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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
13th November 1874.

Read the following papers :—

No. 116. From E. B. POWELL, Esq., M.A., C.S I., Director of Public Instruction, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 26th October 1874, No. 2000.

I have the honor to forward Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 2723, of the 22nd September last, as requested by the Board.

2. On receipt of the Proceedings, the late Acting Director of Public Instruction wrote to the President of the Chingleput Local Fund Board for certain information ; copy of a reply from the Acting President, No. 438, of the 13th instant, accompanies this letter.

3. I think the schools already established should be maintained, and it does not appear to me that the salaries of the teachers, as given by Mr. Stokes, are too high if the schools are moderately flourishing ones. I think, however, that, in Chingleput as elsewhere, the remuneration of the teachers might be made partly by fixed salaries and partly by result grants.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd September 1874, No. 2723.

From R. W. BARLOW, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Chingleput District, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapett, 12th August 1874, No. 71 :—

ADVERTING to paragraph 2 of the Order of Government, Financial Department, dated 19th May last, No. 865, I have the honor to report that the Sydapett Circle Board, who have had the scheme of school unions under their careful consideration, have resolved, for the reasons detailed in the enclosed Extract of their Proceedings, dated 20th ultimo, to ask me to again address Government, and earnestly request a reconsideration of their order, and a continuance of the special grant of Rupees 8,470.

2. The Circle Board state their case very clearly, and the Board may be assured that the members are most anxious and earnest as regards the result of this reference. Though I am aware that want of funds, the most cogent of all reasons, was the cause of the grant being withheld, still the educational requirements of this district, poor as it is, though surrounding the Presidency, are peculiar, and the Circle Board venture to hope that exceptional treatment may be possible.

3. I trust it will not be considered out of place if I remark, that the union scheme, as now existing, was elaborated slowly, and with great care, after constant discussions at every stage, and the schools, as per margin, were eventually sanctioned and established, relying on the continuance of the grant ; as lately as last year, masters were entertained, school fees, etc., arranged, and now the Board find themselves almost under the necessity of so soon abandoning them, or incurring an expenditure, which their funds can ill afford.

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Tiruvattur.	Siroovaloor.
Vellavedu.	Trippassore.
(Kuthumbakum.)	Pakum.

4. Should this application prove futile, the only source from which the expenditure for these schools can be met is the one-third land cess, which is small, if viewed with reference to the requirements of this district ; and if funds have to be allotted

herefrom, sanitation and other important items which are not even now adequately provided for, must suffer in proportion.

5. As no revision is proposed, I deem it advisable, with a view to the early settlement of the question, to address the Board direct, and not the Director of Public Instruction; but a copy of this letter has been sent to him.

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SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. When the house-tax was discontinued in 1873, Government gave the Sydapett Circle a grant of Rupees 8,470 being the amount estimated to be expended in the year 1873-74 from the house-tax on schools to be newly opened.

G. O., dated 11th July 1873, No. 971.

3. This seemed and was perhaps intended to be equivalent to passing that part of the Sydapett budget which related to new schools, but the scheme had not been examined by Government, and there are great objections to it. From the budget submitted for 1874-75, it appears that eleven schools costing on the average Rupees 458 each were to be opened in the Sydapett and Trivellore Taluqs, and four costing on the average Rupees 432 each in the Ponneri Taluq, and the Local Fund Board took credit on the receipt side of the budget for a continuance of the special grant of Rupees 8,470. The Board remarked generally (not having the papers* which related to the scheme before them) that the schools seemed to be far too expensive and they cannot but reiterate that opinion. In so poor a circle, schools should certainly not cost more than Rupees 200 each unless there are very exceptional circumstances, and it might be possible for the Local Fund Board to economize by combining fixed salaries with results grants in the manner which has been approved by Government.

Cost of 15 schools, Rupees 6,770.

* Communicated to the Director of Public Instruction, in G. O., 17th September 1873, No. 1,323.

4. In reviewing the budget, Government disallowed the special grant of Rupees 8,470 and called on the Local Fund Board to revise their educational scheme with reference more especially to the principle of combining fixed salaries with results grants.

5. The Local Fund Board now ask for a reconsideration of this order on the ground that their scheme has been thoroughly well considered, that approval of it is implied in G. O., dated 11th July 1873, No. 971, that some schools have been already established, that other things in pursuance of the scheme have been done, and that if a change is made now the confidence of the people in the Local Fund Board will be shaken.

6. The papers relating to the scheme which are now before the Director of Public Instruction should be examined, and these Proceedings will be sent through the Director in order that he may express his opinion on the scheme, but the Board fear that the scheme must be disallowed in its financial aspect, and if so the Local Fund Board should establish no more schools of the same sort.

7. In the meantime the President will be good enough to report how many schools have been already established and the probable cost of them for the current year, so that the Board may be able to judge whether the circle requires assistance on this account.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Local Fund Board for the Sydapett Circle, dated 20th July 1874.

Present.

R. W. Barlow, Esq., President.
S. Vejia Ragavooloo Chetty Garoo, Vice-President.
Colonel F. J. Moberly, R.E.
J. T. Fowler, Esq.
M. Vencatanaraina Pillay Avergul.

