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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Civil Fund.

No. 174. Read the following letter from H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Civil Fund, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 9th November 1875, No. 489 :—

I am directed by the Trustees of the Madras Civil Fund to forward, for the perusal of Government, copies of a communication which has been received from the Accountant-General, informing the Trustees that orders have been received for the preparation of the Civil Fund Budget in a certain way, and of the reply which the Trustees have caused to be addressed to that officer. His Excellency in Council will observe from the instructions given that it is in contemplation to withdraw altogether the assistance which, by means of the special interest and exchange, has hitherto been allowed to the Fund and that proposals to that end either have been, or are on the eve of being, forwarded to the Secretary of State for India for orders.

2. I am to state, with regard to the first point, that the Trustees, though authorized and willing to discuss the subject with a view of arriving at a settlement of the future basis of the Fund which might be reasonable and could be recommended to the Service, yet feel that they would be false to their trust if they, for a moment, allowed it to be supposed that such terms as those indicated could be accepted.

My letters, Nos. 329 and 469, dated 17th July and 26th October 1875.

3. On the second point, the Trustees feel much surprise that their respectful request, to be permitted to record their sentiments with reference to the proposals of the Government of India before they were laid before the Secretary of State, has remained unnoticed and unreplied to, and observe that this course presents a marked contrast to the action adopted by the Madras Civil Service, which has been favorably recognized by the Government of India itself, and which might be held to have entitled the Service to greater consideration.

G.O., dated 25th June 1875, No. 1359.

4. Finally, I am to request that the Governor in Council will, in justice to the Trustees and the Service, forward to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State in Council this their respectful protest against the matter being considered by him on the representations of the Government of India alone, and against the assumption made by that Government that the rights of the Service in the matter can be disposed of by mere order of the ruling authority. Believing that it is possible, and advantageous for the interests committed to their charge, that an amicable settlement should be effected, the Trustees, with every confidence in the justice and impartiality of the Marquis of Salisbury, object to the course adopted by the Government of India as tending to commit him to one-sided and extreme views which might render such settlement altogether impracticable.

From the Accountant-General, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Civil Fund, dated Fort St. George, 6th November 1875, No. 7849.

Book Department.

[*Vide* demi-official from the Financial Secretary, No. 727, dated 30th October 1875.]

The undersigned has the honor to state that it has been intimated to this office by the Financial Secretary to the Government of India in regard to the Madras Civil Fund that, pending orders from the Secretary of State for India, interest at four per cent. only is to be allowed upon the whole of the balance of the fund and exchange reckoned at the adjusting rate of the year for transactions between the Government of India and the Imperial Government. Your estimate and actuals must, therefore, be prepared accordingly.

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,
Accountant-General.

From H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Civil Fund, to R. W. LODWICK, Esq., Accountant-General, dated Madras, 9th November 1875, No. 487.

I am directed, in reply to your communication, No. 7849, dated 6th instant, to inform you that the Trustees are not prepared to accept the repudiation by the Government of India of the obligations under which it lies. I am, therefore, to say that the budget estimate of the demands against Government on account of the Civil Fund for 1876-77 and the actuals for 1875-76 will be prepared as usual and forwarded to you in due course.

No. 175. ORDER THEREON, 30th December 1875, No. 2527.

Ordered that copy of this letter be forwarded to the Government of India, and to the Secretary of State.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 176. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort St. George, 30th December 1875, No. 2528.

With reference to the correspondence marginally noted, I am directed to transmit copy of a letter, dated 9th November 1875, No. 489, from the Secretary to the Madras Civil Fund, and to intimate that copy of it has been sent direct to the Secretary of State.

To the Government of India, dated 7th April 1875, No. 779.
From the Government of India, dated 16th June 1875, No. 1330.
To the Government of India, dated 24th July 1875, No. 1634.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

Govt. of {1875 Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE TRUSTEES OF THE CIVIL FUND.

Dated December, 30th.

Issued

Read.

G.O., 30*th December* 1875, *Nos.* 2527-28.

DECEMBER.
Nos. 174—176.

Civil Fund.—Letter from the Secretary, communicating protest against the withdrawal by the Government of India of the special rate of interest and exchange hitherto granted to the Fund, communicated to the Government of India and Secretary of State.

