

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	438	Press ~~MS~~
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
2nd April 1870.*

No. 25. Read the following letter from the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Revenue—Forests,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, 28th December 1869, No. 599-F:—

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter, No. 2,183, dated 27th July last, submitting a Tabular Statement of fresh charges sanctioned by the Government of Madras on account of Forest Establishments in Salem and South Arcot, and for fuel plantations in Cuddapah and Bellary, at an aggregate increase of Rupees 293 per mensem.

2. In reply, I am to inform you that the Government of India is not in a position to deal with these proposals on the data now before it, and to request that a revised proposal may be submitted in accordance with the recent orders of Government in the Financial Department, contained in its Resolutions, Nos. 2,450 and 2,451, of the 18th November last, copy of which is enclosed, together with copies of the documents quoted therein.

No. 26. ORDER THEREON, 2nd April 1870, No. 438.

Forests, No. 6.

THE Government of India apparently take exception to the additional cost of Rupees 293 reported in the statement for May 1869 being met from the general savings in the Forest Budget contrary to their Orders, dated 15th September 1864, No. 2,331, and 20th September 1865, No. 2,426, which restrained Local Governments from transferring Budget provision under "Conservancy and Working" to "Establishments." The Accountant-General will be requested to report if the additional cost alluded to can be met from savings under "Establishments" in the past year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant-General.
,, the Conservator of Forests.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

From the Secy. to the Govt.
17/8/1869

Charges in Forest Establishment—Orders of Government of India on those sanctioned in May 1869, communicated to Accountant-General for report as to whether the additional cost attached to can be met from savings under establishment in the past year.

APRIL.
Nos. 25-26.

G. O. No. 1071570, 20. 4. 69.

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,

REVENUE,

GOVT. OF INDIA.

No. 2450.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.
EXPENDITURE.
Administration and Public Departments.

FORT WILLIAM, the 18th November 1869.

Read—

A memo. from Public Works Department, No. 446F, dated 20th September last, transmitting a statement of fresh charges and alterations, amounting to an increase of Rs. 293 monthly, sanctioned by the Government of Madras during the month of May last.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council desires to call attention to the fact that under the orders of Government in this Department, No. 3155 of 14th September last, the monthly statement of sanctions of fresh charges by the local Governments should be confined to revisions of establishments within the existing charge for such establishments in the same Department, and to only such revisions of this kind as do not affect general rates of pay or the salaries of gazetted appointments.

ORDERED, that the foregoing Resolution be communicated for information to the Home, Public Works, Foreign, Military, and Marine Departments; to all local Governments and Administrations, to the Comptroller General of Accounts, and the several Provincial Accountants General.

R. H. HOLLINGBERY,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA. FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT. EXPENDITURE. Administration and Public Departments.	To <i>10/10/63</i>	No. 2150.	Dated, Fort William, the November 1869. Received
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No. 2451.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

EXPENDITURE.
Public Works including Railways.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

FORT WILLIAM, the 18th November 1869.

Referring to memorandum from Public Works Department, No. 446F, dated 20th September, forwarding a statement of increases sanctioned by the Madras Government for the Forest Establishments in Salem and South Arcot, and for the Fuel Reserves in Cuddapah and Bellary, the undersigned is directed to enquire whether, with reference to the practice in the Forests in other Presidencies, Overseers need be allowed Gomastahs; or more than two Clerks (an English and a Vernacular) need be allowed for the Deputy Conservator.

With regard to the general enquiry respecting the intent and meaning of paragraphs 3 and 4 of Financial Resolution No. 1739 of 12th August 1864, the undersigned is directed to inform the Public Works Department that the rule, as it existed till this year, on both the points referred by that Department will be found in the Resolutions in this Department, Nos. 2331 and 2426, dated 15th September 1864 and 20th September 1865, respectively, and in memorandum No. 3133, dated 25th October 1865. The Financial Resolution No. 3155 of 14th September 1869 has since curtailed the powers of local Governments, and in a further Resolution of this date orders subsidiary to that of 14th September 1869 have been passed.

R. H. HOLLINGBERRY,

Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

a. Circulated to all
Local Govts.

b. See P.W.D. No. 137 of
21st Sept. 1864.

c. See P.W.D. No. 491 of
2nd Oct. 1865.

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Government of India
Financial Department

Simla, the 14th September 1869.

Recd.-

A memorandum from the Home Department, N. 424, dated 12th August 1869, giving cover to a statement of fresh charges sanctioned by the Government of Madras during the month of May last, in which a charge for three bachelor studentships in the Madras University of the value of Rs 70 each per mensem has been sanctioned.

Observations.— His Excellency in Council observes that the charge which has been permanently sanctioned by the Government of Madras is a considerable one, and should have received the previous sanction of the Supreme Government.

2. Even the provisional sanction of permanent charges by Local Governments appears to the Governor-General in Council inconsistent with the financial control which it is necessary to reserve to the Supreme Government. His Excellency in Council therefore decides that Local Governments may be informed that no sanction to charges of a permanent nature must in future be given without the previous consent of the Supreme Government.

3. The proposal of the Home Department, that sanction

should

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Should not be accorded to the arrangement further than to
express the willingness of the Government of India to
assign a studentship on the plan proposed for every one,
such studentship not exceeding six in number, for
which funds may be supplied by private liberality, is
approved.

Order.— Ordered, that the foregoing resolution
be communicated to the Home, Marine, Public Works,
and Foreign Departments; to all Local Governments and
Administrations; to the Comptroller General of
Accounts, and to Accountants and Deputy Accountants
General.

1 Signed/ R. W. Chapman,
Secretary to the Government of India.

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N^o 3133 dated Simla 25th October 1865.

