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Education and Public Health **(194 8) Department.**

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G.O. NO. 123 Education.

Dated 17th January, 1948.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Madras Record Offi[illegible]ce. Palmaner Records - Transfer back to Madras Record Office Egmor[illegible]ctioned.

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No. 1697-A/46-15.

Madras Record Office,
Chittoor, 22nd July 1947.

From
Rao Bahadur Dr. B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office, CHITTOOR.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

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Sir,

Sub:- Records - Transfer back from Palmaner (Chittoor Dt) to Madras - Proposals.

Ref:- (1) G.O. No. 931, Public Works Department, dated 31st March 1947.
(2) Government Memorandum No. 3035 C/47-2, Public Works Department, dated 27th May 1947.

The work of demolishing the baffle walls and refixing the glass panes to the windows in Block IV of the Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore, ordered to be carried out in Government Memorandum No. 3035 C/47-2, P.W.D., dated 25-5-1947, is expected to be completed shortly. After this work is completed the work of painting the racks will be commenced. I have requested the Executive Engineer, North Presidency Division, to complete the work as expeditiously as possible. In the meantime the arrangements for transferring the records from Palmaner (Chittoor Dt.) to Madras may be considered.

2. Experience has shown that it is safer and more convenient to transport the records on lorries than by railway. I have therefore made enquiries of Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service Limited, Madras, and I have ascertained that they are willing to place 4 lorries at my disposal for transporting the records and racks when required. Their terms are Rs.184-8-0 per lorry of $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton capacity per trip. This rate compares favourably with the terms of the lorries hired last year from the Moplah Labour Force Co-operative Labour Contract Society, for transporting the Survey Records from Chittoor to Madras. The Society's terms were 8 annas per mile from garage to garage and, at this rate, the hire for a lorry from Palmaner to Madras would come to Rs.125/-. But, considering that the Society's lorries are $1\frac{1}{2}$ ton lorries while the lorries of Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service are $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton lorries, the rate of Rs.184-8-0 per trip demanded by Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service cannot be considered to be exorbitant. Further, as the experience of last year showed, if the Moplah Labour Force Co-operative Labour Contract Society's lorries are engaged, they have to be supplied with petrol at Government expense in the first instance, their drivers have to be advanced batta and a great deal of account work has to be done by this office at considerable inconvenience. All this will be avoided if the lorries of Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service are employed. Moreover, Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service have rendered very satisfactory service in 1942 when they were employed to transfer the records from Madras to Palmaner and Chittoor. I therefore beg to propose that they may be employed. The bulk of the records and racks to be transported would be about 65 lorry loads. The lorry charges would therefore amount to Rs.11,992/-, or, in round figures, Rs.12,000/-. I beg

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to request that sanction may kindly be accorded for the expenditure of this amount. About Rs.700/- may also be required for cooly charges. Sanction may therefore kindly be accorded for this amount also.

3. In regard to the cost of dismantling the racks I am not in a position to state how much it would amount to, as the General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops and Stores, has not yet furnished me with the estimate which I called for. It does not however seem to be necessary to wait for this estimate. Instructions may be issued to the General Superintendent to take up the work and to inform the Government later on about the expenditure actually incurred, as was done, in the case of fitting up the racks, painting them, etc. (Please see Government Memorandum No. 38583-5-C 2. Edn., dated 6-12-1946 and Government Memorandum No.3035 C/47-2, P.W.D., dated 27-5-1947). He may be asked also to stack these dismantled racks in the Public Works Workshops where the other racks of the Madras Record Office are now stacked, as there is no space in the Madras Record Office where they can be stacked.

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4. As the transfer of the records has to be completed before the rains set in I request that early orders may kindly be passed by the Government.

5. No provision has been made for this expenditure in the budget allotment of this office for this year. I shall, therefore, have to apply for an additional allotment in due course.

M.H. Baliga
CURATOR.
23-7-1947

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Memo No. 60199 C2/47 - 1 Edn dated 22.8.47

M.R.O. - Records - Transfer ~~back~~ from Palmaner to Madras - Proposals.

