No 46 Public Works Depart.

Memorandum.

Adverting to G. O. dated 26th January 1860 No 195, the Secretary to Government has the honor to request that the Superintending Engineer 5th Division will be good enough to submit the Estimate therein required for enlarging Saint Marks Church at Bangalore at an early date.

Chepauk
10 October 1863.

(signed) C. A. Orr. Col. R.E.
Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

To

The Superintending Engineer

5th Division

Dated 10th October.

No 44 Public Works Department

Memorandum

The Secretary to Government has the honour to draw the attention of the Superintending Engineer 1st Division to P.C. dated 19th May 1863 No 1265 and to request that he will be good enough to submit as early as possible, the Estimates, thereon required for the Jails at Vizianagram and Palconda.

[Signed] Charles A. Orr Col RE.
Secretary to Govt
Public Works Dept

Chepauk
10th October 1863

To
The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Recd 10th October.

Rd 16th Oct
Pre- for Octobr
Superintending Engr 1st Divn

Acd 17th Oct

Copy sending to the Executive
with the Estimate called for
for enlarging Civil Prisons
Chepauk & at Bangalore.

No 45

No 45 Public Works Department

Memorandum.

The Secretary to Government has the honor to draw the attention of the Superintending Engineer 1st Division to the orders marginally noted, and to request that he will be good enough to submit at an early date, the Estimate, Plan, required for certain works at the Northern outlet of the Mangalore Harbour.

It is observed that the Lake Deputy Chief Engineer Central Circle, in the list of enumerated references submitted by him to the Chief Engineer in official Letter dated the subject was under reference to the District Engineer.

Chepauk
10 October 1863

(Signed) H. Ouchterlony
Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

15 May 1858. No 103.
15 September 1859. 1549.
23 May 1862. 1121.

To
The Superintending Engineer
1st Division
Nagapatam.

No. 1565 dated 10th Oct. 1863
Rec'd for October
To the Supdg Engr 1st Divn

Dated 10th October 1863

Requesting to be furnished with the Estimates called for for the jetties at Cajanangaram and Palaveradam.

No 44

Extract from the Register of Commencement of Remarks kept in the late Central Office of P.W.

Establishment	Date	Effluent	Period of remission in case by effluent	Remarks
W.V.A. Collieries				
Chief Engineers Office	1st Jany 1855	Cash	15½ . 7 .	
Central Office	1st Augt 1855	Do.	60 7 7	
	up to 30th Apl/62			
			Total 84 .	
W. & R. Rameo				
Bof Rmo	1st Nov/54	Cash	12 . 7 .	
Central Office	1st Augt 1855	Do.	20 1 . 11	
	12 Augt 1855			
	up to 30th Apl/62	Do. Cash	30 6 8 19	
			Total 8 6 .	
Pandora Medley				
Bof Rmo	2d Apl 1851	Cash	10 . 5 29	
"	Oct. "	Do.	12 1 7 .	
"	May 1853	Do.	114 . 11 .	
"	Sept.	Diary Keeper	16 . 16 .	
"	July 1854	Cash	18 . 1 .	
"	Augt "	Do.	19 1 . .	
Central Office	1st Augt 1855	Do.	30 2 1 .	
"	Jan 1857	Do.	20 30 5 8 .	
	up to 30 Apl/62			
			Total 12 . 29	

Annual Roll of Individuals who have been thrown out of employment by the abolition of the Central Office of D.P.W.

Names	Date of employment	Date when discharged	Period of Services Years	m	d.	Salary when discharged Rs	A.	P.	Services whether Continuous or otherwise	Remarks.
Clerk.										
Mr. X. A. D'Silva	1st January 1855	30th April 1863	8	4	.	60	.	.	Continuous	Recommended for Rs 180 equal to 3 Months salary.
Clerk										
Mr. D. Ramos.	1st November 1854	30th April 1863	8	6	.	30	.	.	Continuous	Do for Rs 90 equal to Do
Draftsman										
P. Jagannada Naidu	21st July 1848	30th April 1863	14	9	10	30	.	.	Continuous.	As his services of this individual is nearly 15 years which will entitle him to Pension under the new Rules it is specially recommended that a sum of Rs 360 equal to 12 Months pay may be granted to him.
Clerk										
C. Joandra Modelly	2d April 1851	30 April 1863	12	7	29	30	.	.	Continuous	Recommended for Rs 180 equal to 6 Months salary
Clerk										
C. Chinnasawmy Modelly	21st May 1849	30 April 1863	14	9	8	20	.	.	Continuous	As only a few months are required to entitle this individual to a pension under the new Rules 12 Months pay or Rs 240 is recommended.
Clerk										
P. Moodeliar Modelly	1st September 1851	30 April 1863	8	8	.	20	.	.	Continuous	Recommended for Rs 60 equal to 3 Months pay.

