GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

29th September 1881, No. 1828.

Stores.

Read the following paper:—

Proceedings of the Government of India in the Department of Finance and Commerce, (Stores), dated Simla, 2nd September 1881, *No.* 2562 [*Current No.* 2518].

Read again the following papers regarding the supply of stores required for the public service in India:—

Financial Resolution, No. 3574, dated 3rd November 1880.
" " " 953, " 10th June 1881.
" Circular, " 220, " 28th April "
" " " 621, " 14th May "

Read also the undermentioned letters from the Government of Madras, forwarding statements showing European stores procured through the Secretary of State, and purchased locally by certain officers, during the last two years:—

No. 1351 B., dated 23rd July 1881.
" 1381, " 27th " "

RESOLUTION.—From the statements submitted by the Government of Madras a list has been prepared, and is appended to this Resolution, showing the articles which, on the information before the Government of India, it is possible to obtain of Indian manufacture. The Governor-General in Council accordingly requests that His Excellency the Governor in Council of Madras will cause definite instructions to be issued to all the departments concerned to institute inquiry as to the cheapest and most convenient way of obtaining future regular supplies of such goods of Indian manufacture, as well as of any other goods which in the course of inquiry it may be found feasible to add to the list. In order to give manufacturers that confidence in the existence of a permanent and steady demand without which they cannot reasonably be expected to spend time and money in the manufacture of new classes of goods, the Governor-General in Council will be prepared to approve of contracts made by the Local Government for a term of say five years based on the equivalents of the average cost in the year 1880-81 laid down in Madras from England of articles entered in the list.

2. With regard to many of the articles entered in [illegible] Government of India has already issued general instructions in the [illegible] published in the *Gazette of India* since 23rd July last. Of the remaining [illegible] most important items are—longcloth, for which tenders should be invited from [illegible]dian Cotton Mills; twine and rope (these are manufactured by Messrs. Ahm[illegible]d Co[illegible] Calcutta and elsewhere); and chemicals. The kinds specified, viz., [illegible]hydrochloric [illegible] sulphuric acids, and various others, are made by Dr. Waldie, [illegible]utta.

Ordered that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Government of Madras for information and guidance, and with the request that the submission of the further returns promised may be expedited.

Ordered also that the Resolution be communicated to the other Local Governments and Administrations, and published in the *Gazette of India*.

(Signed) J. E. O'CONOR,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

List of Articles referred to in Resolution, No. 2562, dated the 2nd September 1881.

