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Compensation for Lands.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 992.

FROM

THE HON. D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In fasli 1279, corresponding with 1869-70, certain land was taken up in the Vizianagrum Zemindary for the Imperial Northern Trunk Road, the settled compensation for which amounted to Rupees 48,764-4-0 due to the Zemindar, and Rupees 19,566-5-2 due to certain proprietors of inam lands in his estate; in all Rupees 68,330-9-2.

2. This charge, which was incurred prior to the introduction of the system of Provincial assignments, ought to have been at once settled as an Imperial debt due by Government in accordance with the principle affirmed in the Financial Resolution of the Government of India, dated 25th October 1871, No. 4570, (Accounts,) that "money indisputably due under rule, contract, operation of law, or other obligation should be paid even in the absence of budget provision." But because the Public Works Budget of the year did not include any provision for the charge, it was left unpaid, and so remained until in April 1874 this Government directed that the claim should be settled by credit on account of peshkush due by the Zemindar, and cash payment to the Inamdars, and the Accountant-General has been informed, in reply to his inquiry, that the charge is debitable to Imperial, as having been incurred prior to the introduction of the Provincial assignment system, and that it is to be so adjusted in communication with the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

3. I am directed to request the confirmation, by the Government of India, of these instructions, and also that the Accountant-General may be authorized to re-credit Provincial Funds with the sum of Rupees 23,682, which, on 22nd October 1872, was paid from Provincial Funds to satisfy an Imperial debt of precisely similar character to that above described, the amount due being compensation awarded in 1869 for land taken up for Imperial roads prior to the introduction of the Provincial assignments system, and which ought to have been paid at the time as an Imperial debt, but was left undischarged in the absence of any special budget provision, and was eventually liquidated out of Provincial Funds to satisfy the urgency of the claimants.

4. The Provincial assignment is so inadequate to meet the legitimate demands upon it that this Government are compelled to request this adjustment, although they are aware that it should have been sought when the payment was ordered in 1872.

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

FORT ST. GEORGE,
5th May 1875.

Officiating Chief Secretary.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

1875.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From

The Offg. Chief Secretary to Govt.,
Fort St. George,

To

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

Dated 5th May 1875.

Issued

Read.

No. 992.

Enclosure.

Forwarding for confirmation Proceedings sanctioning the adjustment against Imperial of the sum of Rupees 68,330-9-2 paid on account of compensation for lands taken up in 1869-70 for the Imperial Northern Trunk Road.

Compensation for lands

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