

1935.

Kenya.

No. 38049.

SUBJECT

CO533/456

Colonial Development Fund.

Coffee Industry.

Previous

25133/34.

or 25133/1/34.

Subsequent

~~1936.~~

C.I.  
C.D.F.  
Agric.

1. Gov. Kenya 34.....12th Jan. 35. 2

Submits, for conson., application to the C.D.F. for a free grant of £1,100 for the provision of certain equipment and apparatus for investigation of coffee diseases.

copy to Dept.  
8/1/35.

' A memorandum was prepared for the C.D.F.

C.A. Ross  
7.2.35

C.D.F. very properly dislike overlapping; and they will quite possibly ask (a) whether anything on these lines has been attempted at Amani (b) whether this work could not better be undertaken at Amani than in Kenya. No doubt there are good answers - perhaps the Stockdale will supply them.

The estimates are rather sketchy; it would have been better if Kenya had sent home specifications & left C.D. to ascertain the price.

J.H. Austin  
11/2.

A Research Conference was convened at Amani in February 1934 by the Secretary of the Governors' Conference to consider and co-ordinate the research programmes

programmes of East African Departments of Agriculture and the East African Agricultural Research Station in respect of

- (i) Coffee
- (ii) Pests and Diseases of Crops in East Africa.

The Director of the Amani Research Station was Chairman of the Conference, and the delegates consisted of the Directors of Agriculture of Kenya, Uganda, and Zanzibar. Six technical officers from the Kenya Dept. of Agriculture, four from the Tanganyika Dept. of Agriculture, two from the Uganda Dept. of Agriculture, and two from the East African Agricultural Research Station also attended.

The Conference had before them research programmes dealing with coffee prepared by the Amani Research Station and the Departments of Agriculture of Kenya and of Uganda. The programme of the Tanganyika Dept. of Agriculture was not available owing to the very recent arrival of the Senior Scientific Officer for the Coffee Station in that Territory. It was understood by the Conference, however, that the Tanganyika research programme would be co-ordinated fully with that of the Amani Station and with the research controlled by the Depts. of Agriculture of Kenya and Uganda.

After examining the programmes before the Conference, it was decided (para.9 of the report, that the following major projects should be allocated to the Kenya Dept. of Agriculture :-

- (1) Foliar

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- (i) Foliar diagnosis of Nutrient Deficiency.
  - (ii) Influence of Spraying on Liqueuring quality
  - (iii) Role of Copper in the Nutrition of Coffee.
  - (iv) Preparation of the Beans.

Appendix IV to the Report also gives the co-ordinated programme of investigations of subjects related to coffee cultivation and includes inter alia, the following for the Kenya Dept. of Agriculture

- (i) Coffee Berry Disease.
  - (a) Selection for disease resistance, with a view to seed selection and vegetative propagation.
  - (b) Trials of sprays and spreaders.
  - (c) Manuring trials.
  - (d) Cultural trials.
- (ii) Study of the various types of dieback prevalent in Kenya, and the conditions conducive to them.

X  
Y  
Z  
This present application is submitted so that work on the Coffee Berry disease, and the study of dieback under Kenya conditions may be commenced, and the major investigations relating to nutrient deficiency and the role which copper plays in the nutrition of coffee may be undertaken.

The apparatus specified is necessary for the investigations which are foreshadowed in this programme of work, and the greenhouse is essential to the satisfactory equipment for the work of the Mycologist whether on coffee berry disease or any other diseases affecting crop plants in the Colony.

The request for financial assistance is for research work which has been assigned to the Kenya Department

Department of Agriculture by the Conference which was held at Amani in February last, and should, therefore, be supported.

I enclose, for reference, my copy of the Report of this Conference, but should be glad to have it returned to me in due course.

Return  
V.P.  
12.2.

F.A. Studdole

11.2.35.

yes: this is to enable Kenya to do its share of the work decided upon at the Conference. The work cannot be done at Amani & is appropriate for Kenya.

Prepare memo accordingly quoting X Y & Z. in re Studdole's minute

V.P. 12.2.  
same

2. C. Q. A. C. 14/4 \_\_\_\_\_ 15/6/35

3. C. Q. A. C. \_\_\_\_\_ 30<sup>th</sup> March 35

Recomd. free grant of £1,100 for the provision of equipment & apparatus in connection with an investigation into the diseases affecting coffee & other remunerative crops.

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C.A. Ross with  
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10 APR. 35

Sanction grant of £1,100 from C. Q. A. for provision of equipment & apparatus required in connection with investigation into diseases affecting coffee & other remunerative crops

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To Kenya, 270 (w/c's 2 & 3) 16 APR 1935  
1 answer

Also draft memo  
State copy of report

C. O.

Mr. *Smith*

Mr. *Freston*

Mr.

Mr. Parkinson.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

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Secretary of State.

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C.D.  
17 APR  
1935

6 April, 1935

Sir,

I have etc to acknowledge  
*to Mr. Freston's*  
the receipt of *your* despatch

No 24 of the 12<sup>th</sup> of January  
*forwarding*  
*in* which you enclosed  
*an* application for a

free grant of £1100  
from the Colonial Development  
Fund for the provision  
of equipment and apparatus  
required in connection  
with an investigation into  
the diseases affecting  
coffee and other  
enumerative crops.

2 I enclose for your  
information, a copy of  
a memorandum which  
was submitted to the  
Colonial Development  
Advisory Committee and  
a copy of the Committee's  
letter of recommendation.

DRAFT.

Kenya  
No 270  
Sir O.P.

(No 2)

(No 3)

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In C.D.A.C. 1793/35

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