Ref:-

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From the Curator, M.R.O., No. 1697-A/46-15 D 22.7.47

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With reference to para 2 of his letter read above, the curator, M.R.O., is requested to state whether quotations were called for from other motor services for transporting the records from Palmaner to Madras and ~~if so~~ whether the rate ~~quoted~~ proposed to be charged by ~~Messrs~~ Sri S.R.V.S is the lowest.

To
The Curator
M.R.O

Re
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Memo No. 60199 C2/47 - 2 Edn dated 22.8.47

M.R.O. - Records. Transfer ~~back~~ from Palmaner to Madras - Proposals.

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Ref:-

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From the Curator, M.R.O., No. 1697-A/46-15 D 22.7.47

In connection with ~~the~~ his proposals to transfer the records ~~from~~ from Palmaner back to Madras, the curator M.R.O has reported that he has asked the Gl. Supdt., P.W. Workshops ~~for~~ to furnish an estimate of cost for the work of dismantling the racks at Palmaner. The Gl Supdt. is requested to ~~state whether it will be possible for him to arrange for the work and if so~~ to furnish the estimate asked for by the Curator M.R.O, at ~~an~~ a very early date. and report the [illegible]

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Gl Supdt
P.W. Workshops
Madras

To the Curator
M.R.O

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From
Rao Bahadur
Dr.B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health
Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

No.1697-A/46-19, dated 27th August 1947.

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Sir,

Sub: Madras Record Office - Records - Transfer from Palmaner to Madras.

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Ref: Government Memorandum No.60199 C2/47-1 Edn. dated 22.8.1947.

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No quotations were called for by me from other motor service agencies, but, as I have already explained in my letter, I have compared the rates quoted by Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service with the rates charged by the Moplah Labour Force Co-operative Labour Contract Society the lorries of which were employed last year for transporting the survey records from Chittoor to Madras. The lorries of this Society were employed last year under the orders of the Government. I did not recommend them, but suggested that some A.R.P. lorries might be placed at my disposal or, if no A.R.P. lorries were available, private lorries might be engaged. (Please see my letter No.1175-A/46-4 dated 12.6.1946 disposed of by G.O.1671, Education, dated 28.8.1946). The Government, however, decided to employ the lorries of the Society. But, as the employment of these lorries was attended with much inconvenience, I did not this time suggest their employment. I therefore made enquiries of Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service who had formerly transported the records from Madras to Chittoor and Palmaner and finding that their rates were comparatively lower than those of the Moplah Labour Force Co-operative Labour Contract Society I recommended that their lorries might be employed. I may state here that the Sri Rama Vilas Service lorries were recommended to me in 1942 by the Secretary, Road Traffic Board, Madras, and that in the course of transporting the records from Madras to Chittoor and Palmaner in 1942 I found them to be very efficient and reliable. I may also state that in a matter like this, which involves the transport of large masses of valuable records over a long distance with safety and expedition, lowness of rates alone should not be the criterion. The reliability of the service must also be taken into consideration. A service which, for instance, may not have a sufficient number of lorries or which may not be able to arrange for substitutes in the case of breakdowns cannot be recommended for this work. It was this consideration which made me enquire of Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service only.

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2. It is not clear from the Government Memorandum whether it is the intention of the Government that tenders should be invited for this work. If such is the intention I shall call for tenders and follow the procedure laid down in the Madras Financial Code in regard to the purchase of stores and the execution of public works. But I may point out that this will inevitably involve some delay and that this delay will lead to the postponement of the transfer of records until after the rainy season is over. If however it is the intention of the Government that I should obtain quotations from a few more motor service agencies alone, I shall do so. I am now trying to ascertain the names of a few motor service agencies in Madras.

3. A few days ago I have learnt that the Chief Secretariat has engaged two lorries of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit to transport the 1943 records from the Central Records Branch to Chittoor. These lorries are expected to arrive here on the 29th of this month. If, on their arrival, I find that they are suitable - and there is no reason why they should not be suitable, seeing that they have been engaged for transporting Government records - I propose to suggest that 4 lorries of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit may be placed at my disposal. In that case it may be unnecessary to employ the lorries of Messrs Sri Rama Vilas Service or of any other motor service. It will also become unnecessary to compare rates since the rates of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit, which I presume is a Government Department, are bound to be lower and more reasonable than those of private firms. It is, however, likely that the lorries of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit may not be as large as the lorries of Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service and that consequently they may have to run a larger number of trips, but this ought not to affect the total expenditure, since the hire charges of lorries depend upon their size. I shall in any case try to obtain an estimate from the Civil Supplies Transport Unit. If the proposal to employ these Civil Supplies Transport Unit lorries is accepted by the Government it may be possible to effect the transfer before the commencement of the rains.

