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G.O., No. 604, 14th July 1898.

JULY.

Contract Contingencies.

Stating, with remarks, that in future every charge for articles of furniture, clocks and other permanent articles falling under — should be supported by a certificate signed by the head of the department showing the date of last supply and explaining the necessity for the renewed supply, or in the case of a new supply being required, the reason for the same; and requesting the Accountant-General to report to Government any cases in which he considers heads of departments have not exercised sufficient supervision in the matter.

List

Order, 8th Aug 1898 No 574

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper:—

G.O., No. 991, Financial, dated 30th November 1897.

Order—No. 991, Financial, dated 30th November 1897.

3. The suggestion in paragraph 14 of the same letter that definite, or at least maximum, rates should be prescribed for certain classes of *regular contingencies* commends itself to Government. It is also desirable that rules should be laid down as to the minimum period within which articles of furniture, clocks, fixtures, and other items falling under *contract contingencies* may be renewed in public offices and that the date of last purchase or of renewal should be stated opposite each item in the contingent bill.

4. The Accountant-General will be requested to consult the heads of departments concerned on these points and submit for approval a consolidated circular giving effect to the suggestions made, and bringing into operation the revised scheme of recording and auditing contingencies as now approved. Any representations made by heads of departments with which the Accountant-General does not agree should be reported for the orders of the administrative department of the Secretariat concerned.

READ—also the following paper:—

From the Accountant-General, Madras, dated 7th May 1898, No. 1752.

ORDER—No. 604, Financial, dated 14th July 1898.

In paragraphs 3 and 4 of G.O., No. 991, Financial, dated 30th November 1897, the Accountant-General was requested to consult heads of departments as to the rules which should be laid down with reference to the minimum period within which the renewal in public offices of articles of furniture, clocks, fixtures and other permanent articles falling under *contract contingencies* should be permitted. With his letter read above, the Accountant-General submits the replies received to the circular issued by him on the subject and as these replies exhibit considerable difference of opinion he solicits the orders of Government in the matter.

2. The Government considers that it will suffice if in future every charge for the articles mentioned above is supported by a certificate signed by the head of the department showing the date of last supply, and explaining shortly the necessity for the renewed supply, or in the case of a new supply being required, *e.g.*, on increase of establishments, the reason for the same. It will be for the Accountant-General to report to Government any cases in which he considers heads of departments have not exercised sufficient supervision in the matter.

(True Extract.)

For Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.

„ the Departments of the Secretariat. *(Pension)*

„ all Heads of Departments under the Chief Secretary.