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2. Read G.O, dated 19th May 1874, No. 865, directing the reconsideration and revision of the scheme of unions.

Proposed by S. Vejia Ragavooloo Chettiar, seconded by Mr. Fowler, and carried unanimously, that the following resolution be adopted.

The Government in paragraph 3 of their Order, dated 11th July 1873, No. 971, allotted Rupees 8,470 for the Sydapett Circle, as the amount "estimated to be expended from the House tax in the current year on schools to be *newly* opened," alluding clearly to the scheme prepared by Mr. Farmer, and approved of by the Local Fund Board with some modifications, and again in their Order, dated 25th August 1873, No. 1201, the Government remarked that if "it is clearly shown that the Local Fund Budget is not in a condition next year to bear the expense of the new schools to be started with these special grants, and that the schools themselves are really required, the Government will repeat the grant." They remarked also that they "trust to be able to devote a considerable amount in future to the aid of elementary eduation."

Thus Mr. Farmer's scheme having impliedly received the approval of Government in the first order, and funds having been allotted *for expenditure in the year* the Local Fund Board resolved to establish schools according to that scheme, in the places noted in the margin, and some of them have been actually established. Estimates for new school buildings have been sanctioned, and materials have been prepared for the building at Tiruvattur. The schools are actually required as elementary education is very backward in the localities alluded to, and the Government are aware that the funds at the disposal of this Board, are very limited. Constant changes in the measures adopted for improving elementary education in the Circle will certainly shake the confidence of the people in the Proceedings of the Board, and under these circumstances, this Board resolve to request the President to address the Government, through the Board of Revenue on the subject, and to solicit the continuance of the special grant of Rupees 8,470 for the maintenance of the schools, the establishment of which has already been determined upon; the establishment of other schools being deferred till the general scheme is settled. The decrease in the provision made in the Budget for the current year, is owing to the Board of Revenue having struck out the proposed schools in the Ponnery Taluq, on the ground that they have not been sanctioned. The scheme, however, had all been settled, and would be started at once if funds are given.

Parithiput.	Tripassore.
Tiruvattur.	Pakum.
Kuthumbakum.	Cadumbathoor.
Vellavedu.	Senji.
Aminjicarai.	Aranee.
Siroovaloor.	Solaveram.
Ayanumbakum.	Pulicat.
Kovilpidari.	Poodoovoil.

The Board deprecate the reduction of the provision made for sanitation, as the improvement of the sanitary condition of the district is sadly needed.

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(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
President.

Govt. of [1874] Work

FINANCIAL.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated November, 13th.

Read.

G.O., 13th November 1874, No. 1942.

NOVEMBER.
Nos. 116-117.

Scheme of Union Schools in the Sydapett Circle.—Under the circumstances reported, the continuance of the schools already established, allowed, and orders regarding a grant for the current year reserved until receipt of the recommendation of the Board of Revenue on the report called for in paragraph 7 of their Proceedings. With reference to the further extension of elementary education within the Circle, the instructions conveyed in paragraph 2 of G.O., dated 19th May 1874, No. 855, adhered to.

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No. 2,723.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 22nd September 1874.

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Chingleput District, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapett, 12th August 1874, No. 71 :—

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2. The Circle Board state their case very clearly, and the Board may be assured that the members are most anxious and earnest as regards the result of this reference. Though I am aware that want of funds, the most cogent of all reasons, was the cause of the grant being withheld, still the educational requirements of this district, poor as it is, though surrounding the Presidency, are peculiar, and the Circle Board venture to hope that exceptional treatment may be possible.

3. I trust it will not be considered out of place if I remark, that the union scheme, as now existing, was elaborated slowly, and with great care, after constant discussions at every stage, and the schools, as per margin, were eventually sanctioned and established, relying on the continuance of the grant; as lately as last year, masters were entertained, school fees, etc., arranged, and now the Board find themselves almost under the necessity of so soon abandoning them, or incurring an expenditure, which their funds can ill afford.

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6. The papers relating to the scheme which are now before the Director of Public Instruction should be examined, and these Proceedings will be sent through the Director in order that he may express his opinion on the scheme, but the Board fear that the scheme must be disallowed in its financial aspect, and if so the Local Fund Board should establish no more schools of the same sort.

7. In the meantime the President will be good enough to report how many schools have been already established and the probable cost of them for the current year, so that the Board may be able to judge whether the circle requires assistance on this account.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
through the Director of Public Instruction,
with one original enclosure.
„ the President of the Local Fund Boards, Chingleput District.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

Received 16 1874.
Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 22ND SEPTEMBER 1874, No. 2,723.

Encl.

Received 30 September 74

SEPTEMBER.
No. 2,723.

Scheme of school unions — in Sydapett Local Fund Circle.—Report on — submitted for orders of Government, through the Director of Public Instruction, in order that he may express his opinion on scheme.—President to report how many schools have been already established, and probable cost of them for current year.

Rec'd 22/9/74

No 438.

