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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

6th March 1877, No. 839.

Local Funds—Medical.

Read the following papers:—

No. 73. *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd February 1877, No. 436.*

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vallam, 19th December 1876, No. 628:—

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated the 8th June last, No. 1,513, I have the honor to submit the accompanying scheme as revised by the Local Fund Board, Tanjore Circle, in regard to the establishment of a Medical College at Trivady in the name of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

2. In the scheme originally submitted to Government it was reported that the subscription already collected amounted to Rupees 53,210. This has been raised by subsequent collections up to 23rd June 1876 to Rupees 53,580, which, together with the contribution of Rupees 32,000 from the funds of the Kalliamahal Chuttrum, makes up a total of Rupees 85,580. There is at present at the credit of the Medical College Rupees 81,400 in Promissory notes and Rupees 8,200 in cash, including the interest drawn on the former.

3. The salary of the Principal under the present scheme will have to be reduced from Rupees 250 to Rupees 150. This in addition to the usual payment and allowances of a Medical Officer will, it is hoped, be just sufficient to serve as an inducement for a superior Medical officer to take up collegiate duties.

4. Instead of two teachers on Rupees 100 each, one on Rupees 70 per mensem will probably suffice for the present.

5. The remaining establishment will stand as originally proposed with a reduction of Rupees 500 in the cost of furniture and apparatus.

6. The scheme as now revised is as follows:—

	RS.
1 Principal	150
1 Teacher	70
2 Peons	12
1 Sweeper	5
Total ...	237 per mensem or
	2,844 „ annum.
Furniture and apparatus	500
	3,344

7. As it will be inconvenient to make use of the Kallianamahal building immediately for the college at Trivady, and as it is undesirable to postpone the opening of

the institution to the uncertain date on which the superior advantages of the Kallianamahal site and building will be available, I beg to propose, as a tentative and temporary measure, to start the college at Tanjore, where a suitable building can be hired and where the Raj Hospital, the Jail, and the Mohanambal Boyi Saib's Female Hospital about to be opened will, it is expected, give together sufficient subjects for tuition. It is proposed to open the college early in January next. I have, therefore, the honor to request that the Board will be pleased to accord their sanction for the proposal at their early convenience, and to request Government to appoint a doctor for the charge of the college.

8. Something is hoped from the local popularity and Tamil knowledge of the Zillah Surgeon Dr. O'Hara now about to be relieved, if in other respects the Government should consider that appointment suitable.

9. I beg to add that, in consequence of Government having declined to grant the aid solicited in my letter, No. 167, dated the 25th March last, the cost of the original proposal has necessarily been reduced by one-half.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G.O., dated 16th October 1875, No. 2,048.

2. The cost of the scheme for the Medical College as now revised will be less than the income arising from funds already in hand, and sanction is requested for it. The Collector also requests that a Medical officer be deputed for the charge of the institution.

3. It is proposed to open it at Tanjore instead of Trivady, and to hire a building for the purpose. The surplus income will, the Board fear, scarcely suffice for the purpose, being only Rupees 20 per mensem; but further contributions from Local and Municipal Funds may probably be obtained to meet any deficiency, if the scheme is approved.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 363.

Referred to the Surgeon-General, with the former papers, for his remarks.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
14th February 1877.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 74. From Surgeon-General G. SMITH, M.D., Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 3rd March 1877, No. 143.

Adverting to docket, No. 363, dated 14th February, I have the honor to submit the following remarks for the consideration of His Grace the Governor in Council.

2. The original proposal made by the President of the Local Fund Boards, Tanjore, No. 599, dated 21st August 1875, to utilize the surplus funds of the Kallianamahal endowment at Trivady in establishing a public dispensary in that town with accommodation for in-patients was one to be accepted with satisfaction, not only for its intrinsic importance, but also because it carried out the charitable intention of the

late Rajah in a mode consonant with his own feelings, as shown by the practical interest he took in the welfare of the Rajah's Hospital at Tanjore.

3. The subsequent merging of the dispensary scheme into the larger one of a Medical College seemed to secure general approval and support, including the approval of Government, who however, whilst recognizing the value of the suggestion, stated that they did not "see their way to grant the sum required," this sum being a contribution "equal to the local subscriptions."

4. The result of this reference led to the drawing up of a revised scheme, by which the defects of the first scheme were intensified, the locality of the college tentatively changed to Tanjore, and the pay of the proposed staff reduced. Under which process the project of a Medical College became impossible of accomplishment.

5. In this manner a praiseworthy project of establishing a valuable and complete dispensary, with accommodation for in-patients and with ample funds for gradually raising the institution to the level of a Provincial School of Medicine educating up to the Hospital Assistant standard, has collapsed in consequence of efforts having been made to substitute for it the more pretentious scheme of a Medical College, which college, it is to be noted, was only to afford a medical training inferior in some respects to that sanctioned for the grade of Hospital Assistant.

6. I would advise that the Medical College scheme be abandoned, at all events for the present; that the original project be reverted to; and that when the proper time comes the claims of Trivady or of Tanjore be brought forward along with those of Madura and Trichinopoly when the question of the proper locality for a Provincial School comes up for discussion.

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8. On the general question of dispensaries and Provincial Medical Schools my views were laid before Government in communication from this office No. 127, dated 27th February.

No. 75.

ORDER THEREON, 6th March 1877, No. 839.

The Surgeon-General's letter will be communicated through the Board of Revenue to the Collector of Tanjore. The whole scheme must be reconsidered.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

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To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.

Copy to the President of the Local Fund Boards, Tanjore District.

Exd. A. Grubert.

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Office of Surgeon General India
Fort Saint George 3rd March 1877

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Surgeon General Ind. Med. Dept.

To

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Wm Smith

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