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Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th June 1863.*

No. 90. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department:—

Communicating Memorandum from the Government of India }
requesting the speedy submission of the Return called for, } (Here enter 23rd May 1863, No. 344.)
of the classes of Uncovenanted servants whom it is proposed }
to bring within the operation of the Pension Rules.

No. 91. Read also the following letter from Captain O. W. S. CHAMBERS, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer 1st Division, to Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary
to Government, Public Works Department, dated Waltair, 21st May 1863, No. 58.

SIR,

No. 751 of 1st April 1863.

* No. 413 of 17th February 1863.

1. I have the honor, with reference to the Proceedings of Government as per margin,* to submit an original letter from Major Stoddard, Acting District Engineer Godavery, detailing the nature of the duties performed by the following Establishment at the Godavery:—

Anicut Maistries.

Delta Superintendents.

Channel do.

Navigation do.

2. Major Stoddard also gives the grounds upon which it is proposed that these men shall be brought within the operations of the Pension Rules, and I do myself the honor to observe that I hold that these men, who serve the Government out-of-doors, are quite as much entitled by their exertions and services to pensions as Clerks and Writers, and that, considering what temptations they are exposed to in the way of being offered bribes to give or cut off water, I consider that any hold the Government might have on them in the shape of an expectation of a pension after many years' hard service, if their claim to a pension were acceded to, is a hold which it is very desirable to establish.

From Major J. STODDARD, Acting District Engineer Godavery, to Lieutenant-Colonel S. O. E. LUDLOW, R. E., Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle, dated Dowlaishwaram, 1st April 1863, No. 751.

SIR,

1. With reference to Extract Proceedings of the Chief Engineer No. 6,091, dated 12th instant, I have the honor to state below the duties performed by the Conservancy Establishments in this District.

Anicut Maistries.

2. These men are constantly employed on duties connected with the grand Anicut. They have to inspect the work in every part and report any thing which may appear to them to endanger it, and with the assistance of the Anicut coolies take steps to repair any derangement of the aprons. They are required to superintend all repairs or other work going on at the Anicut, and to carry out all orders which may be received from day to day regarding the due regulation of the supply of water to the several Deltas through the head works.

Delta Superintendents.

Their particular duties are to look after the proper distribution of the water after it has been admitted into the main feeders of their Deltas, to regulate the opening and closing of the several sluice shutters, to prevent all irregularities on the part of Ryots, such as cutting the banks, inserting sluices in unauthorized and dangerous places, and damming up the smaller channels by the erection of cross-banks. They are expected to be constantly on the move, making frequent tours in a systematic manner throughout their Deltas, and to report to the Executive Officers the extent of land watered in each village, bringing to notice for report to the Collector the existence of any concealed irrigation. They are also expected to see that the Channel Superintendents do not neglect their duty, or absent themselves from their respective beats.

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4th June 1863.*

The Channel Superintendents and Lascars are placed in charge of some portion of a Canal with its branch channels of irrigation, and it is their duty to attend to the orders of their superior officer regarding the distribution of water to the villages situated in their charges, and are held responsible for the due conservancy of all irrigation works placed under their supervision.

They are required to be always at their post, and to take immediate steps to prevent any breach occurring, reporting the circumstance at once to their superior officer.

Their duty consists in continually passing up and down their respective Canals and examining the state of each as regards their navigable properties. They must look after the Canal banks and keep the towing paths in order, removing all obstructions to tracking boats. The state of all Locks and Calingulabs in their Canals particularly is to be carefully and constantly observed and all repairs which may be necessary brought to the notice of the Executive Officer. They are required to look after the Lock servants and prevent all attempts at extortion from the boatmen on their part. It is their duty also to keep the navigable Canals free of all obstructions, compelling dhonnymen to keep on one side of the Canal, and to move their boats at night to one particular side. They have also to look after the avenues on the Canals and take steps to prevent the destruction of the young trees by cattle, &c.

3. Having stated the nature of the duties which each of the classes composing the Conservative Establishments have to perform, it only remains to state the grounds on which it is proposed they should be brought within the operations of the Pension Rules.

Of these the first and most obvious is "service," in the rendering of which their whole time is given up for the benefit of Government. They cannot be allowed to follow agricultural or other pursuits, nor have they the time for such.

On this consideration alone, they would seem to be as much entitled to participate in the rules regarding pension as any other servant of Government who devotes his time to their service.

Moreover, the duties devolving on these servants are both arduous and very responsible, and of such a nature as to continually expose them to strong temptation to corruption.

It is therefore as just, as it is politic, to treat them with an equal amount of liberality as regards pension as is shown to any other permanent servant of the State.