CURATOR.
27-8-1947.

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Memo No 60199 - C2/47-3 dated 9-9-47.

Sub: Madras Record Office - Records - Transfer from Palmaner to Madras.

Ref: From the Curator, M.R.O. No 1697-A/46-19 dated 27-8-47.

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With reference to para 3 of his letter read above, the Curator, M.R.O. is informed that his further report in regard to the lorries of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit is awaited ~~He may also send at the same time quotations from a few more motor service agencies~~

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To The Curator
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From
Rao Bahadur
Dr. B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health
Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

No.1697-A/47-28, dated 15th September 1947.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
16 SEP 1947
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Sir,

Sub:- Madras Record Office - Records - Transfer from Palmaner to Madras.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No. 60199-C2/47-3 Edn., dated 9th September 1947.

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I have now obtained the quotations of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit and two other motor services, one belonging to Madras and the other to Chittoor. The Transport Officer, Civil Supplies Transport Unit, states that he can spare the lorries only on Fridays but that he will send 10 lorries to be loaded at Palmaner every Friday evening and unloaded in Madras on Saturday evening until all the records are transported. This is certainly very inconvenient. It will not be possible to load 10 lorries with records in a few hours. The records have to be loaded and despatched in some order. They cannot be dumped into the lorries like bags of rice or other goods. Nor are there facilities at Egmore to unload 10 lorries in a short time. The loading and the unloading will mostly have to be done in the night with the help of lamps and this, needless to say, is highly dangerous. The rates quoted by the Transport Officer are also high. His rates are Rs.195-2-0 per lorry. This is about Rs.10/- higher than the rates quoted by Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service. I do not therefore think that it is advantageous to employ the lorries of the Civil Supply Transport Unit.

2. Nor is it advantageous to employ the lorries of Messrs. Madras Transport Company, Limited, a Motor Service belonging to Madras, who have offered to hire their lorries. They demand no less than Rs.281-4-0 per lorry trip besides laying down numerous irksome conditions. I have informed this firm that their lorries are not required.

3. Turning to the terms of the Motor Service at Chittoor, Messrs. Chittoor Motor Transport Company, their rates are comparatively cheaper. They are only Rs.140/- per trip, but they state that they will have to be provided with coupons for 1400 gallons of petrol by the Government. They are a comparatively small service and do not seem to possess many lorries. Their lorries have not been tried by me before. I am therefore unable to say whether their service will be satisfactory and reliable. I have already stressed in my letter No.1697-A/46-19, dated 27th August 1947 the need for employing only lorries of well-known and reliable firms for transporting records. In these circumstances it is perphaps not desirable to

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employ the lorries of this service also. There will then remain only the Sri Rama Vilas Service. Although enquiries were made of various services no other service in Madras ~~and~~ or Chittoor have offered to hire lorries for this purpose. The rates quoted by Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service have already been explained. Seeing that they are about Rs.10/- lower than the rates of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit and seeing that their service is satisfactory and reliable I am of opinion that their terms can be accepted.

4. It is, however, impossible to effect the transfer of the records before the rains begin. The painting of the racks has just been commenced and is not likely to be over before the middle of October. Since the rains will set in at that time -- and this year they seem to have set in even now -- it will be quite inadvisable to begin the transfer of records in October. No doubt the lorries will be covered with tarpaulin. But this may not prove an adequate protection in heavy rain, and, if as a result of rain some of the records are damaged, it will be impossible to repair the damage for want of mending materials. The risk is too great. Nor is there any reason for transferring the records during the rains at this risk. They are records of the older period which are not very frequently required. They have remained at Palmaner for more than 5 years and may therefore, without much inconvenience, remain there for a few months longer. I therefore beg to suggest that the transfer be postponed to January or February next. Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service and ~~the~~ Messrs. Chittoor Motor Transport Company have stated that their terms are likely to remain unchanged if the transfer is effected in January or February.