Chespaik
9th October 1863

W.T.C.

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Pay. Department

No 42

Official Memo

In forwarding to the Civil Paymaster the accompanying Rolls of individuals of the late Central Office of Public Works entitled to gratuities the Secretary to Government requests that the same may be forwarded to Government in the Pension Department with the usual report.

Chepauk
9 October 1863

(Sd) Charles A Oxx Colls BS
Secretary to Government

To
The Civil Paymaster.

Dept. 9th October

Civil Engineer 6.20.

Superintendent

Imperial

FORM. O.

IMPERIAL FUND.

Abstract of the amounts required to be held at the several Talaqs at the disposal of the ~~officers of the Public Works Department of the Tanjur District~~ Engineer 6th Dee during the month of October 1863.

By whom required.	At what Taluq.	Amount.	Amount.
Amount of Public Works expenditure authorized for the current year	"	284263	"
Amount drawn up to the end of ~~last month~~ August	"	87049	"
Amount applied for on account of ~~current~~ ~~month's~~ expenditure October	"	73950	"
Amount required for next month by the ~~following officers~~ Supg Engineer 6th Dee			
~~District Engineer~~	Hoozoor Treasury	1500	
~~Range Officer~~	Tanjur		
	Combaconum		
	Mayaveram		
	Sheally		
	Negapatam		
	Tritrapundy		
	Mannargudi		
	Puttoocotah		
	Nunnilum		
	Total amount required	1500	

Amount required by the ~~following officers for Salaries, Establishment, &c.~~ Superintendent Engineer 6th Division

~~District Engineer~~	Hoozoor Treasury	
~~Range Officer~~	Tanjur	
	Combaccoum	
	Mayaveram	
	Sheally	
	Negapatam	
	Tritrapundy	
	Mannargudi	
	Puttoocotah	
	Nunnilum	

× Amount of Establishment Budgeted for Jan 24,055
Amount of Establishment drawn for October 2,008
as per order of Govt No 1248 of 18th May 1863 21,500
Do — do — 1862 — 10,000
Do — do — 1862 — 500
Do — do — 1863 — 3,708
and 2/16 of 21,500 Establishment for 1863 — 2,842
284,263

Supg Engrs Office 6th Dee
TANJUR,
7th October 1863

For the Construction of Police Stations Hoozoor
Sanctioned in Govt Memo No 1248 of 18th May 1863

Ell Lieut Captain R.E.
Superintending Engineer 6th Dee

Superintending Engineer's Office 6th Div.
Kanpur, 10th October 1863.

No. 913.

From Captain A. Fort, R.E.
Superintending Engineer 6th Division

To
Colonel C. A. Orr, R.E.
Secretary to Government, D.P.W.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, in reply to your Immt. No. 30 dated 8th Inst. which Lieutenant Mead was engaged taking over charge of the 6th Range from Mr. Oldham, Government Overseer, directed that Respondentia Rozu should remain in the Kooshpoorany Range and be placed in charge of one of the Ranges. He was accordingly so directed by the 6th Range. Mr. Oldham gave over charge of the Range on the 2nd instant; and he proceeded to the 6th Range, and reported his departure from

×No 2432.
Rec'd 12 Sept 1863

P.W. 1863 Department
Roo-for Calcutta
Inscriptions
No 4086.

From
The Superintending Engr
6th Div.

To / The Secretary to the
Government D.P.W.

Dated 9th
Recd 13th October 1863

Supplemental

Abstract of the Amounts
required to be held at
the several Telegraph
Stations for the
Superintending Engineer
6th Division during
the month of October
1863

No 55

Wth Acct Orders.

No 55

Ordered that the following
letter be despatched to the Dept.
Auditor and Accountant General

(Here enter No. 56 dated
13th October 1863.)

