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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

Resolution of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department
(Pay and Allowances), dated Calcutta, 2nd March 1896, No. 998 P.

Read—

Letter from the Accountant-General, Bengal, No. 1198 T.B., dated 21st January 1895.
" in the Finance and Commerce Department, No. 3512 P., dated 23rd July 1895.
" from the Government of the Punjab, No. 587 S., dated 12th August 1895.
" " Chief Commissioner, Coorg, No. 1405, dated 14th August 1895.
" " Government of Bengal, No. 4533 F., dated 19th August 1895.
" " Chief Commissioner, Burma, No. 524—4 A-7, dated 27th August 1895.
" " Resident at Hyderabad, No. 303, dated 3rd September 1895.
" " Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, No. 6753, dated 6th Sept. 1895.
" " Government of Madras, No. 676, dated 7th September 1895.
" " Government of Bombay, No. 3142, dated 11th September 1895.
" " Chief Commissioner, Assam, No. 973 P.S.—5166 G., dated 12th Sept. 1895.
" " Chief Commissioner, Ajmere-Merwara, No. 1081—623 III, dated 17th
September 1895.
" " Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, No. 5233—
X.H.-142, dated 23rd October 1895.

Resolution.—In Circular letter, No. 3512 P., dated 23rd July 1895, quoted in
the preamble, Local Governments and Administrations were consulted as to the
expediency of laying down some general rule in regard to the period within which
claims of officers on account of arrears of pay or allowances should be investigated by
the Account Department.

2. It was observed that claims of this nature extending over a considerable
period are frequently submitted to Audit Officers, and that their investigation,
especially in the case of incremental pay, often involves a large amount of labour
with which the Account Offices ought not to be charged.

3. It was accordingly suggested that, after the lapse of what may be considered
a legitimate time (a limit of two years was proposed), the Audit Officer should refer
an applicant who submits a claim to arrears of pay or allowances to the Local
Government, leaving it to them to decide whether or not the circumstances justify
the undertaking of an enquiry.

4. After consideration of the replies received from the several Local Govern-
ments and Administrations, in which there is a general consensus of opinion in favour
of the proposal stated in paragraph 3 above, the Governor-General in Council is
pleased to direct that an Account Officer shall, unless he receives special orders from
the Local Government, refuse to investigate claims to arrears of pay or allowances or
to increments which have been allowed to remain in abeyance for a period exceeding
two years.

5. An Account Officer should not issue an order for the recovery from any officer of pay and allowances erroneously drawn more than one year before the issue of the retrenchment order without first obtaining the sanction of the Local Government, which has power to direct the amount to be written off, if it considers that the recipient was not in fault.

6. These orders apply also to the Account Officers of the Public Works Department.

Order.—Ordered that a copy of this resolution be communicated to the several departments of the Government of India; to the several Local Governments and Administrations; to the Comptroller and Auditor-General and all Accountants-General and Comptrollers; and to the several Heads of Departments under the Finance and Commerce Department.

(Signed) R. NATHAN,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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