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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

17th December 1881, No. 2453.

Stationery.

Read again—

From J. G. FERRAND, Esq., Superintendent of Stationery, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 18th October 1881, No. 734 [Current No. 2864].

With reference to the orders noted in the margin, I beg to report that I wrote to the Superintendents in Calcutta and Bombay on 15th September as to the best means of promoting attempts at the manufacture of ink in India, suggesting that we should advertise for the ink required, specifying the probable annual demand and the last price of English ink. I have received no reply from Calcutta, and the Superintendent in Bombay has made no remark on my suggestion. Besides Iyah Pillai, a report on whose black ink was recorded in the first of the above Government Orders, a Mr. B. M. Kelkar of Poona makes both black and red ink. The Chemical Examiner reports on his

black ink that it is more readily removeable than writing made with the black ink at present supplied by Government and is therefore, apart from all question of appearance, inferior to that now in use. I prefer Iyah Pillai's to Mr. Kelkar's black ink. I have tried Mr. Kelkar's red ink and cannot report favorably of it, as the color is not distinctly red. I have English black-ink powders and fuchsine for red ink sufficient for a year.

For procuring ink powders of Indian manufacture I would propose—

- (1) that an advertisement be published both in the *Fort St. George Gazette* and in the newspapers inviting tenders for supplying the best black and red ink powders of Indian manufacture for the next yearly requirement;
- (2) that persons tendering be required to furnish samples which should be examined and reported upon by a Committee composed of the Chemical Examiner and two or more representatives of the principal public offices;
- (3) that an encouragement be held out in the advertisement that if the inks supplied during the year are perfectly satisfactory, a further contract will be entered into with the same parties for the inks required for the next five years.

No. 2100.

ORDER.—The Superintendent's proposals are generally approved. He should submit draft of the advertisement for the perusal of Government.

(Signed) R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

31st October 1881.

Read also the following paper :—

From J. G. FERRAND, Esq., Superintendent of Stationery, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 12th December 1881, No. 1018 [Current No. 3437].

I beg to suggest that the G.O., 31st October last, No. 2100, approving generally of my proposals for obtaining ink powders of Indian manufacture, be communicated to the Chemical Examiner in order that he may be prepared to serve on the Committee for examining the inks, if this has not been already done, and that orders may be passed regarding the other members of the Committee. I would suggest that these be selected from the following offices :—

Revenue Board.
Accountant-General's.
Commissary-General's.

ORDER THEREON, 17th December 1881, No. 2453.

G.O., No. 2100, dated the 31st October 1881, will be communicated to the Chemical Examiner, who, with the Superintendent of Stationery and officers nominated by the Accountant-General, the Board of Revenue, and the Commissary-General, will sit on the Committee for examining the inks.

(True Extract.)

R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

To the Chemical Examiner.
" Superintendent of Stationery.
" Accountant-General.
" Board of Revenue.
" Commissary-General, through the Military Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Govt. of (1881) Madras.
FINANCIAL.

To
THE CHEMICAL EXAMINER,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated December, 17th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 17th December 1881, No. 2453.

DECEMBER.

Stationery.—G.O. No. 2100 of 1881 communicated to the Chemical Examiner, and certain officers directed to sit on the Committee for examining the inks prepared from ink powders of Indian manufacture.

Stationery Office

18 Feb. 1882

Dear Sir

Some Members of the
Committee for examining
the inks of Indian ma-
nufacture appointed
by Govt. G.O. 17th
Decr. 1881, No 2453,
think that under the
decision of the Govt.

Govt. of (1881) ~~India~~

of India on
the subject pub-
lished in the last
Gazette of India
there is nothing fur-
ther for the Committee
to do. I have been
asked by the President
of the Committee, Major
Bruce, to make a

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reference on the
point and shall
therefore feel much
obliged if you
will favor me with
your opinion whe-
ther the Committee
should proceed. We
opened the tenders last
Wednesday. There were
only two for red ink
if one was acknowledged

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ing the inks prepared from ink powders of Indian
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From

The Superintendent of Stationery 2/18
Feb'y 1882 - enquiring with reference
to a resolution of the Govt. of India
published in the Gazette of India
of the 11th instant, whether the
Committee appointed in Madras
for examining Indian inks
should proceed with their work.

