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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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№ 2589

To,

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
Madras

Financial Deptt

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter № 978 dated 12th July 1870, I am directed to state that there appears to be some misapprehension as to the proportion of the cost of the Lithographic Press now borne by the Imperial Public Works Funds After deducting the charges for the Civil Engineering College and the Conservancy Establishment for Irrigation works, the charges of the Public Works Establishment in Madras are divided between the several funds, Imperial, Provincial & Local in proportion to the whole expenditure incurred from each. No exception is made in the case of the Lithographic Press and there seems no reason why the cost of this Press should not be proportionately debited to Local Funds as well as to Imperial and Provincial funds. Moreover the Press works for the whole of the Public Works Establishment and as that establt supervises Imperial Provincial & Local Fund works, the Local Funds derive as much benefit from this Press as Imperial & Provincial Funds

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2 I am to state therefore, that the Governor General in Council cannot admit the correctness of throwing Local Funds out of calculation, and that His Excellency in Council would rather not transfer the Offs to Provincial services unless the Madras Government is willing to accept the terms proposed in the last para: of this Dept^ts letter No^o 951 dated 17^th June 1873.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obed^t Servant

Simla
The 28^th August 1873

Offg Under Secy to the Govt of India

Copy of the correspondence forwarded to the Public Works Department for information.—

Stokes
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Papers

Fin^l Dep^t
Financial Branch
No 1494
dated 28th August 1873.

L.L. No 1494
dated 28th August 1873.
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Sent to Accts 5th Sept 1873

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, Financial Department, No. 1494, dated the 28th August 1873.

Read the following correspondence:—

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, No. 2589, dated 16th August 1873.

From the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Financial Department, No. 1128, dated 4th August 1873.

Resolved that there is no reason to doubt that the Madras Government will be willing to accept the terms proposed in the last paragraph of the letter from the Financial Department, No. 951, dated 17th June 1873, and that the cost of the Lithographic Press should be borne by the Imperial and Provincial Funds in the proportion of 3 to 1.

Ordered that the Lithographic Press be transferred to the Provincial Service, and that the Local Funds be charged with a sum of Rupees 1,00,000 as the value of the Press, and with a sum of Rupees 25,000 as the cost of the Establishment and Contingencies for the year 1873-74.

Ordered that a copy of the above Resolution be forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Financial Department, for information.

Ordered that a copy be forwarded to the Public Works Department for information.

Ordered that a copy be forwarded to the Accountant General for information.

Ordered that a copy be forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, for information.

By order of the Governor General in Council,

(Signed) A. Stokes
Offg Under Secy to the Govt of India

Fin^l Dep^t
No 1494
dated 28th August 1873.

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Financial Department.

No. 1494

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Financial Department.

Sir,

In reply to your Officiating Under Secretary's letter dated 28th August 1873, No. 2589, (Financial), I am directed to state that it cannot be said that Local Funds derive as much benefit from the Govt Lithographic Press as Imperial and Provincial Funds. No service is required from, or rendered by, this Press for Local Funds, and its

its cost has, with that of other similar P. W. expenditure, been excluded from the calculation in determining the proportion of charge to be borne by Local Funds on account of the Department.

2. Considering the very large amount of charge which has, since 1871, been transferred from Imperial to Local Funds, the Governor in Council is of opinion that the most scrupulous care should be taken to avoid saddling these last funds with charges which in no way promote the purposes for which they are raised by special taxation.

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Financial DEPARTMENT

From The Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

To The Secretary to the Govt. of India, Financial Department.

Dated 6th Nov. 14. 1873.

Recd.

No. 494.

Enclosure.

Nos. 126-127.

Govt. Lithographic Press. Govt. of India informed, with ref^ce to the proposal to transfer the cost of this Press from Imperial to Provl. funds, that no service is rendered by it to Local funds as supposed & that these last funds should not be saddled with charges which in no way pro to be the purposes for which they are raised.

Financial Department

Dated 187

No.

To The Secretary to the Government of Department.

Dated 187

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