No. 57

Communicated to Mr. W. F.

Executive Engineer 2nd Class.

16th October 78

Chesapeake

From the District on the 2nd October.

Sir

Have the honor to be,

Your most Obt. Servt.

E. H. Ruml Lieut. R.E.

Superintending Engineer

for Division

Dept. of Engineer Office
for Divisions
Rangoon, 10th
October 1878.

To W. Frazer Esqre
Executive Engr. 2nd Class
Red Hills

Dept. 14th October.

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P. W. 1863 Dcpt
Rec-for October
From [illegible] No. 4188

The Superintending Engineer
4th Division

To
The Secretary to Govt.
P. W.

No. 913.

Dated 10th October 1863
Rec. 13th

Explaining delay in Mr. Altman being relieved of the charge of his range.

No. 57

With an Order.

No. 2838.

Official Memorandum

With reference to the 1st Sentence in the Proceedings of Government No. 2883. dated 8th October 1863, the Superintending Engineer 4th "Div." have the honor to report that all records found in his office belonging to other Districts were searched in order to be forwarded to the Superintendent of Public Stores as reported to Government in letter from this Office No. 1812 dated 19th August 1863. They were afterwards sent to Mr Curley.

Supdt. Engr's. Office
4th "Div."
Madras 7th October 1863

H Boileau Lieut. R.E.
Asst. Engineer 4th "Div."

To
The Secretary to Government
P. W. Department

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

13th October 1863.

No. 56.

To

The Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I have the honor to request, that you will issue ~~credit~~ Supplemental on the undermentioned Civil Treasuries for the month of October 1863 on account of Public Works ~~and salaries, &c.~~, in favor of the Officers of the Public Works Department for the sums hereinafter specified, amounting ~~in the aggregate~~ to Rupees One thousand five hundred

Name of Treasury.	In whose favor.	Amount. For works.	Amount. For salaries, &c.
		RS.	RS.
Ganjam	Superintending Engineer 1st Division.	"	"
Vizagapatam ...		"	"
Godavery ...		"	"
Kistna	Do. do. 2nd do.	"	"
Nellore		"	"
Cuddapah ...	Do. do. 3rd do.	"	"
Kurnool ...		"	"
Bellary		"	"
Bank of Madras	Do. do. 4th do.	"	"
Madras ...		"	"
North Arcot ...		"	"
South Arcot ...	Do. do. 5th do.	"	"
Salem		"	"
Bangalore ...		1500	"
Tanjore	Do. do. 6th do.	"	"
Trichinopoly ...		"	"
Coimbatore ...	Do. do. 7th do.	"	"
Malabar... ...		"	"
South Canara		"	"
Madura	Do. do. 8th do.	"	"
Tinnevelly ...		"	"
Bank of Madras	Secretary to Government in the D. P. W., on account of the Presidency Store Department.		
Total...	... ...	1500	"
	Grand Total ...		1500

Certified that the amount of this application is within the sanctioned Budget allotment.

Dept. 13 October.

Lieut. Colonel Commanding Officer Corps of Sappers & Miners.

Dated 13th October 1863.

Received 13th October 1863.

No. 2838.

To the Secretary to Govt. P. W. D.

Return that all the Vouchers for the late Govt. Office P. W. D. mentioned in Cover and 4 Mus. Bills Cooley dupt. of Public Workers.

Lt. Col. Engrs. Chief Engr. & Secy.

Public Department.

No. 65

MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned presents compliments and begs to forward to the Secretary to Government Public Works Department the publication specified in the margin.

Thirteen copies of the Annals of Indian Administration Part 3 Volume VII

Fort Saint George,
6th October 1863.

Deputy Secretary to Government.

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To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Public Dept. Oct. 1863
No. 65
The Deputy Secretary
to Govt.

Received 13th October

Requesting that
Fifty Copies may be
issued for Public use
to Treasury at the
Presidency
Fort St. George
6th Oct. 1863
No. 65

Pg 624 Ordered that the following distribution be made:—

Distribution Engineers & Quartermaster's Office
Commanding Engineer's Office, Cowpaux, Oct 4th
Received from Quartermaster Dunn
Ninety dollars
Ninety dollars
Received payment
Thos Lee

Pay to Lt Col Thos Lee or order
Ninety dollars
Thos Lee

Approved by the Secretary of War
Henry Knox

Pg 624

No 60

Official Memorandum

The Secretary to Government has the honor to draw the attention of the Superintending Engineer 4th Division to QQ dated 22d September 1863 No 2762 and to request that he will be good enough to submit without further delay the information therein required on the best mode of supplying the P.W.D with timber.