4. I beg in conclusion to refer you to Colonel Cotton's letter to the Collector, which was forwarded to the Secretary to the Revenue Board, Department Public Works, dated 5th December 1851, No. 417, in which that Officer recommended that these classes of servants should be placed on a permanent footing and eligible for pensions like other servants of the Government.

No. 92. ORDER THEREON, 4th June 1863, No. 1,423.

The foregoing Proceedings in the Financial Department will be communicated to the 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 8th Divisions. Superintending Engineers marginally noted, with a request that the report called for in the Chief Engineer's Proceedings No. 6,094, dated 12th March 1863, may be submitted without delay.

(Signed) W. I. BIRDWOOD, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

*Godavari District Eng. Office
Doralaivanam 11th April 1863.*

Ag. 51.

From

Major J. Stoddard

Acting District Engineer Godavari

To

Lieutenant Col. J. C. E. Ludlow R.E.

*Deputy Chief Engineer
Northern Circle*

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Deputy Chief Engineer
Northern Circle

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Attached to
Manager

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Proclamation
1st April 1863

No. 58

Superintending Engineer's Office
1st Division
Madras, 21 May 1863.

From,
Commissioner of the
Madras District

Captain O. Chambers R.E.
Superintending Engineer 1st Div.
Vizagapatam.

To,
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Madras.

Recd.
No. 751 of 1st Div.
Madras, 17 Feb 1863.

No. 413 of
17 Feb 1863.

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No. 751 of 1st Div.
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is very desirable to establish.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant

Ab. Chambers (ap/188.
Superintending Engineer 1870

Enclosed is an original
letter from the 2^d District
Court in reference to the
Court Proceedings No. 413
of 17th February 1863 regard-
ing certain Trustees & Super-
intendents who may be brought
in the operation of the Pension
Rules as well as Clerk and
notary. So

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following:

No. 1852.

Fort William, Financial Department, the 4th May 1863.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned is directed to call attention of the Government of Madras to Financial Resolution, No. 1,422, dated the 24th December 1842, and to request that the report therein called for may be kindly expedited.

W. B. HOLLINGBERY

(Signed) R. H. HOLLINGBERRY,
2nd Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd May 1863, No. 344.

Communicated to the undermentioned Departments of the Secretariat, in reference to Proceedings of Government, under date the 9th February last, No. 90.

Revenue Department.

Public Works do.

Military	do.
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Judicial	do.
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Ecclesiastical do.

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Chas. Cunningham
Chief Secretary.

Chief Secretary.

To the *Public* Department.

Exd. T. McMootry.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer
in the S. P. W. dated 12th March 1863

Read the following Proceedings
of Government.

(N. P. 17th February 1863 N. 4113)

Resolved with reference to the
foregoing Proceedings of Government to re-
quest the Deputy Chief Engineers of
the Northern, Southern and Central
Circles, to ascertain and report the na-
ture of the duties performed by the follow-
ing Class of Servants: and to state
the grounds on which it is proposed
they shall be severally brought within
the operations of the Pension Rules.

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Ancient Masters

Delta Superintendents.

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Communicating from
from the G. & L. of America
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 10 Ancient Superintendent
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2 The grounds of the recom-
 -mendation regarding the above class
 of servants should be fully and
 clearly detailed.

3 An early reply is requested
 to these Proceedings.

Per Extract
 Signed W. J. Birchwood R.E.
 Chief Engineer S.M.

To
 Lieut Colonel J. O. E. Ludlow R.E.
 Deputy Chief Engineer A. C. C.

10/423.

Public Works Department

Proceedings of the

Indian Government
Undertaken on 11th June 1863

Read the following Report of
Mr. Wood: in the Financial
Department

Communicating a Memo from the
Govt. of India requesting the
speedy submission of the return
called for of the charges of the
Government towards whom it is
proposed to bring another the spending
of the Pension Rules.

N. E. 23rd May 1863 No 31

Read also the following letter
from the Superintending Engineer 1st Division

Enclosed an original letter from
the Asst. Secy. to Govt. of India
reference to the Govt. of India
of 11th July 1863 regarding the
charges and superintendents
who may be brought in the spending
of the Pension Rules as clerk
and writers

N. E. 23rd May 1863 No 5

The foregoing Proceedings
in the Financial Department
will be communicated to the
Superintending Engineer of
~~Division~~ with a request that
the report called for in the
Circular

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Chief Engineer's Report No. 100
dated 12th March 1863 may be
submitted without delay -

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To
The Supergrants of Divisions with date 5th June
Chief Engineer (No. 100)
dated 12th March 1863

Public Works 1863. Separate

Proc. of Govt. for June

No. 123.

Proceedings of the Madras
Government

Dated 14th June 1863.

No 90292.