FOR ORDERS.

I think they had better
report on the inks
tendered - & get
samples of three
kinds from the Govt.
& test them also

M

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to be Fuchsin & the
other Ponceau & there-
fore not Indian ma-
nufacture. Under
instructions I have
had the black inks
made & the next
thing is to try them.

Yours faithfully
J. G. Ferrand

Honble. R. Davidson C. S.

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Inks of Indian
manufacture

FOR ORDERS.

Wm W. Hudson

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Chief Secretary
23^d July 82

Dear Sir, 2453

With reference to
your letter official of the
18 Inst. I am to say that
the Committee had better
report on the ink's rendered
and obtain samples
of those named in the
Govt of India Resolution
& test them also.

Yours faithfully
J. G. Saunders

To J. G. Saunders Esq
Supt of Stationery.

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Letter of Indian

D/o

To

J. J. Ferrand Esq.

of 23 - Feb 12

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N^o 734

From

Stationery Office
Madras
18 October 1881
CURRENT No. 2864
The Superintendent of Stationery
Madras
To, The Chief Secretary to Government
Financial Department
Sir

G.O. 27 August 1881 N^o 1578.
Directing Superintendent of
Stationery Madras to consult
with the corresponding officers
in the other Presidencies as to
the best means of promoting
attempts at the manufacture
of ink in India.

G.O. 13 October 1881 N^o 1989.
Communicating letter from
Government of India stating
that the item of ink powders
has been struck out of estimate
of cost of European stationery
required during 1882-83, as ink
should be obtained of Indian
manufacture, and inquiring
what arrangements he proposes
to make for procuring ink
powders of Indian manufacture.

With reference to the orders noted in
the margin, I beg to report that
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in Calcutta and Bombay on 15th
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- (3) that an encouragement be held out in the advertisement that if the inks supplied during the year are perfectly satisfactory a further contract will be entered into with the same parties for the inks required for the next five years.

I have the honor to be
Your most obedient servant

J. Verrand
Secy Superintendent of Stationery

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13/10/81 No 1989 Sir

From, (Stationery)
The Superintendent
of Stationery
Madras

To, The Chief Secretary
to Govt.
Finl Deptt

Dated 18th October 1887
Received 20 Oct/87

No 734

11/15/87
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CURRENT No. 28641

Making certain proposals
for procuring black & red
ink powders of Indian
manufacture

Yr. Obedt Servant
for orders.

[Signature]

25/10/87

Stationery Office
Madras
No 1018 CURRENT No. 3437
18th December 1887

From, The Superintendent of Stationery
Madras
To, The Chief Secretary to Government
Financial Department

Sir, ^{24³/₁₀} Fort Saint George
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Revenue Board,
Accountant Generals,
Commissionary Generals.

I have the honor to be
Your most obedt servant

[Signature]
Superintendent of Stationery
Madras

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From ^{Final 1881 Dept.} ^(Stationery) The Superintendent of Stationery ^{Madras}
To The Chief Secretary to Govt. Ind. Dept. ^{Port M. George}

Sales 12
Receipts 13 } December 1881
P.D.
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CURRENT No. 3437

Suggests that g.O. No. 2100 of 31st October 1881 be communicated to the Chemical Examiner and that orders be passed regarding the other members of the Committee for examining the impurities of Indian manufactures.

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The Chemical Examiner
to the Supt. of Stationery
" " Acct. Genl.
" " Bd. of Rev.
Commissary Genl.
through the Ind. Dept.

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Gobt. of 1881 Madras.

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BY G.O. NO. 2453.

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