Chepauk
14th October 1863

[signed] Charles A Orr Colvile
Secretary to Govt
P.W.D

To
The Supg Engr 4th Division
Despd 14th October

P.W. 1863. Dated
Rec'd for October No 4034
From The Secretary to the
Commissioner of Tellycherry.

To The Secretary to the Government
of Fort Saint George.
Public Works Dept.

Dated
Despatched } 5 October
Received 8 "

Enclosures, No. 2
Encl No 2341
Misc 16 Subject.

As requested in letter No 2779
of the 24th Instant, forwards 2
additional Copies of the Report
on the Mhaini Canwai project.

By Order

[signature illegible]
Secretary.

No 440
Written Order

Mhaini Canwai. Rep to

The undersigned has the honor to forward
to the Board on the Mhaini Canal Company's application
for the proposed Canwai projects, agreeably to
the request contained in the Board's letter No 965 of 12th October 1863.

To
Battye's
Copies

The Agent Madras Irrigation & Canal Co Ltd

Mhaini Canwai Rep to Govt

Dated 5th October 1863

No 59. Official Memo

The Secretary to Government has the honor to draw the attention of the Superintending Engineer 1st Division to G.O. dated 20th April 1863 No 972 and to request that he will be good enough to submit without further delay, the Plans and Estimates therein required for a portion of the road from Vizagapatam to Jeypore.

Chepauk
14th October
1863

Signed/ Charles A Orr Colr &
Secry to Govt M.D

To The Supg Engr 1st Division
Despd 14th October

Rd 15th 1863 Octr
Pro- for October
To the Supg Engr 1st Division

Dated 14th October 1863

Requesting that
furnished with the
information required
upon the matter herein
noted & that he
will do so without
delay

No 60

No. 1863 addd
Cost for October

Office Engr. & Surv.

Returned, to be forwarded with the Plans and Estimates, called for, for a portion of this road from Vizy Palanca to Jaffna.

No 59

1863.

Mulleddaipah
Supdg. Engrs Office
6th October 1863.

From

Lieut. Col. R. Henry R.E.
Supdg. Engineer
3d Division

To

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

Sir,

With reference to Order of Government P. W. D. No 2782 dated 24th September 1863, I have the honor to report that there are no temporary buildings occupied as barracks in this Division.

I have &c
Henry
Lt. Col. R.E.
Supdg. Engineer
3d Div.

P. W. Dept 1863
Rec.d for October
From No. 4440
The Supdg. Engineer
3d Divn.

To
The Secry. to Government
P. W. D.

No 193

Dated 6th October 1863.
Rec.d 9th October 1863.

Reports that there are no temporary buildings occupied as barrack in the 3d Division.

No 58

Lt Col
1st Dist 63
Chepauk

No 59

No 58 Official Memorandum

The Secretary to Government has the honor to request that the Superintending Engineer 2d Division will be good enough to submit at an early date the Estimates for the line of road from Vaseley to the head of the Doomal Pass in the Chellore District called for in para 8 of G.O. dated 17 July 1863 No 1927.

Chepauk
14th October 1863

(Signed) Charles A Orr Lt & RE
Secry to Govt P. W. D.

To
The Supdg Engr 2d Dn.
Dept 14th October

Extract from the Register of Unconvenanted Servants Kept in the late Central Office of Public Works.

