is submitted that it is seen from a recent reference received from the P.S.G. that the question of disposal of properties etc. purchased from grants made by the Governor's War Fund is under consideration by a Sub-Committee of the Finance Sub-Committee, that H.E. Sir Arthur Hope approved of the general lines on which the Sub-Committee was working and that it will take some more time for the question to be discussed and decided by the Executive Committee of the Provincial War Committee. It seems that a decision on this question should be awaited.

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With the above remarks this may be returned to E. & P. H.

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The reply to the t.m sent to the D.P.I. may be awaited.

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The items of work done before the issue of G.O.215-Edn., dated 31-1-46, and the grants given for them from the Govr.'s War Fund are as shown below:

b/33-34 cf.

	Estimated cost.	Maximum grant promised.	Expre. already incurred.	Amount of grant from Govr.'s War Fund.	Govt.grant now payable.
	Rs	b/33 cf. Rs	Rs p.9 cf	Rs	Rs
(1) Boxing arena and open-air theatre – Group III	41,300	20,650	32,148-5-5	Nil	16,074
(2) Boats and boat-house	10,000	5,000	10,260	10,260	-
(3) Water supply and sanitation – Group II	21,900	10,950	22,972-2-6	11,486	10,950

Item (1) above: No grant has been paid for this item from the Govr.'s War Fund. Grant equal to half of the expre. incurred may be paid.

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Item (2) above: It is seen, from the letter of the Principal on p.9 C.F., that it is proposed to incur an addl. expre. of Rs.6,000 on boat house. But in the annexure to his letter (C.F.11), he has stated that an addl. sum of Rs.6,000 is required for boats. It has been ascertained × from him that a grant to cover the expre. already incurred, viz., Rs.10,260, has been recd. from the Govr.'s War Fund. The Principal has requested that as in the case of the swimming × pool, a grant to cover the expre. in excess of the grant recd. from the Govr.'s War Fund, may be paid. If this is accepted, the grant payable is Rs.5,740 against Rs.5,000 promised. As a grant has already been recd. from the Govr.'s War Fund for the expre. incurred, no grant need be paid now. The Principal may be asked to address Govt. again for approval of the revised estimates, when the question of giving a half-grant for the addl. expre. may be considered.

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G.O. No 1353 4-9-45 (G)
+ G.O. No. 1908 14-11-45 (Q)

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Item (3) above: The estimate for this item as actually approved is Rs.21,900. The Principal states that an expre. of Rs.22,972-2-6 has already been incurred and that the cost of the addl. work to be completed is Rs.32,000. Half of the expre. already incurred has been met by a grant from the Govr.'s War Fund. A grant of Rs.10,950 which was promised by Govt. may be paid, the Principal being asked to address Govt. for

p.9 cf.
p.11 cf.
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a~~h~~half-grant in respect of the addl. expre.

As regards the point raised by the Fin. Secy. in his note on pp.3-4 ante, attention is invited to the note of the Pub.(War) Dept. on p.4 ante and the letter of Mr.Moffat and its encl. on pp. 3-5 C.F.

It will be seen from the letter on p.5 C.F. that the intention was to treat the grants to the Y.M.C.A. from the Govr.'s War Fund as an outright payment without any obligation of re-payment. In view of this, it does not seem necessary to wait for the decision referred to at "D" on p.4 ante, for settling the question of payment of grants to the Y.M.C.A. for the works refd. to above. The grants paid to the Y.M.C.A. from the Governor's War Fund may be treated as the management's contribution and the Govt. grant may be paid as proposed above.

The file may be sent to Pub.(War) and Fin. before circulation.

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S | It does not now appear possible to have payment made this year. It is presumed there will be no difficulty in arranging payment early next year; Fin: may advise.

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Pub: (War)

Fin:

Particularly in view of 'D' on p.4 ante above.

This applies to 3 dealt with on p.5 ante.

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DEPUTY SECRETARY
29 MAR 1946
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

Edn & P.Hlth No: 16057C,-3
29.3.46

PUBLIC (WAR) DEPARTMENT.