	1879-80.			1880-81.			TOTAL.	
	Rate.	Number or Quantity.	Total Cost.	Rate.	Number or Quantity.	Total Cost.	Number or Quantity.	Total Cost.
			RS. A. P.			RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.
Stationary Department, Madras.								
Longcloth	Rs. 6 10 11 per piece	102 23/40 pieces	685 6 10	Rs. 6 10 9 per piece.	65½ pieces	435 5 5	167 23/40 pieces	1,120 12 3
Twine, Europe	0 12 8 „ lb.	229 lbs.	181 4 8	0 12 6 „ lb.	374½ lbs.	292 9 3	603½ lbs.	473 13 11
„ hemp, fine	1 11 11 „ „	30 „	52 5 6	1 11 0 „ „	41 „	69 3 0	71 „	121 8 6
Tape in pieces, white	0 9 0 „ dozen	459 dozens	253 2 0	0 5 9 „ dozen.	510 dozens	183 4 6	960 dozens.	436 6 6
„ „ red	0 12 0 „ „	261 „	195 12 0	0 9 11 „ „	200 „	123 15 4	461 „	319 11 4
Lamp-black				0 4 0 „ lb.	12½ lbs.	3 2 0	12½ lbs.	3 2 0
Uncovenanted Civil Service Examinations, Madras.								
Blotting-paper					10-12-19 reams	163 13 7		
Longcloth					118½ yards	41 1 3		
Drill					4 „	1 0 0		
Paper-binders					9 gross	8 5 0		
Lock and key					1 number	0 4 6		
Pen-holders					6 „	0 1 6		
Cup for gum					2 „	0 5 6		
Medical Stores, Madras.								
Acid, hydrochloric				0 5 0 per lb.	752 lbs.	500 3 2		
„ nitric				0 8 0 „ „	284 „	237 5 3		
„ sulphuric				0 2 0 „ „	564 „	158 14 10		
Master Attendant's Office, Madras, Marine Stores.								
Bar soap	0 12 0 per lb.	5 lbs.	3 12 0				5 lbs.	3 12 0
Chalk	0 1 0 „ „	190 „	11 14 0	0 1 0 per lb.	180 lbs.	11 4 0	370 „	22 2 0
Lamp-black	0 6 0 „ „	1 „	0 6 0	0 6 0 „ „	1 lb.	0 6 0	2 „	0 12 0
Broadcloth (scarlet)	5 8 0 „ yard	1½ yards	8 4 0				1¼ yards	8 4 0
„ (blue)	2 4 0 „ „	3/8 yard	0 13 6				3/8 yard	0 13 6
Twine	0 12 0 „ skein	28 skeins	21 0 0	0 12 0 per lb.	29 lbs.	21 12 0	57 lbs.	42 12 0
Spirits of Wine	6 0 0 „ gallon	½ gallon	3 0 0				½ gallon	3 0 0
Tallow	0 8 0 „ lb.	363 lbs.	181 8 0	0 8 0 per lb.	149¾ lbs.	74 14 0	512¼ lbs.	256 6 0
White serge	1 8 0 „ yard	2 yards	3 0 0				2 yards	3 0 0
Linseed-oil	3 0 0 „ gallon	60 gallons	180 0 0	3 0 0 per gallon.	27 gallons	81 0 0	87 gallons.	261 0 0
Europe rope	39 0 0 „ cwt.	182 lbs.	63 6 0				182 lbs.	63 6 0
Copal varnish	8 0 0 „ gallon	2 gallons	16 0 0				2 gallons.	16 0 0
Scarlet serge				2 12 0 per yard	7½ yards	20 10 0	7½ yards	20 10 0
Blue drill				0 4 0 „ „	26 „	6 8 0	26 „	6 8 0
Galvanized iron buckets				1 4 0 each	12 number.	15 0 0	12 number.	15 0 0
Hasps and staples						1 0 0		1 0 0
Hammers				2 0 0 each	2 number.	4 0 0	2 number.	4 0 0
Zinc buckets				2 4 0 „	2 „	4 8 0	2 „	4 8 0
Manilla rope	40*s.* per cwt.	5 cwt. 2 qrs. 3 lbs.	£ *s.* *d.* 14 9 3					
Wire seizing thread, galvanized	32*s.*10*d.* per coil of 56 lbs.	3 coils	3 0 0					
Oil-cans for tide-gauge	1*s.* each	No. 4	0 4 0					
Kerosene brass lamps	21*s.* „	„ 12	14 10 4					
Cotton wick for lamps		144 yards						
			s. *d.*			£ *s.* *d.*		
Oil-cans	1*s.* each	No. 4	0 4 0	0 6 each	10 number	0 5 0		
Cart-covers				30 0 „	5 „	7 10 0		
Drag ropes				23 1 „	5 „	5 15 5		
Hammers				4 0 „	5 „	1 0 0		
Hand-barrows				16 0 „	5 „	4 0 0		
Pick-axes				3 10 „	5 „	0 19 2		
Screw-drivers				2 6 „	5 „	0 12 6		
Shovels				1 10 „	5 „	0 9 2		
Spades					10 „	0 18 4		
Spun yarn				0 6 per lb.	5 lbs.	0 2 6		
Tally-boards				4 6 each set	15 sets	3 7 6		
Tent-pegs				0 1½ each	40 number	0 5 0		
Triangles				5 0	45-6 „	11 7 6		
Tripods					5 „	1 12 6		
Swivels					5 „			
Wicks				0 6 per yard	5 yards	0 2 6		
Wrenches				5 7 each	5 number	1 7 11		
Axes				2 6 „	5 „	0 12 6		
Blocks, snatch				16 3 „	5 „	4 1 3		
Do. tail				11 4 „	10 „	5 13 4		
Do. traveller				30 0 „	5 „	7 10 0		
Boxes, rocket, line				33 3 „	15 „	24 18 9		
Do. do. carrying				12 6 „	20 „	12 10 0		
Do. tin fuze				3 6 „	5 „	0 17 6		
Do. tin for primers				5 0 „	5 „	0 2 1		
Do. whip				11 1 „	5 „	2 15 5		
Do. long, light				9 10 „	5 „	2 9 2		
Do. portfire				9 4 „	5 „	2 6 8		
Do. combined				10 9 „	5 „	2 13 9		
			£ *s.* *d.*			£ *s.* *d.*		
Stationery.								
Blotting-paper, pink	0 8 4	260 reams	108 6 8					
	0 9 8	370 „	178 16 8					
Paper, Europe, cartridge, 35 lbs.	0 14 5	120 „	86 10 0					
	0 13 6	30 „	20 5 0					
Do. white, cartridge, royal, 40 lbs.	0 16 0	224 „	179 4 0					
	0 14 9	76 „	56 1 0					
Do. brown, packing, Imperial cap, 70 or 75 lbs.	0 11 10	37 „	21 17 10					
	0 10 3	83 „	42 10 9					
Do. brown, packing, Imperial cap, 50 lbs.	0 7 10	8 „	3 2 8					
	0 7 8½	7 „	2 13 11					
Inkstands, pewter, round, complete	0 12 0	18 number	10 16 0					
	0 10 0	3 „	1 10 0					
Ink-bottles, delft	0 3 0	66 „	9 18 0					
Pen-holders for steel-pens	0 2 9 per gross.	200 gross	27 10 4					
Do. for lithographic pens	0 1 10 „	12 dozens	0 1 10					