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No. 7849

Fort Saint George
Accountant General's office
6th November 1875

Book Department

From,

The Accountant General
Madras

To,

The Secretary Civil Fund

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Vide. No. 727 dated 30th October 1875

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(Sigd) R. H. Lodwick
Accountant General
Madras

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No 484. Civil Fund Office
9 November 1875

Civil Fund No 2619/75

From,

H. E. Stokes Esquire
Secretary to the Civil Fund

To,

R. W. Lodwick Esquire
Accountant General

Sir,

I am directed in reply to your communication No 7849 dated 6 instant to inform you that the Trustees are not prepared to accept the repudiation by the Government of India of the obligations under which it lies, I am therefore to say that the budget estimate of the demand of against Government on account of the Civil Fund for 1876-7 and the details for 1875-6 will be prepared as usual and forwarded to you in due course.

I have &c
(Signed) H. E. Stokes
Secretary

(True Copies)

H. Evans
Secretary

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Financial Department,

No. 2619.

From The Secy. to the Civil Fund.

Dated 9 Nov. 1875.

FOR ORDERS.

Certain of the Civil Fund

Pl. transmit
a Minute for J.S.
thereon by direct
& Sec. of S. in Finance
to G.S. that we may
draw &c.

Pl. advise the
Minister pay Comm.
from the G.I. this Govt
does not feel called
on to express any opinion
on the subject. W.W.

Protest against withdrawal from Civil Fund of Surplus of Interest and Exchange

For orders

Must lie over — as another paper has come in 18/11/5

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No 489. Civil Fund Office 9th November 1875

From,

H. E. Stokes Esquire
Secretary to the Civil Fund

To,

The Hon. D. F. Carmichael
Acting Chief Secretary to Government
Financial Department

Sir,

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I am to state, with regard to the first point that the Trustees, though authorized and willing to discuss the subject, with a view of arriving at a settlement of the future basis of the Fund which might be reasonable and

and could be recommended to the service, yet feel that they would be false to their trust if they for a moment allowed it to be supposed that such terms as those indicated could be accepted.

On the second point, the Trustees feel much surprise that their respectful request, to be permitted to record their sentiments with reference to the proposals of the Government of India before they were laid before the Secretary of State, has remained unnoticed and unreplied to; and observe that this course presents a marked contrast to the action adopted by the Madras Civil Service, which has been favourably recognized by the Government of India itself, and which might be held to have entitled the Service to greater consideration.

Finally I am to request that the Governor in Council will, in justice to the Trustees and the Service forward to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State in Council this their respectful protest against the matter being considered & ruled on the representations of the Government of India alone; and against the assumption made by that Government that the rights of the Service in the matter can be disposed of by mere order of the ruling authority. Believing that it is possible, and advantageous for the interests committed to their charge, that an amicable settlement should be effected, the Trustees, with every confidence in the justice and impartiality of the

Marquis

P.C. dated 25 Jan 1859

Rec'd 3 Feb 1859 at Madras

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I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

H Elwes

Secretary

Desp^d 30/12/75

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Financial Department.

No. 2528.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,
Financial Department.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence marginally noted I am directed to transmit copy of a letter dated 9th November 1875 No. 489 from the Secretary to the Madras Civil Fund and to intimate that Copy of it has been sent direct to the Secretary of State.

I have &c

To Govt of India, dated 7th April 1875 No. 779.
From — do — do dated 16th June 1875 No. 1030.
To — do — do dated 24th July 1875 No. 1634.

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Ent^d Sec^y
30th Dec^r 1875

Order thereon 30th Dec^r 75. No. 2527

Ordered that copy of this letter be forwarded to the Govt of India, and to the Secretary of State.

By his Excellency the Right Hon^ble the Governor in Council.

(30 Dec)

25 June 1875 Rec^d 25th-26th
24 Sept 1875 — 15-16
2 Oct 1875 — 21-22
2 Dec 1875 — 23rd
8 Dec 1875 — 24th

The Secretary to the Madras Civil Fund
To
The Secretary to the Civil Funds.

Dated Fort St George 9th November 1875.

Rec^d 19th Nov 1875

No. 489

Sir,

Referring to the proposals of the Government of India for maintaining the assistance hitherto granted to the Civil Funds by means of Secret Interest & exchange & requesting that this proceeding may be forwarded to the Right Hon^ble the Secretary of State for India for his consideration

I have &c

Signed

Fin. 1875 —— Department

No. 2527-8

To

The Secretary to the
Government of Sind
Fin. Department.

Dated 30th Dec. 1875.

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Cir Rec'd - Letter from the Secy cautioning against the withdrawal of the Spl Estate of interest & exchange Certificate granted to the Fund, Com. & Letter Gof I & S of S