

E.&P.H.

(1947) Department.

SERIES.

G.O. NO. Ms.960 Edn.

Dated 9th May 1947.

[Despatch Abstract.]

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS - Supply of Government publications to members of legislature - Orders in G.O.No.2096 Edn. dated 2-11-1946 cancelled.

Back Papers.

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Further Papers.

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Gov's Secy
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J. B. Smith
 23-11-46 ES

2-21/46



D.O. No. 4406 B/46-2

GOVERNMENT HOUSE
Guindy,
23rd November 1946.

My dear Subramanian,

I return G.O.No.2096, Education,
dated the 2nd November 1946 with a copy of
the letter dated 20th November 1946 from
the Hon'ble the Speaker to His Excellency.
Please deal with this representation and
have the file circulated to His Excellency
through the Hon'ble the Prime Minister
and other Hon'ble Ministers concerned.

Yours sincerely,

J.B. Brund
23 Nov 46

M.V. Subramanian Esq., ICS.,
Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Madras 9.



Copy of letter from the Hon'ble the Speaker of the Madras Legislative Assembly to H.E. the Governor dated 20-11-1946.

By the G.O.No.Ms.2096, Edcn. dated 2-11-1946, the Legislators are requested to obtain the copies of all Government Publications on loan from the Library of the Madras Legislature. The Legislators are given certain privileges regarding Supply of "Official Papers." For your information, I herewith enclose a booklet which gives information regarding this matter. I desire to draw Your Excellency's attention to page 12 section 3. Even as a measure of economy the G.O., is an encroachment on the privileges of the members. It is not possible for the members to take all Government Publications on loan from the Library. It is the duty of all the members to go through the publications, so that they may be well posted with facts about the administration of our Province. By spending a few thousand rupees for the Free Supply of Government Publications, the Government is not going to incur a great loss. I shall be very much thankful to Your Excellency if you will reconsider the G.O., and cancel it.

Thanking Your Excellency in anticipation.
/True copy/

Shubhakar
Superintendent,
Governor's Secretariat.

hgh
23.11.46.

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From
The Assistant Secretary,
Madras Legislative, Fort St. George,
Madras.

To
The Superintendent,
Government Press, Madras.

Dated:- 12th April 1947.

Sub:- Books and Publications - Supply to Members of the Madras Legislature.

With reference to Correspondence relating with the Madras Legislature Secretariat Letter No.1893/47-4 M.L dated 29-3-1947, I have to state that for want of information regarding the number of copies of the several publications that are to be supplied for the Library of the Legislature for the use of the Hon'ble Members, the printing of many of the reports are held over or delayed. To obviate delay and pending the issue of final orders, I am arranging to supply copies of the reports etc. to the Members direct as was done prior to the issue of orders in G.O.No.MS.2096 Edcn. dated 2nd November 1946.

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Books and Publications -
Supply of Govt. L.S.
Publications to
members of Legislature
- Orders passed.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department
Fort St. George, Madras.

Sd/- A. Lepper,
Superintendent.

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Superintendent.

Ed. & P. H.
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Dodged.
16/4/47.

The main file on the subject has been sent to
 H.E. with the file bearing No. 725/3 on 21.4.47.
 This may be added to it on its return.
 This is ^{only} a copy of letter addressed to the Secy
 of the Legislature sent to Govt for information.
 It may be added to the main file on its
 return from circulation.
 S.L.
 24.4.47.

Ex.P.H.(31) circulation

Books and publications - Supply of
 Govt publications to members
 of legislature - Orders in
 G.O. No. 2096 Edn dated 2-11-46
 cancelled.

G.O./Ms. No. 960 Edn dated 9.5.47

In supersession of the orders
 in G.O. No. 2096 Edn dated 2-11-46, H.E.
 the Governor of Madras directs that
 copies of Govt publications may be
 continued to be supplied to all
 members of the legislature as hitherto.
 The S.S.P. is requested to bring

to the notice of Govt any cases in which members of the legislature ask for an unduly large number of official publications.

28.4.47

To

The S.G.P.

