

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
18th February 1861.*

No. 237. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 12th February 1861, No. 76:—

Communicate order on the subject of the employment by Government of an expression suggested by the Sub-Treasurer when they have occasion to communicate to him specially their order for any particular payment to be made from the Treasury.

(Vide Financial Proceedings, 12th February 1861, Nos. 21, 22.

No. 238

ORDER THEREON, 18th February 1861, No. 377.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from W. BALMAIN, Esq., Officiating Sub Treasurer, to T. PYCROFF, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 22nd November 1860, No. 750.

I have the honor to report that I have advanced to Major Worster, Rupees (1,354-8-0) one thousand three hundred and fifty-four, and Annas eight, being in part of the advance sanctioned by Government, Order No. 227, of 26th February 1858; and I request that I may be informed this is correct.

2. I would beg to bring to the notice of Government that advances are frequently sanctioned without its being specified whether the advance is to be paid after audit by the Civil Auditor, or whether it is to be paid by the Sub Treasurer on the simple receipts of the party receiving the same. The Orders being addressed at foot to both the Civil Auditor and the Sub Treasurer. If Government deem it proper, I would solicit that in future when advances are to be made by the Sub Treasurer, the words "the Sub Treasurer is authorized to advance" or words of a similar import should be inserted in the body of the Proceeding.

ORDER THEREON, 4th December 1860, No. 1,746.

By Order of the Government, 19th August, No. 1,040, Public Department, the Sub Treasurer was authorized to advance to the Government Astronomer such sums as he might require, within the amount sanctioned on the preceding 26th February, or Rupees 7,200, for carrying on the printing of the Madras Meteorological and Magnetic observations. The Sub Treasurer is therefore correct in passing to Major Worster the advance of Rupees 1,354-8-0 if within the limit.

2. In respect to the question submitted by Mr. Balmain in paragraph 2 of his letter, it appears to Government that mere advances should be paid by the Sub Treasurer without their being passed by the Civil Auditor. These advances will of course have eventually to be covered by Bills which the Civil Auditor will have to audit before the accounts of the Officer who has received the advances can be cleared. Orders authorizing advances may be communicated to the Civil Auditor, but for information only.

3. The payments referred to in Mr. F. Lushington's letter of 27th August last, No. 160, really fall within the category of advances, being payments in part on account of arrears of allowances that had already become due. Such payments as these would have to be audited by the Civil Auditor as directed by Order of Government 6th September 1860, No. 533.

4. There would be no objection to the employment of such an expression* as that suggested by Mr. Balmain at the end of his letter, to distinguish those cases in which it is intended that the Sub Treasurer should make payments as advances without audit.

5. Before however issuing any final Order on this subject, the Government will take the opinion of the Accountant General upon it.

(True Extract.)

signed T. Pycroft

Chief Secretary.

the Accountant General.
" Sub Treasurer.

Ed. F. Cartledge.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read again letter from the Officiating Sub-Treasurer, dated 22nd November, No. 750, and recorded in Proceedings of the 4th December 1860, Public Department, No. 1,746.

Read also the following letter from R. P. HARRISON, Esq., Accountant General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 30th January 1861, No. 371.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government, No. 1,746, dated the 4th ultimo, under which my opinion is required before any final order is issued by the Government upon the question raised by the Acting Sub-Treasurer in the 2nd paragraph of his letter, No. 750, dated 22nd November 1860.

2. Mr. Balmain in the above letter brings to the notice of Government that advances are frequently sanctioned without its being specified whether the advance is to be paid after audit or on receipts of the party receiving the cash, and suggests that in future special authority may be given when advances are to be made by the Sub-Treasurer, by the words, "the Sub-Treasurer is authorized to advance."

3. There is in my opinion no objection whatever to the employment of an expression such as that suggested by Mr. Balmain, conveying in the body of the order special authority to advance, to the Sub-Treasurer, or other Officer by whom the payment is to be made. It appears to me, however, that where the Government sanction any particular payment and communicate specially their order containing such sanction, to the Sub-Treasurer (or other Treasury Officer), the authority is clear, and sufficient for him to make the payment at once, in advance. If it was intended that the payment should be made after audit the Treasury Officer would pay upon audited Bill and it would be unnecessary to communicate the order to him at all.

4. It is, I think, desirable that all Orders of Government sanctioning payments or advances should be communicated to the Civil Auditor for information.

5. I have to apologize for the delay which has occurred in submitting this report.

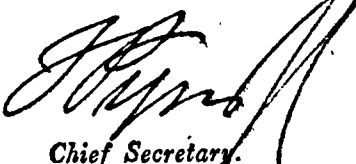
ORDER THEREON, 12th February 1861, No. 76.

Under the opinion expressed in paragraph 3 of the Accountant General's letter, the Government will for the future adopt the expression* suggested by the Sub-Treasurer when they have occasion to communicate to him specially their order for any particular payment to be made from the Treasury. In such cases the Sub-Treasurer will act upon the authority conveyed to him and make the payment at once in advance:

2. When it is intended that the payment should be made from the Treasury after being duly audited, the order sanctioning such payment will not be communicated to the Sub-Treasurer, but to the Offices of Account and Audit and other Officers that it may concern.

3. All Orders of Government sanctioning payments on advances will be communicated to the Civil Auditor for information.

(True Extract.)


Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant General:

- " Civil Auditor.
- " Sub-Treasurer.
- " Public Department.
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- " Revenue do. } With Order No. 1,746, Public Department.
- " Public Works do. }

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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