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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
30th June 1870.*

No. 36. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Simla, 25th May 1870, No. 349 :—

Read again the following :—

Miscellaneous Proceedings, August 1862, Nos. 50 to 52.

Account Proceedings, June 1867, Nos. 99 to 105.

Ditto March 1868, Nos. 49 to 54.

Ditto September 1869, No. 86.

Expenditure Proceedings, November 1869, No. 41.

Read—

Letter from Accountant-General, Punjab, No. 118, dated 19th November 1869.

OBSERVATIONS.—The Accountant-General points out that the order of November above read, conflicts with previous orders by the Government of India, which prescribed that the Officers of Audit and Account were not to obey orders involving expenditure, unless they were issued by the Financial Department of the Government of India.

RESOLUTION.—It has been repeatedly determined that, except in cases of great emergency, no order sanctioning expenditure of money, or the entertainment of new establishments, shall be issued by any Department of the Government of India without the consent of the Financial Department previously recorded. The Governor-General in Council is pleased again to declare that this practice must be exactly observed.

2. The Supreme Government will, under ordinary circumstances, issue such orders only in the Financial Department, or after separate consideration in the Financial Department; and no orders must be issued, even preliminarily or conditionally, from any other Department which are calculated to commit the Government of India to the approval or sanction of any expenditure. A decision must be pronounced in the Financial Department upon the financial aspect of all such questions before even preliminary orders are issued from any other Department. If, which can rarely happen, it be necessary, under emergent circumstances, for an order, such as is above described, to issue without examination and approval in the Financial Department, it should be immediately communicated to that Department.

3. But this practice must be enforced by the Supreme Government itself. It is not intended that the subordinate Officers of the Financial Department should hesitate to obey or give effect to any order of the Government of India in any Department. If any order, such as is herein described, not issued from the Financial Department, be presented to any subordinate Officer of Audit or Account, he must obey it implicitly; but he should at once report it to the Financial Department, in case, by some oversight, it may not have been communicated to that Department.

* Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be communicated to the Home, Foreign, Military, and Public Works Departments; to the Comptroller-General of Accounts, and to the several Accountants-General and Deputy Accountants-General in independent charge.

(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,

Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

(Signed) G. H. M. BATTEN,

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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Copy forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George for information.

By order, &c.,

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT, FINANCE,
SIMLA, 3rd June 1870.

(Signed) C. GIRDLESTONE,
Offg. Junior Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
30th June 1870.*

No. 37.

ORDER THEREON, 30th June 1870, No. 288.

To be recorded.

(True Extract.)

H. E. STOKES,
Under Secy. to Gov.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
17th January 1872.*

Read again Proceedings of Government in the Financial Department, dated
30th June 1870, No. 288.

No. 60. ORDER THEREON, 17th January 1872, No. 48.

The Government resolve to communicate to the several Departments of the Secretariat copy of the Resolution of the Supreme Government recorded in the G. O. in this Department, 30th June 1870, No. 288, with an intimation that the course therein laid down by the Government of India is to be adopted as regards the expenditure of money from Provincial or Local Funds, so far as sanction of Government is concerned.

(True Extract.)

R. S. S.
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department, } with Proceedings, No. 288.
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 „ Public Works „
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G. O., 30th June 1870, No. 288.

JUNE.
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Resolving Resolution of the Government of India, ruling that no order sanctioning expenditure of money, or the establishment of new establishments, shall be issued by any Department of the Government of India without the consent of the Financial Department being previously obtained, except in cases of great emergency.

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Communicating copy of the Resolution of the
Revenue Government, recorded G. O., dated
30th June 1870, No. 288, which resolution that
the course therein laid down by the Government of
India is to be adopted as regards the expenditure
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as interest of Government is concerned.

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