Secy. Madras Legislative

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Copy to Pub. Secy. (Elections)

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E & P.H. Dept. (F1)

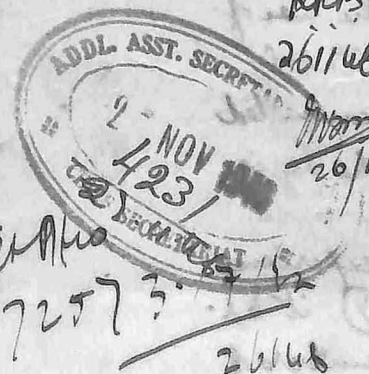
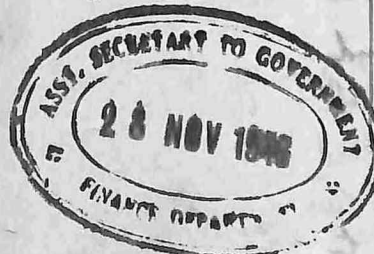
Sub:-Books and Publications - Supply of Government Publications to Members of Legislature - Reconsideration of the orders passed in G.O. No.2096 Edn., dated 2-11-1946. - Orders passed.

C.No. 74573 From the Governor's Secretary, D.O. No.4406.B/46-2 dated 23.11.1946.

Please see the letter from Hon'ble the Speaker and the Governor's Secretary's D.O. on pages 1 and 2 C.F. The Hon'ble the Speaker requests reconsideration of G.O.2096 Edn. dated 2-11-1946 as in his view even as a measure of economy the G.O. is an encroachment on the privileges of the members. In this connection it is pointed out that it is the duty of all members of the Legislature to go through the publications so that they may be well posted about the points about the orders of the Province.

Since the outbreak of the War and until recently printing of official publications was restricted to barest minimum in view of the scarcity of paper and the lack of printing machinery. Only during the last one year or so after the termination of the hostilities, official reports and publications have been printed. In view of the request of Hon'ble the Speaker, it is for consideration whether general instructions may be issued to the Departments of Secretariat and the S.G.P. that in future printing of official publications, the printing of the number of copies may be increased to such a level as to permit the supply of copies to all members of the Legislature.

The remarks of Public(Elections) and Finance may be invited U.O. before circulation.



Pub(Elec) No 4231/46-1
28.11.46

Pub (Elec) / Finance
Pub (Elec)
No remarks in Pub
27.11.46
A above speed to

Please see the letter from the Hon'ble the Speaker on page 2 C.F. and ~~see~~ the remarks of Ed. & P.H. and Public overlying.

This Dept. may agree to the proposal of Ed. & P.H. at A on p. 1 above and return the case to Ed. & P.H. w/o.

See below
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28.11.46

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on p. 12 of "Notes for the use of the Members of the Madras Legislative Assembly" provides for the supply of official publications of the classes usually available to the public for which they may specially apply. It is not all members of the Legislature that would apply for all official publications. It would be sufficient if the Dept. allow a margin to meet these requisitions with reference to the nature and importance of the publications and the possible demands from members of the Legislature. The instructions proposed to be issued at A on p. 1 above may be modified suitably.

KRW
28.11.46

(very extravagant & wasteful to print a sufficient number of all non-confidential official publications for copies to be supplied to all members of the Legislature. E.P.H. recently issued instructions that all measures of proper economy should be kept in force as the proper situation is still difficult. A copy may be put up in the case for reference. If the matter is left as at X above, it appears that some members of the Legislature are likely to make unreasonable requests for supply of an unduly large number of official publications, as is indicated by the list on pp. 5-6 C.F. and portion A on p. 7 N.F. in ⑦. It may be considered whether it would not be better to draw up a standard list of official publications that will be supplied free to members of the Legislature on application, if it is considered essential to make any such supply in addition to what is covered by items 1 and 2 in III on p. 12 of the "Notes for the use of M.L.A.s". In that case item III would have to be suitably amended. Other publications would be available to be consulted in, or borrowed from, the library of the Legislature, and would have to be kept there in sufficient numbers to meet the probable demand, as indicated by experience. From what the Supt. Govt. Press, says at B on p. 1 in ⑦, it appears that official publications that are supplied to members of the Legislature on condition of return when they cease to be are not often returned. If supply of such publications continued, it may be considered whether supply



Encl. 6496 MB-1
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it would not be desirable to provide that the supply shall be made ^{by} through the Secretary of the Legislature, on receipt from the member of a prescribed deposit, which shall be returned to the member when ^{the} books returnable by him have been returned. Either a single deposit to cover all or any of the ^{returnable} publications on a standard list or a deposit of a % of the value of each ^{returnable} publication supplied might be prescribed.

29.11.46

E.P.H.

