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G.O., No. 517

Dated 12th July 1895.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

BUDGET ESTIMATE.-

Considering that the----of Church of England charges should
continue to be prepared by the Accountant General.

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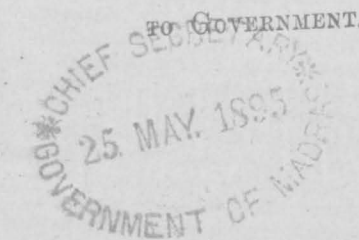
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CURRENT No. 1240
Financial Dept.
Govt. of Madras.
ECCLESIASTICAL.

From

THE REVEREND S. MORLEY, M.A.,
BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE
THE CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT.



Dated 24 } May 1895.
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No. 14/13 Enclosure

Subject.

States that the Bishop thinks
that it is far easier for the Asst.
General to prepare the Ch. of Eng.
Budget Estimate than for him
for reasons given.

Reference
WITH ORDER

875: 22.10.94 S.C.



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Referred to the Accountant
General for remarks.

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Chief Secretary

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No. 1413.

Ootacamund 24th May 1895.

From

REV. S. MORLEY, M.A.,

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Stone HouseOotacamund.

SIR,

With reference to Government Order 22nd, October 1894, No. 875, Financial, I have the honor, by desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop, to state that he does not see how the Budget Estimate of the Church of England charges can be "more advantageously" prepared by himself than by the Accountant General.

2. The reason given by the Officiating Accountant General in his letter to the Chief Secretary, dated 6th October 1894, paragraph 3, for transferring the preparation of the Estimate to the Bishop does not seem to be sound; as the Bishop is not the "authority controlling the expenditure" in his Department, and does not exercise any such control. The only cases in which, he may appear to do so are when he himself is travelling and chaplains accompany or meet him, and he countersigns their bills, such countersignature, not being understood to certify that the bill is correct, but only that the clergyman has made the journey.

3. The control of the following items of

expenditure is practically in the Archdeacon's Office
viz:

Supplies and Furniture;
Grant in aid towards import duty.

4. It would not be difficult to estimate the salaries of Chaplains, and grants in aid to other clergymen in the Bishop's Office. But there are several other items for estimating which he has no data - such as Clerks, Church Servants, Travelling allowances for Chaplains, rent rates and taxes, service postage, hot and cold weather charges, contingencies admissible without detailed audit. In order to make a Budget it would be necessary to obtain information from the Accountant General's Office, more or less detailed, of the expenditure incurred during the last few preceding years.

5. It seems to His Lordship that it is far easier and more satisfactory for the Accountant General to continue to prepare the Church of England Budget with the full information he has and his large staff of Clerks, than for the Bishop to undertake it.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

J. Evelyn,

Bishop's Chaplain.

Budget

DEPARTMENT.

CURRENT No 1404

FORT ST. GEORGE,

Accountant-General's Office,

13th June 1895.

No. 1520

From

F. C. Harrison Esquire,

Offg. ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE

Chief Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

SIR,

With reference to your endorsement No. 1175 dated the 1st of June 1895, referring to me the accompanying letter from the Bishop's Chaplain regarding the transfer of the preparation and submission of the Budget Estimates of the Church of England from my Office to that of the Lord Bishop, I have the honour to offer the following remarks.

2 The object of the proposed change is to afford the ^{Lord} local Bishop as head of the Church of England the same facilities as are enjoyed by other heads of offices and

Departments, for reviewing and scrutinizing the annual expenditure of his subordinates and for seeing on the one hand that the necessary provision is made in the estimates and on the other, that nothing is provided for which is not absolutely necessary.

3 It is agreed that it would not be difficult in the Bishop's office to estimate the salaries of Chaplains and grants in aid to other clergymen: and it is this portion of the Church of England charges that is by far the heaviest and the most difficult to estimate in the absence of departmental information. My office is simply guided by the figures of past years and has little information of the requirements of the service during the ensuing year, such as for instance the leave arrangements &c of the chaplains.

