GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

Proceedings of the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, (Accounts and Finance—Stores), dated Simla, 15th April 1886, No. 207.

Read again—

Financial Resolution, No. 2980, dated the 25th August 1884, prescribing the rules for regulating the purchase at the public expense of books and newspapers or other periodical publications.

Read also—

Letter from the Government of the Punjab, No. 458, dated the 18th February 1886, requesting that the rule regarding the purchase of commentaries or annotations on Acts of the Legislature may be so modified as to empower the local Government to sanction the purchase of such books in special cases.

Resolution—

In modification of the ruling laid down in paragraph 8 of the resolution read above, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to restore to local Governments and Administrations the power which they formerly possessed of sanctioning the purchase at the public expense of commentaries or annotations on Acts of the Legislature, when they consider such purchase desirable in the interest of good administration.

2. The Government of India requests, however, that local Governments and Administrations will carefully consider in each case whether such works should be purchased at the cost of the State, or whether they are not such as an officer should provide at his own expense in order to maintain his efficiency.

Order—

Ordered, that the foregoing resolution be communicated—

To the Government of the Punjab, with reference to its letter, No. 458, dated 18th February 1886, and to the other local Governments and Administrations.
To the several departments of the Government of India.
To the Comptroller and Auditor General, the Comptroller of India Treasuries, and to all Accountants-General and Comptrollers.
To the Head Commissioner, Paper Currency.
To the Mint Masters, Calcutta and Bombay.
To the Director-General of the Post Office of India.
To the Commissioner of Northern India Salt Revenue.

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

Order—dated 11th May 1886, No. 955, Public.

Communicated to the departments of the Secretariat and to all heads of departments for information and guidance, in continuation of G.O., No. 2007, dated 10th September 1884.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

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

Exd. A. Raitt.

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Cond^r to officers
of the P. W. Deptt,
in contn of G.O.
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Books and Publications.

Communicating to the departments of the Secretariat and to all heads of departments, for information and guidance, resolution of the Government of India empowering local Governments to sanction the purchase of commentaries or annotations on Acts of the Legislature in special cases.

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16TH SEPTEMBER 1885, No. 2163 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following paper :—

G.O., dated 29th August 1885, Mis. No. 2033, Public.

Read—the following letter from Dr. J. BURGESS, Archæological Surveyor, Edinburgh, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 15th July 1885, No. 62.

I have the honor to forward, under separate cover, an addition to the list of ancient remains from Ganjam and the list for Nellore received by yesterday's mail.

2. These now complete the lists which Mr. Sewell was instructed to prepare, and perhaps the best way of utilising them would be to print them in a condensed form and supplying the different local Engineers and Revenue officers each with a copy.

3. The buildings do not require to be all taken up for conservation, but moderate sums judiciously expended annually to preserve those in most want of repair ought to be sufficient for those under direct Government control. For the others the proper custodians should be reminded of their duties when occasion requires.

Order—dated 29th August 1885, Mis. No. 2033, Public.

These lists will be forwarded to the Superintendent, Government Press, in continuation of those sent to him with G.O., dated 11th July 1885, Mis. No. 1608. The Superintendent will arrange for proofs of all the lists being furnished to Dr. Burgess as desired.

2. Paragraph 3 of the foregoing letter will be referred to the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

ORDER—dated 16th September 1885, No. 2163 W., Public Works.

Communicated, for information, to Superintending Engineers, to whom copies of the printed lists of ancient remains will be furnished on receipt from the Public Department.

2. Adverting to paragraph 3 of Dr. Burgess' letter, it is observed that work of the nature referred to can be carried out, when necessary, by local Public Works officers from the Provincial repair grants to the various divisions.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Public Department.

Exd. J. Henricus.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated September, 16th.

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SEPTEMBER.

Architectural Remains

Orders on proceedings in the Public Department on letter from the Archæological Surveyor regarding conservation of —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following letter from J. BURGESS, Esq., LL.D., C.I.E., Director-General, Government Archæological Survey, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 24th March 1886, No. 147 :—

In Government of India Resolution, No. $\frac{5}{95\text{-}113}$ of 15th March 1886, paragraph 3, it is sanctioned that "a small provision not exceeding Rs. 50 monthly may be made in each (Archæological) Surveyor's budget for clearing out jungle growth or performing such urgent petty works of conservation as may most conveniently be carried out by his party when surveying a monument." I have often wished that I could employ a small sum in this way in rooting out vegetation from old buildings, and only a day or two ago Mr. Rea reported to me that a fine temple now deserted is now being rapidly ruined at Nilagunda in the Harpanahalli taluk.

2. I have the honor to solicit that a sum of, say, Rs. 300, from the budget for conservation work, may be placed at the disposal of Archæological Survey, so that cases of the above kind may be dealt with by the Survey when met with and the cost defrayed out of this small allotment.

Endorsement on the above.

No. 585 C., Public.

Transferred to the Public Works Department who will place the necessary funds at the disposal of Dr. Burgess.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
1st April 1886.

(Signed) E. S. LAFFAN,
Ag. Under Secretary.

ORDER—dated 5th April 1886, No. 930 W., Public Works.

A sum of Rs. 300 will be placed at the disposal of Dr. Burgess from the grant of Rs. 7,500 which will be provided * for conservation in the final issue of the Provincial budget for 1886-87.

* G.O., No. 852 W., dated 29th March 1886.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Public Department.
To Superintending Engineers.
To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. A. Aubert.
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"for consideration
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of any orders which
may be deemed
necessary".
The Public Dept
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Please say whether
you think it is
necessary to add
any further orders
to the draft now
submitted —

W.B.
26.5.86

I think neither is necessary

GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1886} Madras,

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated April, 5th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 5th April 1886, No. 930 W.

APRIL.

Conservation of Ancient Monuments

Promising to place a sum of Rs. 300 at the disposal of Dr. Burgess from the grant to be provided for — in final issue of the Provincial budget for 1886-87 for clearing out jungle growth and other such urgent petty works.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From A. P. MACDONNELL, Esq., C.S., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Archæology), to the Director-General of the Archæological Survey of India, dated Simla, 12th April 1886, No. 130.

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Contractors.

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Excavations.

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To the Government of Madras.

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Communicated to the Revenue and Public Works Departments and to all heads of departments for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
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Exd. P. L. Pereira.

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Archæological Survey Department.

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Communicated to Supdg Engineers for information and guidance in continuation of G. O. No 1074 W dated 29th April 1886.

Sd/ J. S. S.

Supdg Engrs
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