Chingleput District Local Fund Board
Head Office Chingleput
13th October 1874.

From

H. E. Stokes Esquire,
Ag President of the L. F. Board
Chingleput Distt

To

Colonel R. H. Macdonald,
Ag Director of Public Instn

Sir

With reference to your letter of the 5th instant No 1856, I have the honor to annex in the margin a particulars of salaries of the teachers of the Local Fund Schools as provided for in the Budget, and as now existing.

I have, &c,
Sd/ H. E. Stokes
Ag President L. F. Board

As per Budget

Parithiputt, Kurkumbattum, Kilmanedu, Amunjeanni, Kilpassoor & Pattum
Cadambattoor, Arnee, Solaveram and Pudavoil.
2 Teachers at Rs 15 & 10 respectively aggregating Rs 300 per annum.

Trivettoor, Kuttumbattum, Amunjeanni, Sirumathur, Aryanambattum, Kilpassoor & Pukkal
3 Teachers at Rs 15, 10 & 7 respectively aggregating Rs 384 or Rs 391 in named number per annum.

Sriperumbudur 1 Teacher at Rs 15 or 180 per annum

As existing

Parithiputt, Kurkumbattum, Kilmanedu, Amunjeanni, Kilpassoor & Pattum
2 Teachers at Rs 15 & 7 respectively aggregating Rs 264 in named number 260.

Trivettoor 2 Teachers at Rs 15 & 10 respectively
Sirumathur 1 Teacher at Rs 15.

True Copy

Director of Public Instruction

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Extract from the Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Local Fund Board for the Sudaskpet Circle dated 20th July 1874.

Present.

R. W. Barlow Esqre President
S. Vejia Rayavoolo Chetty garoo Vice do
Col F. J. Moberly R. E.
J. T. Fowler Esqre
M. Vencatarama Pillay Assistant

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2 Read G. O. dated 19th May 1874 No 865 directing the reconsideration and revision of the Scheme of Unions.

Proposed by S. Vejia Rayavoolo Chettiar, seconded by Mr Fowler and carried unanimously that the following resolution be adopted.

The Government in para 3 of their order dated 11th July 1873 No 971 allotted Rs 8470 for the Sydapet Circle as the amount estimated to be expended from the House tax in the current year

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Kuthumbakum
Vellaveedu
Aminjicarai
Sirovaloor
Pyanumbakum
Koilpidari
Trichopasore
Pakum
Cadumbathoor
Senjo
Kranee
Solavaram
Palicat
Poodamedu

Estimates for new School buildings have been sanctioned, and materials have been prepared for the building at Tiruvottoor. The Schools are actually required as elementary education is very backward in the localities alluded to. and the Government are aware that the funds at the disposal of this Board, are very limited. Circle, will certainly shake the confidence of the people in the Proceedings of the Board, and under these circumstances, this Board resolve to request the President, to address the Government through the Board of Revenue on the subject, and to solicit the continuance of the special grant of Rs. 8470 for the maintenance of the Schools, the establishment of which has already been determined upon; the establishment of other Schools being deferred till

till the general scheme is settled. The decrease in the provision made in the Budget for the current year, is owing to the Board of Revenue having struck out the proposed schools in the Ponnery Taluq, on the ground that they have not been sanctioned. The scheme, however, had all been settled and would be started at once if funds are given.

The Board deprecate the reduction of the provision made for sanitation, as the improvement of the sanitary condition of the District is sadly needed.

Signed R. W. Burlow
President.

True Extract.

R W Burlow
President

Ex. Proceedings
Rec'd 22 Oct 74

No. 2000.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
MADRAS, 21st October 1874.

From

E. B. POWELL, Esq.,
Director of Public Instruction.

To

The Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

SIR,

I have the honour to forward Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No 2723 of the 23rd ultimo, as requested by the Board in their letter No 2000 of the 12th instant.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt Servt,

S. Powell

Director of Public Instn.

Lyd M.D.

Financial (Branch?)
Department 1874.
From
The Director of Public Instruction,
[illegible]
Dated 28 October 1874
Received 30 " "
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Submitting with remarks Proceedings of the Board of Revenue on the extension of schools in the [illegible] Circle.

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Under the circumstances reported the Govt. will not object to the continuance of the schools already established and will pass orders regarding a grant for the current year on receipt of the ~~opinion~~ recommendation of the Board of Revenue on the report called for in para 7 of their Proceedings.

With reference to the further extension of elementary education in the circle the Govt. must adhere to the instructions conveyed in para 2

Govt. of {1874} Madras.
Fmd.

To
The Board of Revenue.
&c.

G. O. 13 Novr. 1874. No. 1942.

Nos. 116-117.

Re 855 - abstd &c.

Re Lessee Union Schools in the Tydapeth Circle.

Under the circumstances mentioned, the continuance of the Schools already established allowed orders regarding a grant for the current year reserved until receipt of the recommendation of the Board of Revenue on the report called for in para 7 of their Proc. with reference to the further Extension of Elementary Education in the Circle, the instructions conveyed in para 2 of G.O. 19 May &c.