5. I have not yet received the estimate which the Government in their Memorandum No. 60199-C2/47-2 dated 22nd August 1947 asked the General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops and Stores, to furnish. I have reminded him twice. As soon as I received his estimate I shall inform the Government.

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CURATOR.
15-9-1947.

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FROM SRI. K.SUBRAMANIAM B.A. B.E.
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT
P.W.WORKSHOPS MADRAS.

TO THE CURATOR
MADRAA RECORD OFFICE
CHITTOOR.

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26 SEP 1947

SIR RE. YOUR NO.1697 A 46/27 d 11/9/47 and Govt Memo No.6099 C. 2/47/2 d 22/8/47
subject; MADRAS RECORD OFFICE RECORDS TRANSFER RECORD RACKS AT PALMANER DISMANTLING- estimate required

The estimated cost of proceeding to Palmaner dismantling sixtythree numbers of angle iron record racks and stacking them at site at Palmaner and erecting them at Egmore is Rs.3300/- (RUPEES THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED ONLY) The work will be taken on receipt of your acceptance to the cost

The cost quoted above does not include the cost of conveyance of the racks from the Inspection Bungalow at Palmaner to Egmore Record office where they are to be erected.

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~~for~~ GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT
P.W.WORKSHOPS MADRAS

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Copy submitted to the Secretary to Government Education and Public Health Department, Government of Madras for favour of information with ref.to Govt Memo quoted above

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From
Rao Bahadur
Dr. B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health
Department,
Fort St. George.

No. 1697-A/46-31, dated 27th September 1947.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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29 SEP 1947
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Sir,

Sub:- Madras Record Office - Records - Transfer from Palmaner to Madras.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No. 60199 C2/47-2 Edn., dated 22nd September 1947.

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In response to the Government Memorandum referred to above the General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops, has now forwarded to me an estimate in his letter No. 2708 M. dated 24th September 1947. A copy of this letter has also been forwarded by him to the Government. The estimate furnished by him is, however, found to be incorrect as it is an estimate for dismantling the racks as well as reerecting them at

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Egmore, whereas what is required is an estimate for dismantling the racks only. As I have already stated in my letter No. 1697-A/46-15 dated 22nd July 1947, there is no room at present at Egmore for erecting the racks. I have therefore requested the General Superintendent to send me a revised estimate for dismantling the racks only. As soon as I receive it I shall forward it to the Government.

B S Baliga
CURATOR.
27-9-1947.

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From
Rao Bahadur
Dr. B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health
Department,
Fort St. George.

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No. 1697-A/46-36, dated 5th November 1947.

Sir,

Sub: Madras Record Office - Records - Transfer from Palmaner to Madras.

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Ref: Government Memorandum No. 60199-C2/47-2 dated 22nd August 1947 and my letter No. 1697-A/46-31 dated 27th September 1947.

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The General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops, has now furnished the estimate for dismantling the 63 racks at Palmaner. According to this estimate the cost of dismantling the racks alone amounts to Rs.1620/-. In regard to the storage of the racks, the General Superintendent states that, as he is receiving large quantities of stock and machinery for the execution of project works, he is unable to spare any room in the workshops for stacking the racks. Nor is there any space in the Madras Record Office at Egmore in which they can be stored. I, therefore, propose that, after the racks are dismantled, they may be stored in one or two rooms of the Public Works Department Inspection Bungalow

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itself. There are 4 sets of rooms in that bungalow. One of the sets can, therefore, conveniently be utilised for storing the racks and the remaining 3 handed back to the Public Work's Department for the use of touring officers. As the Public Works Department have their own watchman to look after the Inspection Bungalow the racks may be left in their charge until they can be brought back to Madras, when the records at Chittoor are transferred to Madras.

2. As all the particulars required in connection with the transfer of the records from Palmaner to Madras have now been furnished I beg to submit that orders may kindly be passed at an early date so that the work of transfer can be commenced as soon as the rainy season is over.

CURATOR.
5-11-1947.

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From the curator, M.RO., No. 1697-A/46-15 D/ 22.7.47
" No. 1697-A/46-19 D/ 27.8.47
" No. 1697-A/47-28 D/ 15.9.47
" No. 1697-A/46-36 D/ 5.11.47

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For precedent see W/17 cf

The Govt approve the proposal of the curator, M.R.O., to retransfer the records now in Palmaner to the Madras Record Office at Egmore and to engage the lorries of Messrs. Sri Rama Vilas Service for transporting the records ~~and racks~~ from Palmaner to Madras.

