

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1811	Press Mis
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
29th June 1868.*

No. 641. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Educational Department :—

Sanctioning the issue of a grant of Rupees 95 on
account of the school-house at Komal in Tanjore
District, also approving of grants, already sanc-
tioned, and those which may hereafter be applied
for, being paid without agreements when they
do not exceed 250 Rupees. (Here enter 22nd June 1868, No. 238.)

No. 642. ORDER THEREON, 29th June 1868, No. 1,811.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. SEWELL,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Educational Department, No. 238.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Educational Department,
22nd June 1868.*

No. 56. Read the following letter from E. B. POWELL, Esq., Director of Public Instruction, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 9th June 1868, No. 1285.

I have the honor to bring the following circumstances to the notice of Government, and to solicit orders in connexion therewith.

2. So far back as the 15th of June 1866, an application being made to me, I promised to issue a building grant of Rupees 65 on account of a school-house for a private school at Komal in the Tanjore District.

3. The Manager of the school erected the building, relying, no doubt, on my promise of a grant; and, in making a report* on the 11th August 1867, stated that the cost was Rupees 190, and requested

* Sent.

ed that the grant promised might be increased to Rupees 95.

4. On reference, the Inspector of the Division reported† that the sum of Rupees 95 might fairly be given to the Manager.

† Letter, 25th October 1867, No. 932.

5. But, in the meanwhile, the Orders of the Government of India were received in the matter of executing legal agreements in connexion with building grants; and, as the forms of agreements have not yet been decided upon, the grant is still unpaid, a circumstance, no doubt, highly inconvenient to the Manager.

6. I beg to request that I may be authorized to issue the grant to the Komal School without waiting for the execution of an agreement. The sum is an insignificant one, and the possibility of its eventual loss (if I may say so) seems to me to be of less moment than the injury which is likely to be done to the cause of education if the money is withheld for a further and indefinite period.

7. In fact, with advertence to the great delay in settling the forms of deeds, and the conversations I have had with the Government Solicitor, leading to the belief that in some cases execution of agreements will be impracticable, I think it would be well to lay down a rule which will, to some extent, facilitate the issue of building grants.

8. I beg, accordingly to recommend that grants already sanctioned, and those which may hereafter be applied for, be paid without the execution of legal agreements, when they do not exceed Rupees 200, or, perhaps, Rupees 250. In making this recommendation, I have in view the very inferior style of building which could be erected for an outside sum of Rupees 500; and the unlikelihood of its being the desire of the Government of India to secure a preferential lien on property of such description.

9. In the event of its being considered inexpedient to pay the building grant to the Komal School without previous execution of a deed, I beg to submit for consideration that the Collector of Tanjore be directed, if unobjectionable, to effect an exchange with the proprietors of the site of the school-house, giving them a piece of Government land of equal value. It has been stated by the Law Officers of Government that, when a school-house is built on Government land, the land in question being given for the express purpose of erecting a school-house, no deed is neces-

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sary to secure the interests of Government, the land, with the building on it, reverting to Government when the school is given up. From the enclosed letter* of the

* Sent with enclosure.

Manager of the Komal School, dated the 20th April last, it will be seen that the site is the common property of the vil-

lagers, and that it has been leased for an indefinite period at a small annual charge.

10. It further appears to me that, if the exchange of the site of the Komal School-house is not objected to by Government, the same system might be introduced in many other cases, thereby avoiding the difficulties in the way of executing deeds and conferring a certain amount of advantage on Government.

From the Manager of the Anglo-Vernacular School at Komal, to the Director of Public Instruction; dated Mayaveram, 11th August 1867.

I have the honor to inform you that the school-house which I proposed to build at Komal, in my letter of the 9th June 1866, has been completed. The estimate then submitted showed the total cost to be 130 Rupees, but from the increased hire of coolies, and from the fact that certain items were then greatly under-estimated, the actual cost of the building has risen to Rupees 190. I am sure that any estimate-maker will approve of the revised estimate now submitted; and, in case it is so approved, I request that you would be pleased to sanction a grant of Rupees 95 instead of the Rupees 65 sanctioned in your letter, No. 1210, of June 15th, 1866.

From the Inspector of Schools, 4th Division, to the Director of Public Instruction; dated Trichinopoly, 25th October 1867, No. 993.

I have the honor, with reference to the communication from the Manager of the Aided School at Komal, herewith returned, to state that the Deputy Inspector examined the school building at that station, and that he considers Rupees (190) one hundred and ninety is a very fair allowance for the work performed.

2. I venture, accordingly, to recommend that a grant of half this amount, or Rupees 95, as requested, may be sanctioned on account of the building in question.

From the Manager of the Grant-in-aid School at Komal, Tanjore District, to the Director of Public Instruction; dated Mayaveram, 20th April 1868.

I have the honor to forward, herewith, the document by which I possess a title to the land on which the Komal Anglo-Tamil School is built. The land is a portion of the property held in common by the inhabitants of the village of Komal, and the enclosed document is a lease by which I am empowered to occupy the land so long as the school-house continues on it, on payment of a small yearly rent. I thought that the concern of Government with the land extended only so long as the building was on it, and, therefore, did not consider it necessary to obtain a stronger title to it than the one which I possess at present.

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, 22nd June 1868, No. 238.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased, under the circumstances stated in the letter from the Director of Public Instruction above recorded, to sanction the issue of a grant of Rupees 95 on account of the school-house at Komal in the Tanjore District.

2. The Government further approves of grants already sanctioned, and those which may hereafter be applied for, being paid without the execution of legal agreements when they do not exceed 250 Rupees.

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3. As suggested by Mr. Powell, it will be advisable, in future, that, whenever possible, school-houses should be built on land, the property of Government, which will, as stated by the Law Officers, render the execution of deeds to secure the reversion of the building to Government unnecessary.

(True Extract).

P. S. S. S.
Chief Secretary.

To the Director of Public Instruction, with enclosures, returned.
" Revenue Department.

Ed. J. H. Barna

Revenue 1868. Oct 4th
No. of Quarters 2233.

Proceedings of the
Joint Federal
National Convention

Dated 22nd 9th June
Revenue 2233 1868
H. 2233

With a letter

No 1811 29 June
Containing the account
of a grant of \$1,905 on
account of the school
house at Skomal
in Virginia District
also of the account of grant
made by said school
to a school for, having
been without agreement
where they do not agree
250 No 1

H. 71811

Revenue added to the
Revenue Road

29th June 1868

50 pms State of Virginia Dec 2. 20th Dec 238 20th Dec 239

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