E.P.H. (F)

The suggestions at A on p. 1 above of B on p. 2 above may be put to the Secretary, Madras Legislative Assembly, for consideration.

29.11.46

Secy, Leg. Sec.

Legislature Secretariat.

The hon'ble Speaker while not insisting that all non-confidential official publications should be supplied to all Members of the Legislature he is strongly of the opinion that the privileges at present enjoyed by Members regarding the free supply of Government publications as contained in the notes for the use of Members of the Madras Legislature should not be curtailed. The reasons for this have already been given in his D.O. dated the 20th November 1946 to His Excellency the Governor. In this connection it may be pointed out that it is only a very few Members of the Legislature who are guilty of asking for the supply of an unduly large number of official publications and the evil has not assumed such large proportions as to warrant an immediate remedy.

2. As regards the suggestion contained in the Finance Secretary's note that a deposit might be taken from the Members concerned who borrow publications of a permanent value such as Codes, Statutes,

Manuals etc., which under the existing arrangements they undertake to return at their own cost on the termination of their tenure of office, it may be stated that this course will be very unpopular and will be strongly resented by the Members of the Legislature. In the event of non-return of such books it is always open to us to recover the price thereof as in the case of books belonging to the Legislature Library lost by Members. If there are extreme cases where it is not possible to so recover -- such cases I dare say will be very few -- the loss will have to be written off.

DN.
6/12/46

E.P.H.(F.I.).

648-14(212) U.O. 6123/46-1M.L.

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The file may be circulated to H.M. (Gen)
H.P.M. and the Government Secretary.

KAS
7/12/46

E.&P.H.(F.I.).

THE file relates to the supply of Government Publications to members of Legislature. As suggested by the S.G.P. and with the concurrence of the Public Elections Department, Orders were issued in G.O. No. 2096 Education, dated 2-11-1946, directing that ~~all~~ members of the Legislature might be requested to obtain copies of all Government Publications on loan from the Library of the Madras Legislature; the Secretary, Madras Legislature, was also requested to arrange to stock adequate number of copies of all Government Publications to meet the demands from members of the Legislature. With reference to this, the Hon'ble the speaker of the Madras Legislative Assembly states that it is not possible for the members to take all Government Publications on loan from the library and that by spending a few thousand rupees for the free supply of Government Publications, Government ~~is~~ ^{are} not going to incur a great loss. He therefore requests that the G.O. may be cancelled.

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2. Since the outbreak of the war and until recently, printing of official publications was restricted to barest minimum in view of the scarcity of paper and the lack of printing machinery. Only during the last one year or so after the termination of ~~the~~ hostilities, official reports and publications have been printed. Now in view of the request of Hon'ble the Speaker, it was suggested for consideration whether general instructions might be issued to the Departments of the Secretariat and the S.G.P. that, in future printing of official publications, the printing of the number of copies might be increased to such level as to permit the supply of copies to all members of the Legislature. This was agreed to by the additional Chief Secretary, Public Elections Department. But the Finance Secretary considers that it would be very extravagant and wasteful to print a sufficient number of all non-confidential official publications for copies to be supplied to all members of the Legislature. The Finance Secretary also suggests that it may be considered:

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(1.) Whether it would not be better to draw up a standard list of official publications that will be supplied free to members of the Legislature on application, and

(2) Whether it would not be desirable to provide that the supply shall be made by the Secretariat of the Legislature only on receipt from the member of a prescribed deposit, which shall be returned to the member when the books returnable by him have been returned.

3. The Secretary Madras Legislature who was consulted in the matter says that it is only a very few members of the Madras Legislature who are guilty of asking for the supply of an unduly large number of Official Publications and the evil has not assumed such large proportions as to warrant an immediate remedy.

4. As regards the Finance Secretary's suggestion that a deposit might be taken from the Members concerned who borrow publications of a permanent value such as Codes, Statutes Manuals etc., the Secretary, Madras Legislature, says that it will be strongly resented to by the Members of the Legislature. The Secretary suggests that in the event of the non-return of such books it is open to him to recover the price thereof as in the case of books belonging to the Legislature Library lost by members, and that if there are extreme cases where it is not possible to so recover, the loss will have to be written off.

