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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Official Memorandum

With reference to the Official Memorandum of the Chief Secretary to Government dated the 24th November last, the Accountant General has the honor to state that the variations noticed in that Memo. between the statement of Expenditure on Public Works for 1855/56 furnished by this Office to Government, and the statement submitted by the Chief Engineer, amounts to the extent of R^o 398,823 in

Grand Total exhibited in the statement furnished by the Account. Genl. R ^o 768,584 6.	the "Total of Ordinary and Extraordinary Repairs", and to the extent of R ^o 530,363, in the item
d ^o d ^o by the Chief Engineer " 67,56,660.	
<u>Difference</u> 9,29,186.	

of "Salaries Establishments and Contingencies of the Department of Public Works". The difference of R^o 398,823. above mentioned arises, as supposed by the Chief Secretary, mainly from the Chief Engineer having entered in his Return the Actual Expenditure, while in the statement furnished from this Office the amount Advanced by Collectors has

has been exhibited, agreeably to the principle, on which the Annual Statement and other Financial Returns of the Receipts and Disbursements, are prepared under instructions from the Honorable Court.

2. The other difference of Rs 530,363 in the item of Salaries Establishments and Contingencies &c. is owing principally to the Military Auditor General not having included in the statement furnished by him to the Chief Engineer, on which statement his Return was partly grounded, the Regimental allowances, minus Pay proper, of Military Officers employed in the Public Works Department, and contingencies, and to the omission, altogether, of the charges incurred by the Paymaster at Vittore, and the Deputy Paymasters at Rangoon, Moulmein, and Poonamallee. It is moreover owing to the salary of the Consulting Engineer for Railways and Establishment not being included in the Return of the Civil Auditor furnished to the Chief Engineer. This latter charge

Charge is debitable to Public Works Ordinary, agreeably to the form which accompanied the Proceedings of the Government of India under date the 5th Sept 1855, received with the extract from the Minutes of Consultation dated the 6th October 1855, N^o 6112. In a letter from this Office dated 17th November last the N^o 1687, ^{the} Chief Engineer was informed that the above causes mainly contributed to the difference in the item of Salaries, Establishments &c. of the Public Works Department, a copy of which letter, it is presumed, is now before Government.

3. In future statements shewing the expenditure on Public Works, the salaries, Establishments and Contingencies of the Public Works Department will be distinctly and separately shown.

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Account^t General

Fort Saint George }
Account^t Gen^l Office }
12 January 1857.

To The Chief Secretary to
Government.

Com^d J. R. David

