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Marine (1896) Department.

G.O., No. 662 *mar*

DATED 28. Sept. 1896.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Landing Charges: P. W. Pros. in the Railway
Branch referring ^{for forwarding} the question of the ~~Legislator~~ reduction
of — on locomotive engines at Madras, Compt.
to the Chairman, H. T. Board for remarks.

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Communicated
to the Chairman Harbour
Trust Board for remarks.

From
The Public Works Department
Railway Branch

No. 794

Dated 18th September 1896.

Received 26-5-56

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Sanctioning the excess over the original estimate for the erection of 6 new locomotive engines and stating that the Locomotive Superintendent's remarks in his letter No. 787/915 & 29-8-96, will be referred to the Marine Department for favour of report as to whether landing charges could not be reduced.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
act II of 1856.			
320	Coly	marine	8.0.96
126	Coly	"	25.2.96
211	Coly	"	22.3.96
81	Coly	"	4.2.96
	39	"	31.1.96
465	Coly	"	5.12.94
193	Coly	"	30.0.94
287	Coly	"	5.5.92
120	Coly	"	26.4.92

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Public Works Department.
Railway Branch.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following:-

Letter from the Agent and Manager Madras Railway.
No.E. 418/680 dated 4th August 1896.

I have the honour to request that you will be so good as to communicate to me the sanction of Government to the excess of Rs. 23,861-12-3, as shown below over the estimate for 6 New Locomotive Engines sanctioned in your letter No. 4013 dated 21st December 1894.

	Labour.			Stores.			Total.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Actual Expenditure	4,363	- 12	- 7	1,47,439	- 15	- 8	1,51,803	- 12	- 3
Estimate	4,080	- 0	- 0	1,22,962	- 0	- 0	1,22,962	- 0	- 0
Difference	616	- 3	- 5	24,477	- 15	- 8	23,861	- 12	- 3

- The reasons for this excess are explained in this office letter No. 649 of the 26th ultimo.
- The work of erection of these Engines has now been completed.

Letter from the Agent and Manager Madras Railway.
No.E. 418/769 dated 1st September 1896.

With reference to your letter No. 2519 of the 17th ultimo, I have the honour to forward herewith, for your information copy of a letter from the Company's Locomotive Superintendent furnishing the particulars required in connection with the excess of expenditure over the estimate for 6 new Locomotive Engines sanctioned in your letter No. 4013 of 21st

21st December 1894.

Enclosure.

Copy of letter from the Locomotive Superintendent,
Madras Railway, to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, No.
B.787/915 dated 29th August 1896.

Erection of 6 Engines at cost of Revenue.

In reply to your endorsement No.E.418 of the 18th instant,
on Consulting Engineer's No.2519 of the 17th idem, I give below
the particulars asked for with regard to the excess expenditure
of Rs.24,478/- in stores on account of these Engines.

Excess on account of English cost of Engines as included in estimate and as actually invoiced. ----	}	Rs.16,578
Excess in cost of erection. ---		
	"	7,900
		<u>Rs.24,478</u>

2. With regard to the excess in English cost, the estimate
was based on the actual cost of the 10 E.A.2 class engines built
by Messrs: Kitson & Co. in 1893, subject to what was considered
at the time to be sufficient allowance for the difference in the
design of the two classes of engines.

3. The amount charged for freight of the engines to --
Madras was about Rs.1,000/- per engine greater than that paid
for freight to Bombay on the previous lot of engines.

4. With regard to the excess in the cost of erection, this
is, to a great extent, due to the very high landing charges on --
the engines at Madras which amounted to a total on the 6 engines
of Rs.5,134 or Rs.856 per engine as against a total of Rs.2,150
or Rs.215 per engine paid for the engines landed in Bombay in
1893.

5. The extra cost of freight to and landing at Madras seems
to be so great that it is a question whether it would not pay
us better to arrange for future consignments of engines to be
landed

landed at Bombay instead of at Madras. For freight to Bombay
landing charges at Bombay and haulage charge over the G.I.P.
from Bombay to Madras I find that the 10 engines cost us in --
this respect Rs.2,405 per engine delivered at Raichur as --
against Rs.2,656 per engine paid for freight and landing --
charges for the engines delivered at Madras.

6. Whether more favourable terms can be secured on future --
consignments I do not know but it certainly seems to me that
there must be something wrong with regard to the port of ---
Madras which can bring about a condition of things such as --
the above.

7. As you will probably further remember, the German shipping
Firm which brought the 6 engines to Madras dropped one of the
them over-board, so that the service rendered appears to have
been not only more costly but also of an inferior description

Order thereon:-No. 794. R. dated 18th September 1896.

The excess of Rs.24,861-12-3 over the original esti-
mate for the erection of 6 new Locomotive engines is sanctioned.

2. The Locomotive Superintendent's remarks in his letter --
No.B.787/915 dated 29th August 1896, will be referred to the
Marine Department for favour of report as to whether landing,
charges could not be reduced.

(True Extract)

Consideration?
21/12/94

J.H. Hunter

for Joint Secretary.

To,
The Agent and Manager Madras Railway.
" Examiner, Railway Accounts, Madras.
" Marine Department.