2. Sanction is accorded to the following expenditure in connection with the transfer of the records:-

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(i) Rs 11,992. 8. 0 for 65 lorry trips at Rs 184. 8. 0 per trip; pp 1-2 cf

(ii) Rs 700. 0. 0 for cooly charges.

(iii) ~~Sanction is also accorded to the incurring an expenditure of~~ Rs 1,620/- for ~~in connection with the~~ dismantling the 63 racks at Palmaner. p 15 cf.

and that in item (iii) in para 2 above is debitable to "50. Civil works - Original works - Buildings - Inclusive PWR-I Ordinary Areas - E. Genl Administration - 2. Other works - Minor works".

4. The Gl Supdt, P.W. Workshops, Madras is requested to arrange for the dismantling of the racks at Palmaner.

5. The curator's proposal to keep the dismantled racks in one or two rooms of the Public Works Dept. Inspection Bungalow at Palmaner, till the records at Chittoor are transferred to Madras is approved ~~and he is requested to apply for the addl. appropriation in due course.~~

3. The expr. in items (i) and (ii) in para 2 above is debitable to "25 j. General Administration - Sectt. Headquarters Establishments - Civil Sectts M.M.R-O". ⊗ The Curator should apply in due course for the addl approp. required.

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To ⊗ Para 5, p2 CF

The curator MRO

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Ref:-

From the curator, M.R.O., No. 1697-A/46-15 d/ 22.7.47 — p1-2 cf

" No 1697-A/46-19 d/ 27.8.47 — p5-6 cf

" No 1697-A/47-28 d/ 15.9.47 — p9-10 cf

" No 1697-A/46-36 d/ 5.11.47 — p15-16 cf

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The Govt approve the proposal of the curator, M.R.O., to retransfer the records now in Palmaner to the Madras Record Office at Egmore. He should ~~and to~~ engage the lorries of Messrs. Chittoor Motor Transport company for transporting the records from Palmaner to Madras.

For precedents vide p12/(14)

2. ~~The Area Rationing Officer, Madras is requested to arrange for the issue of the coupons for the petrol required for the lorries.~~ The provincial rationing officer is requested to allow the required quantity of petrol for the lorries.

3. ~~Sanction is accorded to the following expenditure in connection with the transfer of the records:-~~ Expenditure not exceeding the following limits is sanctioned in connection with the transfer of records:-

(i) Rs 9,100/- (Rupees nine thousand and one hundred only) for 65 lorry trips at Rs 140 per trip; p9 cf

(ii) Rs 700/- (Rupees seven hundred only) for cooly charges. p2 cf

(iii) Rs 1,620/- (Rupees one thousand six hundred and twenty only) for dismantling the 63 racks at Palmaner. p15 cf

4. The expenditure in items (i) and (ii) in para '3' above is debitable to "25 j - General Administration - Sectt and Head Quarters Establishments - Civil Sectts - M.M.RO".

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and that in item (iii) in para 3 above is debitable to "50 Civil Works - Original Works - Buildings - Excluding PWR - I - Ordinary Areas - E Genl Administration - 2 other works - Minor works".

5. The Gl Supdt., P.W. Work-shops, Madras is requested to arrange for the dismantling of the racks at Palmaner.

6. The curator's proposal to keep the dismantled racks in one or two rooms of the Public Works Dept Inspection Bungalow at Palmaner till the records at chittor are transferred to Madras is approved

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To
The curator, M.R.O
The AG (thro' Fin)
The ~~Area Rationing Officer~~, Madras
The Gl. Supdt. P.W. Work shops
The collr of chittoor
P.W. Dept
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Education and Public Health Department.
G. O. No. Ms. 123 Education, dated 17th January, 1948.
Abstract:

Madras Record Office - Palmaner Records - Transfer back to Madras Record Office Egmore - Sanctioned.

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Read:

From the Curator, Madras Record Officer, No.1697 -A/46-15 dated 22-7-47.
" " No.1697-A/46-19 dated 27-8-47.
" " No.1697-A/47-28 dated 15-9-47.
" " No.1697-A/46-36 dated 5-11-47.

