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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 86.

FROM

R. S. ELLIS, ESQ., C. B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Referring to your letter of the 10th ultimo, No. 181, pointing out that the opinion expressed by the Board of Revenue, Madras, regarding the execution of certain works by Civil Officers and charging the expense to the Civil Estimates, although they come within the category of public works, is incorrect, and that, as a rule, if the work comes within the said category it should be charged in the Public Works Accounts, though it be executed by Civil Officers, I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit a copy* of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, from which it will be seen that, in their Proceedings dated the 27th September 1867, they merely pointed out that works provided for in the Civil Estimates under "Petty Construction and Repair" could not be executed by the Public Works Department, for such works as come within the category of public works proper would not be included under the head of "Petty Construction and Repair."

* Dated 14th February 1868, No. 1076.

2. In regard to their Proceedings dated the 10th October 1867, the Board observe that they drew the distinction between each class of work, but, as a special case, admitted into the Budget for "Petty Construction and Repair" those works which should have been properly entered in the Public Works Budget.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
19*th February* 1868.

Chief Secretary.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th February 1868, No. 1076.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 27th January 1868, No. 45, Financial Department.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating letter from the Government of India, stating that when a work comes within the category of public works proper, it should be charged in Public Works Accounts, though it be executed by Civil Officers, and directing that the principle be followed in the preparation of estimates for 1868-69, and all future estimates.

The Board beg to observe that in the first Proceedings to which exception is taken by the Government of India, they merely pointed out that works provided for in the Civil Estimates under "Petty Construction and Repair" could not be executed by the Public Works Department, it being, of course, understood that no works which could be included in the category of public works proper would be included under that head. In their second Proceedings, they drew the distinction between each class of work, but, as a special case, admitted into the Budget for "Petty Construction and Repair" three works which should properly have found a place in the Public Works Budget.

2. The Board submit that neither of these Proceedings can be fairly said to have laid them open to the charge of ignorance of the well-known rule that all public works proper are to be provided for in the Public Works Budget, and that when they are executed through the Agency of Civil Officers a transfer of funds is to be made from that Budget.

(True Extract).

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Financial Department.

Dated 19th February 1868.
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No. 86.
Enclosure.

Transmitting Proceedings of the Board of Revenue showing that the Board are aware of the rule that all public works proper are to be provided for in the Public Works Budget, though executed by Civil Officers.

No. 1,076.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 14th February 1868.

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(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 14th February 1868

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