Establishment	Date	Appointment	Salary	Period of Service on each appointment Years	Months	Days	Remarks
Mr. W. B. Pozzani							
Central Office	1st Oct. 1855	Clerk	30	2	9		
—do—	1st July 1856	—do—	40	1	6		
—do—	1st January 1858	Offg Head Clerk & Cashier	40		5		
—do—	1st June "	Head Clerk & Cash.	80	1	1	15	
—do—	16 July 1859	Indexer	60	1	2	13	
—do—	27 Sept. 1860	Head Clerk & Cash.	100	2	1	9	
—do—	6 Nov. 1862	Clerk	70		5	25	
	up to 30 April 63	Total		7	7		
P. Naraina Iyenga Naidoo							
Military Board Office	18th Oct. 1854	Clerk	18		2	20	
Central Office	1st August 1855	do	20	7	2		
	up to 30 April 1862	Total		8	6	20	
Mr. H. Hardinge							
Central Office	1st August 1855	Draftsman	20	1	8	26	
—do—	27 April 1857	—do—	30	2	9	23	
—do—	20 Feby 1860	Asst. C. Clerk	65				
—do—	"	Draftsman	80	3	2	9	
	up to 30 April 1863	Total		7	9	"	
P. Gunnapathi Modelly							
Chief Clerks office	18 February 1851	Draftsman	7	3	6	14	
—do—	1st Sept. 1854	—do—	12	"	1	27	
—do—	1st Nov. "	—do—	14	"	9	"	
Central Office	1st August 1855	—do— Clerk	20	1	9	14	
—do—	15 Oct. 1856	—do—	30	2	9	23	
—do—	7 January 1859	—do—	50	4	1	27	
	up to Feby 1863	Total		12	"	11	

Chepauk P.
29 Oct. 1863

(Sd) Charles Orr Colonel RE
Secretary to Government

Dft. 1863 dated
Poo. for October
Fee Supp Exp Dr
dated 11th Oct/63

Requesting the
furnished with the Est
-mate called for in the
Board from Bpaly to
with the copy two Original
Pays, Allowances &c.

No 58

Nominal Roll of individuals who have been struck out of employment by the abolition of the Central Office of Works.

Name	Date of employment	Date when discharged	Period of Service	Salary when discharged	Service whether continuous or otherwise	Remarks
Clerk						
Mr. W. B. Rozario	1st July 1849	30 April 1863	13 "	70 " "	Continuous	Character Good (Recommended for Rs 210 equal to three month's pay
Clerk						
S. Navaratnasamy	12 Oct. 1854	Do	8 "	80 " "	Do	Character good (Recommended for Rs 60 equal to 3 Month's pay
Draftsman						
Mr. S. Modder	1st Augt 1855	Do	7 "	80 " "	Do	Character Good (Recommended for Rs 210 equal to 3 Month's pay
Draftsman						
P. Cumaratchy Modelly	15 Feby 1851	28 Feby 1863	12 " "	50 " "	Do	Character good (Recommended for Rs 300 equal to 6 Month's pay

Colombo
29th Oct. 1863

for Chas. A. Ollivier
Secy to Govt

No 174 Public Works Department

Official Memo

I'm forwarding to the Civil Paymaster in continuation of Memo No 76 the accompanying Rolls of individuals of the late Central Office of P.W.D. entitled to gratuities the Secretary to Government requests that the parties may be forwarded to Government in the Pension Department with the usual report.

Chepauk
29 Oct. 1863.

[Sd] Charles A Orr Colonel R.E.
Secretary to Govt P.W.D.

To
The Civil Paymaster
Disp. 29th October

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 157. 27th October 1863.

To

The Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I have the honor to request, that you will issue ~~supplemental~~ credits on the undermentioned Civil Treasuries for the month of November 1863 on account of Public Works ~~and salaries, &c.~~, in favor of the Officers of the Public Works Department for the sums hereinafter specified, amounting ~~in the aggregate~~ to Rupees Two thousand.

Name of Treasury.	In whose favor.	Amount. For works.	Amount. For salaries, &c.
		Rs.	Rs.
Ganjam ... ... Vizagapatam ... Godavery ...	Superintending Engineer 1st Division.	2000.	
Kistna ... ... Nellore	Do. do. 2nd do.		
Cuddapah ... Kurnool ... Bellary	Do. do. 3rd do.		
Bank of Madras Madras ... North Arcot ...	Do. do. 4th do.		
South Arcot ... Salem ... ... Bangalore ...	Do. do. 5th do.		
Tanjore ... ... Trichinopoly ...	Do. do. 6th do.		
Coimbatore ... Malabar... ... South Canara	Do. do. 7th do.		
Madura ... ... Tinnevelly ...	Do. do. 8th do.		
Bank of Madras	Secretary to Government in the D. P. W., on account of the Presidency Store Department.		
Total...	... ...	2000	
	Grand Total ...		2000

Certified that the amount of this application is within the sanctioned Budget allotment.