In the foregoing circumstances The file may be circulated to H.M. (Education), H.P.M. and H.E. the Governor for orders-Vide on page 1 c.f. as to whether the G.O. dt 9/7

may be cancelled, members of the Legislature being supplied official Papers as laid down in Section III, p 12 of the booklet put up

(2) whether the suggestions of Finance Secy - para 2 above - will be approved.

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Pub. (Elects) & Fin: see above before to be taken

Public (Elects) & Fin: by

The note above - p 5 & ante - summarizes the case. The view of the Secy, Govt at x above may be agreed to and the file passed



Pro: (Elects)

Fin:

2 P.M. 726/3-32-50

on to Finance

led A.C. has already accepted this at 11/12/46

Pub (Elec) No 4383/46-1 11.12.46



72633/46-1 11.12.46

Finance (Accts. B)

Previous Finance notes on pp 2-3 above and further notes may be perused.

This department may also agree to the proposal of E & P.H. Secretary at 'X' on page 7 above. The S.G.P. may at the same time be requested to bring to the notice of the E. & P.H. Deptt. —

(1) any cases in which members of the Legislature ask for an unduly large number of official publications, and

(2) any cases in which instances of non-return of Codes, Statutes and etc. issued to

Manuals/ Members of the Legislature on condition of return when they cease to be Members are not returned

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E.P.H.

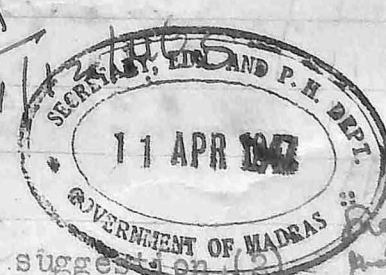
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Please see the summarizing note on p. 5-b supra the Finance note above. The suggestion at P above may be accepted. The file may now be circulated to H.M. (Law), H.P.M. & H.E.

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21/12/46



I am afraid that suggestion above will be impracticable.

G.P.R.

10-4-47.

H.M. (Law) & H.M. (Law) 726/3-32-50

before circulation to the

11/4/47

(N) (Cv.)

(N) (Law)

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While the suggestion of Finance may be impracticable, I think,

we must accept the moderate demands made by the Speaker as an elementary rule that should be observed in every democratic country, that representatives of the people in the Assembly should be supplied

with proper material so that they can judge about the administration in the Province. In fact we owe these reports to them. So I ~~will~~ ^{will} ~~not~~ ^{also} ~~not~~ ^{also} suggest that the suggestion made by the Speaker may be accepted.

H.P.M. may be.

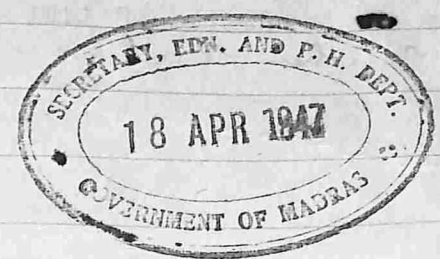
I have no objection (N) (Cv.)
proposals made (Cv.)
carried out if (Cv.)
agrees. (N) (Cv.)
16/4/47

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H.P.M. (Law)



The order as may be supplied with publications but condition ~~2~~ ² ~~not~~ ^{not} be imposed as it will be impracticable. C.P.R. 17-4-47



F.M. 17B 28.4.47

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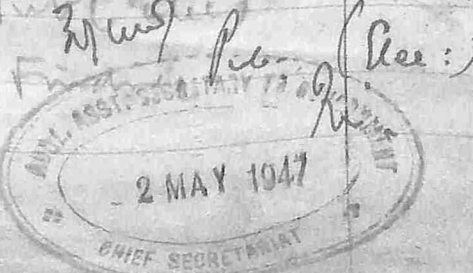
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A draft order is submitted for approval. may be sent to Pub (Cv.) Finance and may see the case ~~before~~ ^{before} issue.

28.4.47

S / P



EXP No 72573-48 30.4.47

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Public (Cv.) (N) (Cv.)

Previous order of this Dept on 11/1, 6-7-47 The draft order may be perused and passed on to Finance. On 4/4/47 was requested to furnish a copy of the order to this Dept.

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Fin. (Cv.)

Pub. (Cv.) No 2553/47

25-4-47

26887 AB

Fin. (Cv.)

(Previous Fin. note on p. 7 above)

The orders in circulation on p. 7 above and the draft order below may be perused and the file referred to L & P.H.

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25-4-47 E.P.H.

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E.P.H.

E.P.H. (Cv.)

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