

12TH MARCH 1887, No. 229 M., LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

Proceedings of the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce
(Accounts, &c.—Rules, &c.), dated Calcutta, 25th February 1887, No. 943.

Read—

Letter from the Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, No. 4488-260, dated 2nd October 1886, forwarding copy of correspondence regarding the grant of Rs. 5,000 from Provincial revenues to the Nagpur Municipality for the repair of roads in the civil station.

Resolution—

After perusal of the correspondence forwarded with the letter cited in the preamble, the Governor-General in Council is satisfied with the reasons that led the Chief Commissioner in this particular case to sanction a grant from Provincial revenues for expenditure of a kind that is ordinarily municipal. His Excellency in Council would, however, observe that Provincial funds are primarily and ordinarily intended for strictly Provincial purposes. Exceptions must occasionally arise, but they should be cautiously admitted, and, in the event of retrenchment being necessary, the Government of India would not ordinarily be able to include grants to municipalities among the expenditure for which assignment had to be made, or to recognize pledges to municipalities as valid objections to the reduction of the assignment. Beyond this expression of its views in this regard, the Government of India does not desire to fetter the discretion of local Governments in making such grants.

Order—

Ordered that this resolution be communicated to all local Governments and Administrations, to the Comptroller and Auditor General, to all Accountants-General and Comptrollers, and to the Public Works Department for information.

(Signed) J. WESTLAND,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—dated 12th March 1887, No. 229 M., Local and Municipal.

Communicated to the President, Municipal Commission, Madras, and to all Chairmen of Municipal Councils.

(True Extract.)

H. E. STOKES,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the President, Municipal Commission, Madras.
„ all Chairmen of Municipal Councils,
through the Collectors concerned.

Copy to the Financial Department.
„ „ Public Works Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of (1887) Madras.
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL.

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G.O., 12th March 1887, No. 229 M.

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Recorded
(sd) J. C. H.

Provincial Grants.

Communicating to the President, Municipal Commission, Madras, and to all Chairmen, Municipal Councils, resolution of the Government of India regarding powers of local Governments to sanction grants from Provincial funds for Municipal works.

Exr. P. W. Dept.

No. 72 A.—G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT.
 General.

Fort William, March 19, 1887.

The following is forwarded to the Local Governments, Administrations, and Officers noted in the margin, for information and guidance.

The Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and the Punjab.
 The Chief Commissioners, Central Provinces, Burma, Assam and Coorg.
 The Resident at Hyderabad.

A. J. FILGATE, Colonel, R.E.,
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To The Secy to the Govt of Madras
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