ORDER:

The Government approve the proposal of the Curator, Madras Record Office, to retransfer the records now in Palmaner to the Madras Record Office at Egmore. He should engage the lorries of Messrs. Chittoor Motor Transport company for transporting the records from Palmaner to Madras.

2. The Provincial Rationing Officer is requested to allow the required quantity of petrol x for the lorries.

3. Expenditure not exceeding the following limits is sanctioned in connection with the transfer of records:-

(i) Rs. 9,100/- (Rupees nine thousand and one hundred only) for 65 lorry trips at Rs. 140 per trip;

(ii) Rs. 700/- (Rupees seven hundred only) for cooly charges.

(iii) Rs. 1,620/- (Rupees one thousand six hundred and twenty only) for dismantling the 63 racks at Palmaner.

4. The expenditure in items (i) and (ii) in para '3' above is debitable to "25j-General Administration - Secretariat and Head quarters Establishments - Civil Secretariats - ~~Mad~~ Madras Record Office". and that in item (iii) in para 3 above is debitable to "50 Civil works - Original Works-Buildings-Excluding PWR-I-Ordinary Areas -E General Administration - 2 other works - Minor Works".

5. The General Superintendent, P.W.Work-shops, Madras is requested to arrange for the dismantling of the racks at Palmaner.

6. The Curator's proposal to keep the dismantled racks in one or two rooms of the Public Works Department Inspection Bungalow at Palmaner till the records at chittoor are transferred to Madras is approved.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor).

M. V. Subramanian,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Curator, Madras Record Office.
The Accountant General (through Finance Department).
The General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops.
The Collector of Chittoor.
The Public Works Department.
The Provincial Rationing Officer, Chepauk.
Copy to Home Department.
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Forwarded / By Order.

C. P. Angamma Chetty
Superintendent.

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Madras Record Office – Records – Transfer back from Palmaner to Madras – Proposals.

Ref.–

p1-2 cf. Cr. No. 60199 C2/47 – From the Curator, Madras Record Office, No. 1697-A/46-15 dated 22.7.47

p1-2 cf The Curator, M.R.O., has submitted proposals for retransferring the records now housed at Palmaner back to the M.R.O at Egmore. The following remarks are called for.–

para 2 cmp1 cf 2. The curator ~~pr~~ recommends that ~~the~~ four lorries of Sri Rama Vilas Service may be hired for transporting the records. The hire charges ~~for a trip~~ per lorry trip is reported to be Rs 184-8-0 and the total expenditure on lorry charges is estimated ~~to be~~ at Rs 12,000/- (roundly). It is not known whether the Curator called for quotations from other Services having lorries and whether the rate quoted by Sri S.R.V.S is the lowest. He may be consulted on this point. ~~[illegible])~~ It is not also known whether any military lorries will be available for transporting the records.

A Public (Mily) may be requested to say whether any military lorries can be spared for the purpose.

p2 cf 2. In regard to the dismantling of racks at Palmaner, the curator says that he has asked the Col. Supdt., P.W. Workshops, Madras to furnish an estimate for the work and that pending the receipt of the estimate, the Col. Supdt. may be instructed to take up the work. It seems desirable to consult the Col. Supdt., P.W. Workshops beforehand whether it will be possible for his men to take up the work of dismantling the racks.

This need not delay the issue of the orders on the other points
22.8.47

Two draft memos are submitted for approval. After issue the case may be sent to P.W.D and Pub. (Mily) for remarks.

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P.W.D / Pub (Mil)

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The file may be perused and passed on to Pub (Military) Deptt.

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P.W.D. U.O.
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Public (Mil) Dept

UNDER SECRETARY
3513
28 AUG 1947
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

~~Please send to E & P.H. dept.~~

~~The file has been sent to this dept with reference to A on p lank.~~ It is submitted that this dept. has no information about the availability or non-availability of the mily. lorries for transporting of the records in question. E & P.H dept. may be requested to address the G.O.C. H.Q. Madras Area in the matter if necessary. With this information the file may be returned to that dept.

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pp 5-6 cf

E & P.H. (C2)

C.N. 69260 - From the Curator, M.R.O. No 1697-A/46-19 dated 27-8-47.