Office Memo—By the Government of India.
Financial Dept^t.

N^o 359.

With reference to the Memorandum
of the Public Works Department, N^o 492, dated 2nd October
1865, the undersigned has the honor to observe that in
the Public Works Department's letter to the
Government of Madras, N^o 431st of 19th August 1865,
the Financial Department's Resolution, N^o 1739 of
12th August 1864, was cited as authority for the
prohibition of transfers by a Local Government
of Budget provisions from one to another of the two
divisions of the First Estimate of Charge.

2. The Financial Resolution of 12th August
1864 dealt only with the major heads of the
Civil Estimates, leaving the sections or minor
heads of each of those major heads under the
control of the Local Government. The head
"Forests" is a major head in the Civil Estimates,

and the two subdivisions of the Forest Estimate of charge are now referred to the Financial Resolution of 12th August 1864, more sections or minor heads, such as those over which, when appertaining to other major heads of the Civil Estimate, the Local Government has the power of appropriation, within the limits of the major head.

3. All that the Financial Department's Resolution of 26th August 1863 conveyed, was that the prohibition against the transfer by the Local Government of Budget provision from one to the other of the two principal divisions or minor heads of the major head of Forests, occurs not in the Resolution of 12th August 1864, which was directed solely against transfers from one major head to another, but in a later order which established a supplemental rule, prohibiting similar transfers from one to the other of the two minor heads of Forests, notwithstanding that such transfers, within ^{the} major head, are allowed for other services than Forests, in the Civil Estimates.

4.

It was quite immaterial to this purpose of the Financial Resolution of 26th August 1863, whether the Public Works-Department's Proceedings of 31st August 1863 approved in the Financial Resolution of 13th September 1864, 53,233, or the Public Works Dept. Circular of the following week, viz., that dated 6th September 1864, was quoted as authority for the rule prohibiting transfers between the two sub-heads of the Forest Estimate; the Financial Department's confirmation of the earlier Proceedings of Public W. Dept. was quoted.

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Memorandum
one No. 59.

12th Augt 1864, No 1739

Under an order
of the Govt of India in
1864, the Local Govt
had the power to autho-
rize "an increase of charge
in a fixed establishment
for other than a baxet-
ted appointment" when
it "is met by equivalent
reduction of permanent
charge in the same esta-
blishment or in like
fixed establishments
in the same department."
"A petty or moderate in-
crease of fixed esta-
blishments without an
equivalent reduction of
other permanent estab-
lishments."

Reul 59/70

Reul 1096/70

Reul 1128 June 1870
Reul 10438

Reul 10438/70

"if there be sufficient budget provision for the expense (under the same head of charge), from savings other than the salaries of gazetted appointments" could also be sanctioned - the revision in both cases being subject to the confirmation of the Govt. of India.

By a recent resolution with reference to the Bachelor studentships in the Madras University, the Govt. of India have implicitly withdrawn (apparently without reference to the order of 1864) the powers assigned to the Local Govts. - The following is the order - "No sanction to charges of a permanent nature must in future be given without the previous consent of the Supreme Govt."

14th Sept^r 1869, No. 8158

Dated 18 Nov^r 1869. No 2450

Government." This however, is somewhat modified by a later order which states that the "monthly statement of sanctions of fresh charges by the local governments should be confined to revisions of establishments without existing charge for such establishments in the same Department, and to only such revisions of this kind as do not affect general rates of pay, or the salaries of gazetted appointments."

Under the old order of 1864, this Govt. have in their orders of dates noted in the margin, i.e. long before the order of 14 Sept^r was received, sanctioned revisions of the Forest

3rd 4th May 1869
No 1207 & 1219

Fresh establishments in
Salem, South Arcot and
Cuddapah Districts at an
aggregate increase of Ru-
pees 293 per mensem "to
be met from the savings
under 'Grant & Forests,'
and reported the Proceedings
to the Govt of India in the
monthly statement for their
confirmation. They take
exception to the Proceedings
of this Govt not only with
reference to the recent order
of 18 November, but, also
under an old order which
restrained local Governments
from transferring Budget
provision from "Conservancy
and

Letter to Govt of India
dated 27 July 1869. No. 2183.

20 Sept: 1865. No. 2426

and Working" to "Establishments"
the two sub-heads under "Grant
& Forests." The Accountant
General's office has apparently
overlooked this latter order,
as in the monthly statements
prepared by them they made
no distinction between the
two sub-heads alluded to -
These heads were treated as
"minor heads" the transfers
from one to another of which
do not require the previous
sanction of the Govt of
India.

The only course now
open seems to be to request
the Accountant General
to report if the additional
cost

cost of Rs. 293 can be met
from savings under "establish-
-ments" in the Forest Budget
for the current year, and a
draft to that effect is sub-
-mitted.

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Rev. Department

11/3 1869

Proceedings of the Madras Government
under date the 2^d February 1870.

Read the following
letter from the Offg. Secre-
-tary to the Government
of India.

Acknowledging receipt
of letter submitting statement
of charges sanctioned on account
of Forest Establishments during
the month of May 1869, with the
remarks.

Off. Secy. 28th Decr/69 Rs. 5997

The Government
of India apparently take
exception to the additional
cost of Rs. 293 reported
in the statement for
May 1869 being met
from

from the general savings
in the Forest Budget
contrary to their orders dated
15th September 1864, No. 2331 and
20th September 1865, No. 2426.,
which restrained the Local
Governments from transferring
Budget provision under
"Contingency and Working"
to "Establishments". The
Accountant General will
be requested to report if
the additional cost alluded
to can be met from the savings
under "Establishments" in the
current year.

Acct. Genl.
Comr. of Forests
D^o of Revenue.

Edw. P. Wall