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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
from 1st to 10th June 1859.*

No. 102. Read the following letter from J. L. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Civil Auditor; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 1st June 1859, No. 275.

may Instant, published in the Fort Saint George Gazette at page 970 of the 13th idem, on the subject of the audit by the Chief Engineer of the Military allowances of Commissioned, Warrant, and Non-commissioned Officers and Soldiers employed in the Public Works Department as well as their Staff salaries; and with advertance to the Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 1269, dated the 26th Instant, I have the honor to observe that, all bills for salary and allowances passed in the Civil Department obtain the pre-audit of this office, before payment, while in the Military Department they are paid by the Pay Master of the Division, on presentation of the bill, previous to their being forwarded to the Military Auditor General for final audit.

2. The delay which would be occasioned by pre-auditing the Military allowances would doubtless prove a great inconvenience to the Officers of the Departments without any apparent corresponding advantage.

3. The very fact of Military Officers receiving their Military allowance in advance renders the pre-audit system of their Staff pay less inconvenient.

4. As the operation of the order in question is to commence with the allowances for this month, I have the honor to request that the said order may be suspended until the Government shall have decided upon the advisability of its introduction after having received the reports called for.

5. I have already brought to the notice of Government, (after consulting with the Chief Engineer) the desirability of transferring the audit of the Travelling, Tentage and Horse allowances with a portion, i. e., Rupees 80, of the Establishment sanctioned in Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 12th September 1856, to the office of the Chief Engineer to which I have received no reply.

6. I would take this opportunity of also requesting the attention of Government to my letter No. 93, dated 22nd June 1858, stating that the Establishment sanctioned for the audit of

• Bills for travelling batta to Establishments.
Tentage to Officers.
Office rent.
Single Horse allowance.
Double .. do.
Treble ... do.
Ordinary contingent Bills.

the salary and allowances of Officers and Establishments in the Public Works Department was found inadequate, and that I had been obliged to transfer temporarily from other Departments an Establishment to the extent of Rupees 205, for the efficient audit of the charges* connected with the Public Works Department, and that it will therefore be impossible to audit the Military allowances without an augmentation of my Establishment.

No. 103. ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1859 No. 1379.

As recommended in this letter the Civil Auditor will forbear till further orders to give effect to the order of the Government of India of May 4th No. 2314, respecting the audit of Military allowances in the Public Works Department.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

paid by the Civil Auditor
Department

N^o 275

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From J. S. Darling Esq
Civil Auditor

To
A. J. Bourdillon Esq
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Public Works Depart. Sir,

With reference to the Notification
of the Supreme Government, N^o 2874, dated
14th instant, published in the Fort
Saint George Gazette at page 970 of
the 18th idem, on the subject of
the Audit by the Chief Engineer of
the Military Allowances of Com-
missioned, Warrant, and Non
Commissioned Officers & Soldiers
employed in the Public Works
Department as well as their Staff
Salaries, and with advertence to
the Proceedings of the Madras
Government, N^o 1269, dated the
25th instant, I have the honor
to observe that all bills for
Salary and allowances passed
in the Civil Department obtain
the sanction of this Office, before
payment, while in the Military
Department.

Department they are paid by the Pay Master of the Division, on presentation of the Bill, previous to their being forwarded to the Military Auditor General for final audit.

2. The delay which would be occasioned by preauditing the Military allowances would doubtless prove a great inconvenience to the Officers of the Department without any apparent corresponding advantage.

3. The very fact of Military Officers receiving their Military allowance in advance renders the pre audit system of their Staff pay less inconvenient.

4. As the operation of the order in question is to commence with the allowances for this month, I have the honor to request that the said order may be suspended until the Government shall ^{have} decided upon the advisability of its

its introduction after having received the reports called for

5 I have already brought to the notice of Government, (after consulting with the Chief Engineer) the desirability of transferring the audit of the Travelling, Haulage, and Horse Allowances with a portion, viz. Rs. 80, of the Establishment sanctioned in Abstract Minutes of Consultation, dated 15th September 1856, to the Office of the Chief Engineer to which I have received no reply.

6 I would take this opportunity of also requesting the attention of Government to my Ltr. No. 4248, dated 22nd June 1858, stating that the establishment sanctioned for the audit of the Salary & allowances of Officers and Establishments in the Public Works Department was found inadequate, and that I had been obliged to transfer temporarily from other Departments an establishment to the extent of Rs 205 for the efficient

Bills for
 Travelling Batta to Rets.
 Stage to Officers
 Office Post
 Single Horse all c.
 Double — do
 Triple — do
 Ordinary Carriage Billa.

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Yours most Obedt. Servant.

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97. Com. 24. May 1859 a. 132-133

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To Mr. Secretary
From the Civil Auditor
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As recommended in this letter the
Civil Auditor will forbear till further orders to give
effect to the order of the Government of India of May 4th
N^o 25114, respecting the audit of Military allowances in
the Public Works Department.

For Mr. Secretary
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N^o 1379. 7th June 1859.

Request the
suspension of the order
relating to the audit
of the Military allowances of the
British soldiers of the
squadron, Regiment
Commissioned, and
for names assigned
and that sent to the
may be given. & the
difference made in
the balance of account
charges connected
with the Public Works Dept.
will be in order.

Patent 1st June 1859
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Is now the offer to be made to the Govt
of India of the order of May 4th 1859 (C. 11)
1859 in Com. 24. May 1859 a. 132-133.