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3 - SEP 1947
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

In the memo on p 3 cf. the Curator, M.R.O was asked to state whether quotations were called for from other motor services agencies besides the S.R.V.S for transporting the records from Palmaner to Madras. The curator reports that no quotations were ~~called for~~ obtained from other motor service Agencies, but that he recommended the Lorries of S.R.V.S as this ~~Service~~ company rendered efficient service in 1942.

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p 6 cf

He further says that if it is Govt's intention that he should obtain quotations from a few more motor service agencies, he will do so.

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2. Attention is invited to para 3 of the Curator's letter on p. 6 cf., He states that if the lorries of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit which have been engaged for carrying records from the C.R.B to Chittoor are found suitable, he proposes to suggest that four lorries of the unit may be utilized for bringing the records from Palmaner to Madras. The curator's further report in this matter may be awaited. He may be informed accordingly. A draft memo is submitted.

p 6 cf

6.9.47

In view of the proposal to employ the lorries of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit, the curator need not be asked to obtain quotations from other motor service agencies. The G.O.C, H.Q, Madras Area need not also be addressed - vide p 2 ante.

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p 7 Issued as Memo no. 60199 C2/47 - 3 Edn dt 9.9.47 p 7 cf

C no 74109 C2/47. From the curator, M.R.O., No 1697-A/47-28 dated 15.9.47 p 9 cf

C no 76676 C2/47 - From the Gl. Supdt. P.W.D Workshops, no. 2708 M dated 24.9.47 p 11 cf

C no 77378 C2/47 - From the curator, M.R.O., no 1697-A/46-31 dated 27.9.47 p 13 cf

Please see the reply from the Curator, M.R.O on p 9-10 cf. He states that it is not advantageous to employ the Civil Supplies Lorries as they can be spared only on Fridays and the rates quoted by the Transport officer, Civil Supplies Transport Unit are Rs 195.2.0 [i.e. Rs 10/- higher than the rates quoted by Messrs Sri Rama Vilas Service]. As regards

para 1 on p 9 cf

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the ~~other~~ Quotations of the other Motor Services, Messers. Madras Transport company demands Rs 281-4-0 per lorry trip and Messers. Chittoor Motor Transport company demands Rs 140/- per trip and ~~petrol~~ coupons for the supply of 1400 gallons of petrol by Govt. ~~In these circumstances the curator recommends for the employment of the lorries of Sri Rama Vilas Service~~ In these circumstances and in view of the satisfactory service rendered by the S.R.V.S ~~and reliability~~ the curator recommends ~~for~~ the employment of the lorries of Sri Rama Vilas Service for the transport of the records from Palmaner to Madras ~~Chittoor~~. ~~Before a final decision is taken in this matter, Pub (CRB) may be requested to put up the file [illegible] relating to the transfer of 1943 records to Chittoor for [illegible] reference. A routine note is submitted.~~

para 2 on p9 cf

p10 cf

2. Further the curator suggests that the transfer of records from Palmaner to Egmore may be postponed to January or February next as the painting of the racks at Egmore has just been commenced and is not likely to be over before the middle of October ~~and the rains will set in at that time~~. This may be agreed to ~~and the curator may be informed accordingly. A draft memo is submitted~~

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3. As regards the estimate of cost for the dismantling of racks, the curator's ~~states~~ further reply may be awaited since the present estimate furnished by the Col. Supdt P.W. Workshops is reported to be incorrect. The case may lie over till 15.11.47

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C.No. 88155 C2/47 - From the Curator, M.R.O.,
No 1697-A/46-36 dated 5.11.47

p15-11 cf

Please see the letter from the curator, M.R.O., on p15 cf. He has furnished the estimate for dismantling the 63 racks at Palmaner which amounts to Rs 1620/-. Further the curator proposes to keep the racks after dismantling in one or two rooms of the Public Works Department

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Inspection Bungalow at Palmaner itself till the records at Chittoor are transferred to Madras. ~~as the Col. Supdt. P.W. Workshops is unable to spare any room in the workshops for stacking the racks.~~ The curator's proposals may be accepted ~~A draft order is submitted for approval. May be sent to P.W.D and Finance for acceptance before issue~~ and the transfer of the records from Palmaner to Madras sanctioned.