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	Rate.	Number or Quantity.	Total Cost.	Rate.	Number or Quantity.	Total Cost.	Number or Quantity.	Total Cost.
Stationery—continued.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.					
Pen-holders for crow-quills	0 0 7½ per dozen.	2 dozens	0 1 3					
Do. for mapping pens	0 0 7⅛ ,,	8 ,,	0 4 9					
Do. for metallic pens	0 0 2 per gross.	3 gross	0 0 6					
Do. drawing	0 0 7½ per dozen.	3 number	0 0 2					
Do. for school pens	0 1 10 per gross.	3 ,,	0 0 1					
Pasteboards, Europe	0 0 2 per dozen.	2 dozens	0 0 4					
Scissors, large and small	0 1 6 per gross.	8 ,,	0 1 0					
Paper-folder knife	0 1 10 ,,	8 ,,	0 1 3					
Envelopes, brown paper, 11″ × 5″	0 10 6 ,,	817 ,,	35 14 10					
Do. linen lined, 13½″ × 5½″	0 1 6 per dozen.	100 ,,	72 10 0					
Press blanket	0 9 10 ,,	100 number	4 1 11					
Tape, red, broad	0 0 7½ each	35 ,,	1 1 11					
	0 10 10½ per 1,000	5,400 ,,	29 7 3					
	5 12 9 ,,	2,000 ,,	11 5 6					
	7 10 0 ,,	2,600 ,,	19 10 0					
	0 4 9 per yard	132 yards	31 7 0					
	0 1 1½ per dozen.	10 dozens	0 11 3					
Superintendent, Government Press, Madras.								
Brass rules	0 4 0 per dozen.	600 dozens	120 0 0					
Brass dotted rules	0 7 6 ,,	5 ,,	1 17 6					
Composing sticks, gun metal	0 9 0 each	50 number	22 10 0					
Double royal iron imposing table, with frames, &c.		1 ,,	7 15 0					
Iron cylindrical inking table, full size		1 ,,	7 0 0					
Cast-iron chases, double foolscap	0 16 0 per pair	6 pairs	4 16 0					
Do. do. royal 8vo.	0 14 6 ,,	15 ,,	10 17 6					
Do. do. demy with movable bars	0 19 0 ,,	6 ,,	5 14 0					
Oil feeders	0 3 6 each	6 number	1 1 0					
Scissors	0 1 1½ ,,	25 ,,	1 8 1					
Director of Public Instruction, Madras (Kumbakónam College).	RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.					
Brown paper	0 8 0 per quire	2½ quires	1 4 0					
Blotting-paper	0 5 6 ,,	12 ,,	4 2 0					
Chalk	0 0 6 per seer	58 seers	1 13 0					
Medical College Madras.								
Blotting-paper	0 12 0 per quire	1 quire	0 12 0					
Inspector of Schools, 6th Division.								
Blotting-paper	0 6 0 per quire	3 quires	1 2 0					

(Signed) J. E. O'CONOR, *Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT, 29TH SEPTEMBER 1881, No. 1828. 5

ORDER THEREON, 29th September 1881, No. 1828.

