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Public Works **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 40. Read the following letter from Colonel W. E. BAKER, Secretary to the Government of India; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, the 11th April 1857, No. 1677.

SIR,

The attention of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has been drawn to Nos. 3 and 4 of the proceedings of the Government of Fort Saint George for the week ending 20th January last, relating to certain Bills which have been passed by the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras in Council.

2. Under the rules of 1st August 1856, the Government of Madras is authorized to pass charges in excess of estimates when such charges do not exceed the estimates by more than ten per cent. Of the Bills in question, the excess in No. 1 is forty-four per cent. on No. 2 is fifteen per cent, and on No. 3 is fifty-two per cent. These sanctions being beyond the authorized limit, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to request that His Lordship the Governor of Madras in Council will be so good as to cause them to be cancelled and the Bills to be submitted in the usual manner for the orders of the Government of India.

See Letter No. 3605 dated 1st August 1856.

3. The Right Honorable the Governor General in Council observes, that the general explanation assigned in all these cases of excess beyond the sanctioned estimate is, that more work has been done than was designed. It would appear therefore that the projects have been altered on the authority of the Engineer in charge of the works; and His Lordship in Council requests that the Officers responsible for having thus spent public money without authority by doing more than was sanctioned, may first be called upon to shew why they should not be held personally liable for the excess of expenditure, and that these explanations may be sent up for consideration with the Bills.

No. 41. ORDER THEREON, No. 940; dated 15th May 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer, who will submit the explanation called for by the Government of India, relating to the bills Nos. 1, 2 and 7, of the Godavery Division, forwarded to this Government with Colonel Faber's letter dated 7th November 1856, No. 7895. The sanction accorded to these bills under date the 14th January 1857, should be considered as cancelled pending the receipt of orders from the Government of India.

2. The bill No. 13, sanctioned on the same date should also be regarded as cancelled, as the excess of Rupees 3,489-4-0 above the estimate is beyond the limit which this Government has authority to sanction. Explanation should be obtained and furnished in regard to this bill also.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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No. 1677.

From
Colonel W. C. Baker,
Secy to the Govt of India,
To
J. D. Bourdillon, Esqre
Secy to the Govt of
Fort St. George.
Dated the 11th April 1837

Sir,

See Letter No 3603 of 1st August 1836

I am directed to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council that the attention of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council has been drawn to Nos. 3 and 4 of the proceedings of the Government of Fort St. George for the week ending 20th January last, relating to certain Bills which have been passed by the Right Honble the Governor of Madras in Council.

2. Under the rules of 1st August 1836, the Government of Madras is authorized to pass charges in excess of Estimates when such charges do not exceed the Estimates by more than Ten per Cent. Of the Bills in question, the excess in No. 1 is Forty four per Cent. on No. 2 is Fifteen per Cent, and on No. 3 is

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Fifty Two per Cent. These sanctions being beyond the authorized limit, I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to request that His Lordship the Governor of Madras in Council will be so good as to cause them to be cancelled and the Bills to be submitted in the usual manner for the orders of the Government of India.

The Right Honble the Governor General in Council observes, that the general explanation assigned in all these cases of excess beyond the sanctioned Estimate is, that more work has been done than was designed. It would appear therefore that the projects have been altered on the authority of the Engineer in charge of the works; and His Lordship in Council requires that the Officers responsible for having thus spent public money without authority by doing more than was sanctioned, may first be called upon to shew why they should not be held personally liable for the excess of expenditure, and that these explanations may be sent up for consideration with the Bills.

I have the honor to be,
Your most obedt Servt
Jno Baker Colonel
Secy to the Govt of India

Fort William,
The 11th April 1837

J. H. B.

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№940.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 15th May 1857.

Read the following

letter from the Secretary to

the Government of India.

(Here enter 11th April 1857 № 1677)

Ordered to be com-

municated to the Chief

Engineer, who will submit the

explanation called for by the

Government of India relating

to the Bills №s 1. 2 and 7 of the

Godavery Division, forwarded

to this Government with

Colonel Faber's letter dated

7th November 1856 №7895. The

sanction accorded to these

Bills under date the 11th January

1857 should be considered

as

Public Works Dept.
Dated Camp 8th May 1857.

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From the Secretary
to the Govt. of India.

Dated 11th April 1857
Rec'd 24th }

To
The Secretary to Government
of India
Public Works Department.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the information of the Government of India, a copy of a letter from the Chief Engineer, Godavery Division, dated 7th November 1856, № 7895, with its enclosures, explaining the circumstances under which the Bills Nos 1, 2 and 7 of the Godavery Division for 1856-57 were submitted to the Government of India for sanction.

2. I am directed to request that the Government of India will be pleased to cause the explanation called for by the Government of India relating to the Bills Nos 1, 2 and 7 of the Godavery Division, forwarded to this Government with Colonel Faber's letter dated 7th November 1856 № 7895, to be communicated to the Chief Engineer, who will submit the explanation called for by the Government of India relating to the Bills Nos 1, 2 and 7 of the Godavery Division, forwarded to this Government with Colonel Faber's letter dated 7th November 1856 № 7895. The sanction accorded to these Bills under date the 11th January 1857 should be considered as

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From the Secy to Govt
of India
Public Works Dept

Dated 11th April 1857

Rec'd 24th

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the Government of India.
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=ed and furnished in re-
regard to this Bill also.

J S G

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Dr to Cons 19th May.

No 940.

Extract Mins of Cons:
Dy 15th May 1857

From the Offg Secy: to the Govt of India Dy 2d June 1856 No 1327 in Cons: 2 July

Relative to certain bills that have been passed by the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras in Council which are beyond the authorized limit & Communicating the same to the Chief Engr requesting him to submit the explanation called for by the Government of India respecting Bills Nos 1. 2. & 7 of the Godavery Division.

No 940 to 41.