4 It is urged that sufficient data are not forthcoming in the Bishop's office to frame estimates under Establishments, Allowances, Supplies and Services, and Contingencies. This may be the case in

other

other offices also. All that is required of the Lord Bishop is to issue the necessary instructions to Chaplains and Ministers to submit their Budget Estimates to him ^{and} from those figures to draw up a consolidated estimate for submission to Government through me. The actuals of past years and of the current year as far as available may be obtained from my office as they are by other officers.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obed^t Servant.

Marion
Offg. Accountant General.

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From
THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,
MADRAS,

To
THE Chief Secy Holport
Financial Dept

No. 1520

Dated 13 June 95
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CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
No. 1520
15 JUN. 1895
Subject.

Offering remarks on
the transfer of the preparation
and submission of the
Budget Estimates of the
Church of England from
the office of the Accountant
General to that of the
Lord Bishop

Order No. 1404
The Accountant-General's
letter is forwarded to the Right
Reverend the Bishop in favour
of remarks. Redmichie

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Chief Secretary
Ootacamund
18 June 1895

TO BE RETURNED
WITH REPLY.

No. 1509
Financial Dept
Govt of Madras.
ECCLESIASTICAL.

From
THE REVEREND S. MORLEY, M.A.,
BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To
THE HONORABLE
THE CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT.

CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
27 JUN. 1895

Dated 27 June 1895.
Received
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No. 1434 Enclosure 2

Subject.
Forwards the remarks of the
Bishop on the transfer to his
office of the preparation of
the Budget Estimate of the Ecc.
Department.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Ootacamund 27th June 1895.

No. 1434.

From

REV. S. MORLEY, M.A.,

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Stone HouseOotacamund.

SIR,

With reference to Endorsement No. 1404 dated 18th June 1895 on the Accountant General's letter No. 1520 dated 13th June 1895 (herewith returned) I have the honor, by desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop, to state that, whilst His Lordship would cheerfully endeavour to discharge the duty of preparing the estimate in the Ecclesiastical Establishment, if His Excellency the Governor should judge it right to transfer that duty from the Accountant General's Office to the Bishop's, he still thinks that his office is not so well equipped as that of the Accountant General for the work to be done. In estimating "the requirements of the service for the ensuing year, such as the leave arrangements of the Chaplains," the average of the preceding few years must be the guide whether for the Accountant General or for the Bishop.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

S. Morley

Bishop's Chaplain.

C. No. 1240, 1404 & 1509.

FOR ORDERS.

As remarked, the present system is not satisfactory one - Perhaps we had better not press for a change against the Bishop's wishes. Had an old man back to start a new system -

BS

6/7/95

When there is a new Bishop he can make the change.

JS
9/7

C.S.
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ORDER d/12th July 1895. No. 517.

The Govt considers that, under the circumstances, the Budget Estimate of Church of England charges should continue to be prepared by the Accl. Gm.

C.S.
9.7.95

From order

BS
11/7/95

Accl. Gm. 1240 + 1404 = 2,150
Rt. Rev. the Bishop (au 2).

Please see paras. 2 & 3 of the Accl. Gm's letter in S.O. of 22.10.94, No. 875, and para 2 of that order. The Accl. Gm. seems to be quite right and the Right. Rev. the Bishop should be able to arrange for the compilation of the Church of England Budget, but ~~it is not apparent~~ ~~perhaps~~ perhaps it will be best not to press the proposal further and to leave matters as they are. i.e. let the Accl. continue to prepare the budget. The arrangement is, however, not a satisfactory one.

C.S.
11.9.95

A change to the Bishop's Office would certainly not better matters

BS

5/7/95

20 JUL 95

M.S.

Finl. Dept

*Preparation of Church
of England Budget*

FOR ORDERS.

HON'BLE MEMBER.

and Hon'ble J. Groves

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