Communicated to the officers specially concerned, and to all other Heads of Departments.

2. The Honorable the Governor in Council directs that lists be prepared of all articles required excepting only such articles as it is *certain* can only be obtained in Europe, and that all Heads of Departments advertise their needs, stating their annual requirements on average, and five years' average of expenditure including carriage, and request information from all who can undertake to supply.

3. The advertisements should be published in the chief newspapers of Bombay, Madras, and Bengal, within one month of the receipt of this order, which, together with the Resolution of the Government of India and the enclosure thereto, will be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

4. Copy of these Proceedings will be forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

To all Departments of the Secretariat.
,, all Heads of Departments.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Order thereon dt 6th/81 No 29/5W

Communicated to the Genl Supdt P. W. Stores and the Supdt to Mr. A. W. for information & guidance

/true Extract/

Sdy L Pennycuick
Majr RE
Secy to Govt PWD

Govt. of (1881) Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE SECRETARIAT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated September, 29th.

Issued

Recd. Encl.

G.O., 29th September 1881, No. 1828.

SEPTEMBER.

B No 2591 W dt 24th Oct 81.

Stores.—Communicating, with instructions, Resolution of Government of India requesting that all departments obtaining stores from Europe may be directed to institute inquiry as to the cheapest and most convenient way of obtaining regular supplies of such goods hereafter, as far as possible, of Indian manufacture.

Genl Supdt P. W. S.
Supdt to A. Works
Exd

Stores

PRESIDENCY PUBLIC WORKS ~~WORKSHOPS~~,
Madras, 4th November 1881.

No. 1312 S.

From

THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,
PUBLIC WORKS ~~WORKSHOPS~~ Stores,

To

THE Chief Engineer P. W. D.
Madras.

Enclosures.

SIR,

With reference to G. O. No 2591 dt 24th October 1881 I have the honor to report that of the articles entered in the list referred to in resolution No 2562 dt 2nd September 1881, stationery is obtained entirely from the Government Depôt at Madras, and of the remaining articles acids only are used to any extent in the P. W. Workshops and they are always purchased from a local manufacturer.

2 The quantities used of the other materials and articles in the list, are so very small that it would not be advisable to call for tenders for their supply; they will however, in future be purchased of Indian manufacturers.

3 It would be impossible for the P. W. Stores and Workshops to submit Estimates of their requirements

requirements for 5 years, as they depend entirely on the orders received to execute work or supply stores.

4. The only articles which will be kept in stock are those which must be obtained from England and whenever possible, requisitions will be made on Indian Manufacturers, to meet demands which may arise.

5 In conclusion I would observe that the P. W. Workshop could manufacture many of the articles mentioned in the list, but unfortunately the high rate of percentage charged, deters Officers from applying to the Workshops, except for special works.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed't Serv't
W. C. Buddicom Capt R.E.
Genl Supt P. W. Storeafes

B No 2790 W dt 10th Nov 1881

Communicated to the Finl Departt. with reference to G.O. in that dept. No 1828 dt 29 Sept 81.

Cy

G.O 25-91 dt. 24-10-81.

For the Finl Dept
n Secy Govt P.W.D.
Despd 10-11-81.
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Presidency P. W. ~~Workshops~~ Stores.

From P W S No 6452

THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

P. W. ~~Workshops~~ Stores,

Madras.

To

The Chief Engineer
P W D
Chepauk

No. 1812 S.

Dated
Despd. November 1881.
Recd.

No. OF ENCLOSURES.

Subject.

~~Forwards~~ reports regarding ~~stores obtained~~ from Europe, and of the cheapest way of obtaining regular supplies of such articles of Indian Manufacture

Submitted Receipt Regr.

Under D.W