

Public Works (1899) Department.

G.O., No. 1572 *h*

DATED 16 June 1899.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Supply of Screw-top Ink Bottles

Pro: Finl Dept., approving the proposal of the Supt of Stationery to restrict the — *to gazetted* officers in receipt of Rs 200 and upwards for *minimum* who have to travel frequently, and requesting him to ascertain and report what the requirements would be, if the issue of these ink bottles were extended to all touring officers, gazetted and non-gazetted, and to camp clerks in all depts. *communicated to the officers of the Dept.*

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

Endorsement No. 7 M., Financial, dated 17th April 1899.

Read—the following paper:—

From the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Ref. No. 100 (Forest), dated 24th March 1899.

Read—letter from J. W. CHERRY, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, Ref. on Cur. No. 1979 (a), dated 9th March 1899, requesting the Board to obtain the sanction of Government for the purchase of four ink bottles with screw tops.

Reference—No. 100 (Forest), dated 24th March 1899.

The Board requests the sanction of Government for the supply of ink bottles with screw tops to touring officers. Under the Stationery rules, the supply of such bottles is at present restricted to military officers requiring "Field equipments"; but the extension of their supply to touring officers appears equally desirable. The Conservator, Central Circle, at whose instance the present reference is made, asks for four such bottles—two for himself and two for the use of his camp clerk—and the Board requests that the Superintendent of Stationery may be authorized to make the supply and to issue bottles of the same description to other touring officers who may apply for them.

(Signed) LIONEL DAVIDSON,
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Endt. Mis. No. 1324.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
6th April 1899.

(Signed) N. E. MARJORIBANKS,
Ag. Under Secy. to Government.

Endorsement—No. 7 M., Financial, dated 17th April 1899.

Referred to the Superintendent of Stationery for remarks.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

From H. BRADLEY, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Superintendent of Stationery, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 28th April 1899, Dis. No. 1025.

In returning the paper received with memorandum No. 7 M., dated 17th instant, I have the honour to state that there are undoubted advantages to be obtained from the use of screw-top ink bottles by touring officers. I submit one (sent separately) for inspection. The cost is Rs. 5-14-8 a dozen against Rs. 1-7-6, the price of the ordinary ink glass. I have no data from which to calculate the number of camp clerks attached to touring officers throughout the Presidency, but the expenditure that would be involved by extending the supply to them as well as to officers would be very considerable. I would therefore propose to restrict the supply at first to gazetted officers in receipt of Rs. 200 and upwards who have to travel frequently. The number of such officers may be roughly estimated at about 600. At two each—one for black and one for red ink—100 dozen of these bottles would be required at a total cost of Rupees 591-10-8. The supply is, however, a decennial one, and the value of 100 dozen of ordinary glasses being Rs. 146-14-0, the additional expenditure would be Rupees 444-12-8 or Rs. 44-7-8 per annum. I think that this outlay is fully justified in the circumstances.

ORDER—No. 571, Financial, dated 4th May 1899.

The proposal of the Superintendent of Stationery is approved.

2. The Superintendent of Stationery will be requested to ascertain and report what the requirements would be, if the issue of screw-top ink bottles were extended to all touring officers—gazetted and non-gazetted—and to camp clerks in all departments.

(True Extract.)

A. Edgington
for Chief Secretary.

To all Departments of the Secretariat. (P. 10. b)
,, the Board of Revenue (all departments).
,, the Accountant-General.
,, the Superintendent of Stationery.
,, the Postmaster-General.

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From Mr Budget Clerk
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Mr Supt. G.R.

To Supt. R.S.

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