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Public Works (1899) Department.

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## GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.  
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READ—the following papers :—

- From the Public Department, dated 9th May 1899, No. 1237.  
 „ Legislative Department, dated 22nd April 1899, No. 206.  
 „ Marine Department, dated 16th May 1899, No. 233 E.  
 „ Local and Municipal Department, dated 20th May 1899, No. 580.  
 „ Revenue Department, dated 15th June 1899, No. 2163.  
 „ Educational Department, dated 14th July 1899, No. 341.

*Note by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.*

On the reduction of the Public Works establishments and divisions in 1879, it was decided \* that the execution of ordinary repairs to civil buildings and the construction of petty and temporary buildings of all classes limited to Rs. 1,000 in each case, should be undertaken by the department concerned.

2. Subsequently under the orders issued in the Government Orders marginally noted, it was left open to all departments to call on the Public Works Department to estimate for and carry out repairs to all buildings constructed on type designs irrespective of the amount of such estimates.

3. Colonel Smart, when Acting Chief Engineer, considered that these orders should be cancelled inasmuch as in a very short time there will be a large number of buildings constructed on type designs, and the execution of ordinary repairs to these buildings would throw a lot of petty work unnecessarily on the Public Works Department. He accordingly proposed that the departments concerned should carry out repairs to these buildings up to a limit of Rs. 1,000, thus relieving Public Works officers of much petty work.

4. This proposal was referred by memo. No. 2085 C., dated 14th April 1899, to the departments of the Secretariat for remarks.

5. The replies have now been received and all departments of Government approve of the proposal. It is recommended that it may now be adopted with the qualifications suggested by the Public Department.

10th August 1899.

(Signed) W. B. DEWINTON,  
Chief Engineer.

ORDER—No. 2172 W., dated 15th August 1899.

His Excellency the Governor in Council approves of the recommendation made in paragraph 5 of the Chief Engineer's note read above. Ordinary repairs to all civil buildings up to a limit of Rs. 1,000 will, in future, be carried out by the department concerned, and not by the Public Works Department, provided that—

- (1) such repairs involve no structural alterations;
- (2) the repairs of roofs are confined to trifling items.

2. Heads of departments will, however, be entitled to seek the assistance of the Public Works Department, whenever they consider that the repairs need professional supervision, whatever the amount of the estimate may be.

(True Extract.)

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To Superintending Engineers.  
 „ the Consulting Architect to Government.  
 „ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.  
 „ the departments of the Secretariat.

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