A draft order is submitted. It may be sent to P.W.D & Finance for acceptance.

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT IV
27 NOV 1947
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The draft order may be accepted and the file passed on to Finance Deptt.

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P.W.D. U.O. No. 6847 C/47-1
28-11-47

Finance (Exp.B)

para 1, p.1 c.f.

The proposal in this case is to retransfer the records of the Madras Record Office from Palmaner to the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore. E.&.P.H. ~~PROPR~~ propose to sanction the following items of expenditure in this connection:--

draft order below

(i) Rs.11,992-8-0 for 65 lorry trips at Rs.184-8-0 per trip;

(ii) Rs.700-0-0 for cooly charges; and

(iii) Rs.1,620-0-0 for dismantling the 63 racks at Palmaner

para 2, pp 1-2 c.f.

p.15 c.f.

2. The Chittoor Motor Transport co. at Chittoor has quoted a rate of Rs.140-0-0 per lorry trip. The Curator has stated that it is perhaps not desirable to employ the lorries of this service for the reasons that they require to be provided with coupons for 1400 gallons of petrol by the Govt., they are a comparatively small service not possessing many lorries, their lorries have not been tried by him before and, therefore, he is unable to say whether their service will be satisfactory and reliable. In connection

para 3, p.9 c.f.

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connection with the transfer of maps, etc. from Chittoor to the Central Survey Office, Madras and M.R.O., Egmore, the Govt. directed the Area Rationing Officer, Madras to arrange for the issue of the coupons for the petrol required for the lorries. It seems that a similar arrangement may be ~~xxxx~~ made in the present case also. The lorries of the Chittoor Motor Transport Co. have not been tried before and there is, therefore, no reason to ~~doubt whether~~ assume their service will not be satisfactory and reliable. If the lorries of ~~th~~ this firm are employed for the transport of the records, there will be a saving of Rs.2,892-8-0. Finance may, in the circumstances, advise that the lorries of the Chittoor firm be engaged instead of those of the Sri Rama Vilas Service.

3. Subject to the remarks in para.2 above, the draft order below may be accepted as amended in pencil.

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Para.3, p.1 ICF

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8.12.47

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The note of the Finance Dept on p 5-6 above may be perused. Their suggestion at B above may perhaps be accepted. A revised draft order is submitted for approval. Home and Finance may see again for acceptance.

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9.12.47

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S of Home.
Great weight has to be attached to the considerations set out by the Finance at 'B' on p.5 & I do not ~~[illegible]~~ think it is advisable to take the risk of engaging an untried concern even though it might mean a saving of about Rs.2800/- & odd. We may press for acceptance of the Finance's proposal.

17.12.47

H.M. Finance may know the Home's views. He may decide.

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14.12.47

H.M. (Ag)
H.M. (Fin)

Let us plump for economy.
B.G.A
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Dy. Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Dept.
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Secretary, Edn. and P.H. Dept.
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May be recirculated to Hm (Edn) with reference to the minutes of Hm (Fin).

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Hm (Edn) 18.12.47
H.M. (Gr.)

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24.12.47

The revised draft ~~order~~ below is for approval. ×Home may see the case ~~after~~ before issue of the draft.

× With ref to para 2 of draft

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Home 7.1.48
H.M.

Assistant Secretary to Govt.
8 - JAN 1948
Home Department

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E. & P.H. Go.o. No.
60199/47-1C2 Edn.
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Cp draft below

Home Dept

The proposal in this file is to retransfer the records of the ~~M.R.O.~~ Madras Record Office from Palmaner to the M.R.O. building at Egmore. The lorries of the M/s Chittoor Motor Transport Coy are to be engaged for the purpose. The file has been sent to this dept in connection with the issue of petrol to these lorries. It may be stated in this connection that in 1946 petrol was allowed to the lorries engaged in the transport of the Sectt. records to the Madras Record office at Chittoor. There seems to be no objection to allow petrol for the lorries in the present case. If so the draft order below may be accepted subject to the correction indicated in para 2 in pencil. Necessary corrections have also been carried out in the address entry. The file may be returned to the E & P.H. Dept.

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Asst. Secretary to Govt., Education and Public Health Dept.
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Please see the note of Home Dept. on page 7 ante. The draft order s amended by Home may issue.

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