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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 7th December 1864.

No. 105. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Financial Department, dated 30th November 1864, No. 591.

Communicating Resolution of Government of India, directing the preparation of Instructions and Forms of Accounts, in view to giving effect to the changes recommended by Mr. Foster in the Financial Department, and the offices of Account and Audit attached to that Department.

(Vide Proceedings, Financial Department, dated 30th November 1864, Nos. 47 & 48.)

No. 106. ORDER THEREON, 7th December 1864, No. 1769.

To be recorded.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 30th November 1864.

No. 47. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, dated the 10th November 1864, No. 3169.

Read again the Resolution of the Government of India on the Report of the Commissioners of Inquiry into the Indian Accounts upon the mode of conducting the business of the Financial Department, and of the offices of Account and Audit attached to that Department, dated October 4th, 1864, No. 2805.

RESOLUTION.—As it has been proposed to the Secretary of State to detain Mr. Foster during such time as may be necessary to give effect to the improved system of Account and Audit, recommended in his and Mr. Whiffin's Report, it becomes necessary to lay down the course to be followed in order to carry out, without delay, and with the utmost efficiency, such changes as may be sanctioned in the system of Account and Audit in the Financial Department.

2. Mr. Foster will be charged with the duty of preparing the detailed instructions and forms of account which will be necessary to bring the new arrangements into practical operation.

3. The Accountant General to the Government of India, and the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General for Bengal, will co-operate with Mr. Foster, and give him every assistance they may be able to afford, but it will be desirable to place, specially under Mr. Foster, a staff of Officers whose duty it will be to prepare, under his directions, such rules and regulations, and such books of account as may be required under the revised system.

4. The Officers who will be employed in this service are—

1. Mr. Sandeman, Civil Paymaster.
2. „ Wyatt, First Assistant to the Auditor General.
3. „ Turner, Assistant to the Commissioner.
4. „ A. C. Foster, of the Financial Department.

5. These, with a limited number of intelligent Clerks, to be selected, as far as possible, from those now employed in the Financial offices, will be sufficient for the preliminary steps which will have to be taken in anticipation of the complete system being commenced on the 1st of May next.

6. It is not intended to pass any final decision on the recommendations contained in the Report until the opinions of the Local Governments and Administrations shall have been received; but it is desired to put those recommendations into a practical form, capable of immediate application, and to make such other subsidiary arrangements as can with advantage be adopted. The Governor General in Council also deems it advisable that the revised system should, with the concurrence of the Lieutenant Governor, be experimentally introduced at Calcutta and throughout the Government of Bengal, in order that a model may be obtained for the rest of India. Every official instruction that may be necessary for giving effect to this Resolution will be issued through the Financial Secretary's Office.

Ordered that a copy be transmitted to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, with an expression of the wish of the Governor General in Council, that every necessary assistance may be given to Mr. Foster in the execution of the important duty which has been entrusted to him.

Also, that a copy be sent to the Accountant General, and to the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General of Bengal, and the other Officers named, for their information and guidance.

Also, that a copy be sent to the Local Governments and Administrations, other than the Government of Bengal, with a request that they will furnish their opinion upon the Report called for by the Resolution of October 4th, No. 2805, with the least practicable delay.

Also, that the Resolution be published in the *Gazette of India*.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. HOLLINGBERY,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
30th November 1864.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Under Secy. to Government.

26th November 1864.

No. 48. ORDER THEREON, 30th November 1864, No. 591.

Communicated to the several Departments of the Secretariat.

2. The Report of the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General has been received.

(True Extract.)

A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

To the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General.

Judicial Department.

Exd. J. Tulloch.