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A communication from the Public Works Department, Account—General, No. 257 A—G, dated the 12th May 1873, forwarding, for consideration and orders, copy of an entry in the Abstract Proceedings of the Government of Bombay exempting Local Fund Committees in that Presidency from the operation of the rule requiring the purchase of Europe stores through the India Office.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor-General in Council observes that the orders requiring the purchase of stores in Europe through the Secretary of State do not apply to independent and non-official corporations, such as Port Fund Commissioners or Municipalities, but that they do apply to all other local bodies. The general test should be the origin of the funds to be spent, and the nature of the control over them vested in the Government. If such funds are derived from a private source, as an endowment, or from self-imposed taxation, as in the case of Municipalities, and if the Government has no legal control over the administering body, it cannot interfere with it, or direct it to procure stores by any particular channel. But when the funds are obtained by taxation imposed by the Government, whether such taxation be imperial, provincial, or district, and the action of the administrative body is subject to control by the Government, as is usually the case with Local Fund Committees, then the general rule should apply, and purchases in Europe should be made through the Secretary of State.

ORDER.—Ordered that the foregoing be communicated to the Public Works Department, and to the several Local Governments and Officers of the Account Department.

(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 173. ORDER THEREON, 27th June 1873, No. 890.

To be recorded.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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The Secretary to the Govt of India

To

The Secretary to the Govt of Madras Financial Dept

Dated 25th June 1873

Rec'd 11th July 1873

No. 721.

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