Please see the previous notes of this department on p.4 above and the further notes ~~by~~ of E. & P. H. at pp.5-6 above. This department is concerned with the question as to ~~which~~ whether the grants made to the Y.M.C.A. from H.E. the Governor's Amenities and Relief Fund are to be considered as unconditonal grants or whether the question of refund is to be considered. This department suggested on p.4 above that, as a special sub-committee of the Finance Sub-Committee is considering separately the question of disposal of properties etc. purchased from H.E. the Governor's Amenities and Relief Fund, this Y.M.C.A. question may lie over till a final decision is arrived at by the special Sub-Committee. E. & P. H. however suggest that, in view of the letters on pp.3 and 5 c.f., it is not necessary to await that decision but that the grants made to the Y.M.C.A. may be treated as unconditional ones. For orders whether the views of E. & P. H. Department may be accepted. E. & P. H. may be requested to obtain orders ~~from~~ on circulation on this point also when the file is circulated with reference to Finance Secretary's note on p.3 above. After orders are passed the file may be passed on to Finance.

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S' on p.3 above

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Pub may agree with Secy Edn & P.H.

The case may please be circulated to A3 ~~as well as to A.1~~

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Pub (War)
U. O. No. 64/46 PWL
29-3-46

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
29 MAR 1946
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Finance

Fin (Exp. B).

Please see this dept.'s note on pp.3-4 and E. P. H. note on pp. 5-6 above. Subject to orders in full circulation on the main question at S on p.3 above, this dept. may agree with E.P.H. that the amounts contributed from the Governor's war fund towards the works for which a half-grant was sanctioned in G.O. 215 Edn. (b) d 31-1-46 may be treated as the management's (i.e. Y.M.C.A. College's) contribution. The proposals of E.P.H. in regard to the several items on pp. 5-6 above may be accepted.

cf. portion 'Y' on p. 6 above.

x pp. 33-34 c.f.

2. Funds. With reference to E.P.H. Secy.'s note on p. 6 above, it is subtd. that there is no objection to authorizing the A.G. to disburse the grants next year, pending A [provision of funds by reappropriation. The expre. is debitable to the head "37. Education - R. General - Miscellaneous - B. 8. ~~Non-European~~ - Other grants."

No provision has been made for the expr. in 1946-47. (As the expr. was on a new service, H.E.'s authorization for [illegible] was obtained in the current year.)

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A above - If the grant is disbursed before the proclamation under Sec. 93 of the G. of I. Act is revoked, the AG. will include the amount in the statement of Expr. incurred between the 1st April 46 and the date of revocation of the Proclamation and it will be included in the Revised

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The amount thus shown will form part of the appropriation for the year. If the grant is disbursed only after the revocation of the Proclamation, the amount required will have to be included in the estimate of expenditure to be voted by the Legislature. There will be no question of reappropriation in either case.

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29.3.46.

There is no objection to disbursement of the grant in 1946-7 & steps may be taken to have it disbursed early in April 1946. N

The proposals of E.P.H. are accepted in Finance, except that I would suggest that, if the College applies for a separate grant for the item "boats & boat-house" on an increased estimate of total cost in due course & the Govt ~~sanction~~ a grant, it would be appropriate to grant 50% ~~of~~ the total approved ~~total~~ expre, subject to a ~~limit of for~~ condition that the grant should not exceed the excess of the total approved expre over the grant received for the purpose from H.E.'s War Fund. K

It is for E.P.H. to consider whether orders in full Cn are necess., ~~in view of~~ as the proposal is to modify slightly the previous orders in full Cn. As the proposed modification is comparatively small & only results in slightly less expre for the present (Rs. 5,000 less grant on account of the proposed exclusion of the item "boats & boat-house"), Fin. need only ask for Cn to A1 now. M

It is suggested that E.P.H may consider separately the general question whether, in regard to all grants to private bodies & local authorities for educl & medical works & equipment, it would be desirable to impose a condition that the Govt grant should not exceed the total approved expre on the object less all contributions received from other sources for this specific object, & to prescribe a corresponding certificate to be furnished when drawing the grants. A

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30.3.46

E.P.H.

extracts taken & given to B1 Medicine
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1/4/46.

Edn and P.H Dept C1.

Fin. U.O. 17730 A.G.-1
30.3.46.

The file may now be circulated. The suggestion at A above will be examined separately.

A draft Memo is subd. (As indicated in "M" above, I do not consider the full Cn necessary here)

30/3/46.

RM ~~31~~ 2/4/46 S

2 APR 1946

1/4/46 Ag. A.S. A1.

May be approved.
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Seen
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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
6 APR 1946