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No. 8786/47-B3.

Municipal Office, Kumbakonam.
Dated 10--12--1947.

From
Sri A.C. Kandappa Pillai,
Municipal Commissioner,
Kumbakonam.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health
Department,

Through
The Chairman, Municipal Council, Kumbakonam.

Sir,

Education Fines - 1945-46 and 1946-47 - Writing
Requested.



I submit that during the year 1945-46 a sum of Rs. 337-4-0, being the fines levied on the defaulting parents under the Elementary Education Act, was written off by the municipal council in its various resolutions. A statement showing the details of the amounts so written off as ~~ir-~~ recoverable is enclosed. It may be seen from that, that the sum actually written off was Rs. 337-4-0 and not Rs. 333-8-0 as pointed out in the Audit Report.

Similarly a sum of Rs. 295-8-0 was actually written off in the various resolutions of the municipal council during the year 1946-47. (Copies enclosed) But in the accounts, a sum of Rs. 295-4-0 only had been shown leaving a balance of annas 0-4-0 by mistake. This has been pointed in paras 8(b) and 16(vi) of the Audit Report for 1946-47 and the sanction of Government is called for. It was explained that the fines were really ir-recoverable and in most of the cases the demand notices could not be served on the parties as they had left the station even prior to the issue of bills. It was also explained that formalities laid down in Article 163 of the Municipal Account Code were followed and that as the fines had to be collected as it was a tax under the Elementary Education Act, sanction of the council would appear sufficient. Copies of the objections raised in audit are enclosed.

I submit that in all the cases in question the defaulting parents are too poor to pay even these small fines and these items were really ir-recoverable. They were verified by the Supervisor of Elementary Schools of this council, then by the respective ward councillors and then written off by the council after due consideration. I also submit that most of defaulters on whom fines were levied are very poor people belonging to the scheduled and backward classes and in the case of recurring defaults the authority levying the fines has no option left to them.

I pray in the circumstances set forth above, the Government may be pleased to sanction the write off of the education fines of Rs.337-4-0 during 1945-46 and Rs.295-8-0 during the year - 1946-47.

A. Chantaram

Commissioner. 13.12.47
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Forwarded.

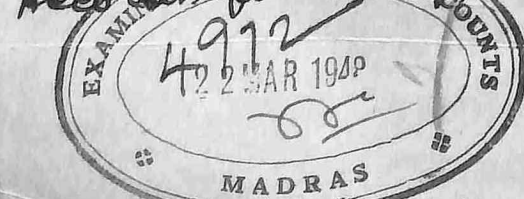
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Chairman. 15.12.47.

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Education and Public Health Department.

Endorsement No. 99257/47-2-C, Edu., dated 19.3.1948

Reported to the Examiner of Local Fund



J. B. Chetty
Assistant Secretary to Government.

To the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts
(with C. & Co. returned with reply).

Audit Report on the Elementary Education Accounts of the Kumbakonam Municipality for the year 1946-47.

8(b) Write off of penalties by the municipal council-irregular-sanction of Government not obtained:

The Government have not yet been addressed for ratifying the action of the council in having written off penalties amounting to Rs.333.8.0 when it had no power.

1943.44	---	Rs.211	8	0
1944.45	---	122	0	0

		333	8	0

It was seen that the bills in question were not at all served on the parties in many cases, and it is not clear how the council sanctioned the write off as irrecoverable. The write off was irregular and cannot be accepted in audit.

16(vi) The municipal council sanctioned the write off of the following amounts of penalties during 1946-47 as detailed below:

M.C.R.No.181	dated 29.7.1946	0	12	0
"	182	"	9	12
"	282	5.9.1946	284	12

			295	4

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1945--46.

Abstract.

M.O.R.No.	Date.	Amount written off. Rs. A. P.
15.	7--7--1945.	86--4--0
23.	6--8--1945.	7--8--0
206.	8--9--1945.	55--4--0
464.	18--2--1946.	74--4--0
554.	23--3--1946.	114--0--0
Total		337--4--0

1946--47.

181.	29--7--1946.	0--12--0
182.	29--7--1946.	9--12--0
281.	5--9--1946.	285--0--0
Total		295--8--0

1945--46. Rs. 337--4--0.

1946--47. Rs. 295--8--0.

a. Chantappa
Commissioner. 13.12

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20.4.48
Examiner's Office.

Sub:-Write off - Penalty under the Elementary Education Act - Kumbakonam Municipality - Sanction of Government.

Ref:-Government Endorsement No. 99257/47-2-C, Education, dated 19-3-1948.

Except ordering the levy of penalties or fines on the defaulting parents, no effective action would appear to have been taken in time to prepare the bills promptly and serve them.

29.2.75
Considering the efflux of time, the request of the Commissioner may be granted as a special case. The Commissioner may be requested to investigate the other arrears also and take early action for their recovery.

The enclosures received with the above endorsement are returned herewith.

B.B. Shanker Rao
(B.B. Shanker Rao)
Examiner of Local Fund Accounts.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

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Rs. 337-6-0
Rs. 295-5-0
632-12-0

To
The Commr. Kumbakonam
Dy. Secy. C.O.C.
" D.P.O.
" Examr. of P. Secs.

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File. Edu. Del. cl. Kumbakonam - Penalties
imposed on the guardians of defaulting pupils -
Non-Collection of arrears - Write off - Sanctioned.

From the Commr. Kumbakonam Dpty. No. 8736/47
d. 10.12.67
" Examr. of P. Secs. No. 555 d. 20.6.68

Order No. 1123 Edu. dated 5-5-68
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In the circumstances explained by
the Commissioner, Kumbakonam Dpty. in his
letter read above, the Govt. sanction, as a
special case, the writing off the accounts of the
E.E. Fund of the Del. cl. of a sum of Rs.
Rs. 632-12-0, being the arrears of penalties
not recoverable from the guardians of
defaulting pupils.

2. The Commr. should take
prompt action to recover the remaining arrears

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