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No. 1081-34-6.

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SUBJECT.

Measures for increasing the production and supply of quinine.

G. C. Press, Simla, — No. 103, R. & A. D. — 30-4-98. — 120.

Submitted to C.S.

14/5/98

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Dept of Rev & Agri
No 1081-34-6 d 29.4.98
(Am No 3442 of 98)

See

This is the Govt of India
reply to our letter No 141
d 10 mar 98 in which
the proposals of Mr
Stanley for the future
production & supply
of quinine were
communicated to the
Govt of India.

The points in the
Govt of India's letter
which require further
action will be briefly
set out.

(1) The Govt of India
advise that Mr Stanley
has not taken into
account the cost of
taking up fresh land.
and requests further
information on this
point before it can
definitely approve of
the scheme (opening
1200 fresh acres at 8

per annum).

With reference to this matter please see para the last clause of para 23 of Mr Standen's letter in G.O. Rev 140 & 10.3.98. For the next few years land is available within the limits of the existing plantations, and it would further appear that there is sufficient land adjoining to make up the 1200 acres.

It is presumed that Mr Standen refers to Govt land.

But, to settle the question now that the general line of on which the proposals proceed have been

accepted by India, Mr

Standen may now be

in a report approximately

cost of land

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he would propose to take up for the next 15 years whether any portion of such land will be Govt private land & if so what he estimates would be the cost of its acquisition. Of course land in the possession of other depts should not be taken to cost anything.

(3) The Govt of India sanctions the opening of 80 acres in 1898-99 on the understanding that the cost is covered by existing Budget provision.

The opening of this land is estimated by Mr Standen to cost 1000 Rs in 1897-98 (and the sum has already been placed at his disposal) and 7000 Rs in 1898 (vide para 23 of letter in G.O. 140 & 10.3.98) in G.O. 140 & 10.3.98 para 5 i

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that the 7000 Rs required in 1898-99 would be provided in due course.

There is not likely to be the slightest difficulty about this. For the total provision for the purchase of bank now made in the Budget is ^{113,200} Rs. (para 677 ^{letter} No. 144 d 10.3.98) **A**

This was the estimated approx. cost of 400,000 lbs. of 3½ p per bank at 1¼ d per unit exchange at 1.3½ per Re. The unit is now however 1d. There is thus sure to be a saving of Rs 7000.

(3) Para 4 of the Govt of India's letter deals with the question as to the rate Govt should charge for its issue. The Govt of India at the point raised independently much the same at vide para

Telegram from India d 11.3.98 No 154 in S.O. 1377 d 11.3.98 F

$$\begin{aligned} & 400000 \times \frac{7}{2} \times \frac{5}{4} = \frac{1750000}{15\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{31}{2} \\ & = \frac{3500000}{31} = 112903 \text{ Rs} \end{aligned}$$

Telegram from Mr Stander d 14/5/98

Yes: but on this point Fin Dpt will be consulted **J**
Yes 29 14/5/98

A. 4 of letter No 141 d 10.3.98.
(+) The Govt of India has sanctioned the purchase of 400,000 lbs of bank at once (Telegram No 963 d 19.4.98 in S.O. Rev No 1727 d 22.4.98) Provision for the amount has as noted above been made in the Budget. Mr Stander therefore should proceed at once to purchase the bank.

J (5) The Govt of India say that as to future purchases they await the enquiries of the Officer this Govt-deputes to Java & the consultation with Bankal. Bankal has not yet replied to our letter No 142 d 10.3.98. It has been decided that Mr Stander is to go to Java at the end of the year unless flagged to **G.**
16) The

Financial Dept

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Financial Dept. has
no remarks to make. From
the data furnished in the ^{Revenue} note
the saving will easily cover the
additional 1000 required,

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hood of the existing
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proposed extensions.

~~Now that~~ The Director
should now report as
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as may be possible
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To the Director E.C.P. A.O. Despatch 24.5.28
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