Dated Fort 27th October.

Received 29th Oct. 1863 acquitt.
Rs. for Collr.
Collr. Civil Expenses

Examined & Registered
Administrative Report
Public Department
Fort St. George
Date 1/11/63

Petition Department

Memo:

The Deputy Secretary
to Government in the Public Department
has the honor to request the Auditor
to Government & Public Accounts
to Office for reference &c
Government Order No. 2178 dated
November 1859, No. 2178 for
execution & Court Revenue &
Customs Duties in South Arcot.

Fort St. George
24th October 1863

To
The Deputy to Govt
Dy. Secy. to Govt

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Pay for October

The Dy Accountant Genl

Dated 29th Decr 63

Treasury Rupees
Credit may be
given for Rs 7 on the
Treasury at Ganjam
for Rs 200

No 157

PK 1863 Decbr
Pro-for October
No 4250.

Sanction by Govt to
Petition Dec

Dated 26 Oct/63
Recd 27

Requesting the furnished with a Copy of G.O. No 2778 of 1859 in the subject of the construction of a Court House at Cuddalore, S Arcot District.

No 165

Dft filed

28 Oct/63
Calcutta

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
28th October 1863.

No. 165.

To

The Superintending Engineer 1st Division.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that credit has been granted in your favor on the Treasuries noted in the margin as per your application of the 1st Instt for the month of November next aggregating Rupees (90766—) ~~Lakh~~ ~~Ninety thousand~~ seven hundred and sixty six only.

Name of Treasury.	On account of works.	On account of salaries, &c.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Ganjam	10950	2176	13126
Vizagapatam	16000	5100	21100
Godavery	46100	10440	56540
			90766

The sum sanctioned in G.O. No 2666 dated 15th September 1858 Vizt Rs 4000 should be added to the allotment of the Godavery District

Draft 28th October.

No 3030.

Memo.

The Superintending Engineer
4th Division has the honor to request the
Secretary to Government P.W.D. will favor
him with 5 extra copies of Proceedings of Government
No. 3152 dated 14th October 1863 additional Copies
wanted & 3 copies of No. 2944 dated 12th Sept. last
Department.

Superintending Engr's Office
4th Division
Madras 24th October 1863

Bureau
Supdg Engr 4th Div.
Rec'd & A. Ors. &c.

Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Oct. 1863 Sept
Rec'd for October

The Supdg Engr 4th Div

Dated 28th Oct 63

Informing that
Credit was granted in his
favor for November 63.

No 164

Public Works 1863 Dept.
Pro-for October
No. 4311

Resolved that the following distribution be made:—

Superintending Engineers four Copies each —— 32
Secretary to Government —— 1
Dy Secretary to Government —— 1
Government Central Museum Madras —— 1
Madras Islandic Reading Room —— 1
Surgeon Balfour —— 1
Ist Store. —— 1

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No 158

From my pro-for distribution thirty eight copies of each of the Reports noted in the Margin of the Resolution of this Govt No LXXXII dated 1st October 1863 - No 158

Wm Ian Orler

Dated 1st October 1863
Rec'd 26th "

No. 3030.

To the Under Secretary
to the Government of
Bombay.

Sir.

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to cause the undermentioned Reports to be distributed as per margin.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
P. J. Fraser
Secretary to Government

Public Works Dept.
Pro-for October
No. 4311

The Supt Engr 4th Div
The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

Dated 24th October 1863.
Recd 26th "
No. 3030.

Applies for Extra
Copies of Pro No 3152
My Dept No 2964
P.W.D. 3 Octr 1863.

No 159

27th Oct/63
Circulated

27th Oct/63
Circulated

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

MEMORANDUM.

Selections from the Records of the Bombay Government Nos. LXXI. and LXXVIII.

Thirty Eight Copies of each of the Publications specified in the margin are forwarded herewith to the Secretary to the Govt of Madras for distribution as per annexed List

BOMBAY CASTLE,
1st October 1863.

E. B. HOLLAND, Captain, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government,

List

The Secretary to the Government of Madras — 35

Government Central Museum Madras — 1

Madras Hindoo Reading Room — 1

Surgeon Balfour of the Madras Medical Establishment — 1

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Memorandum showing the changes in the sanctioned Budget for 1863/64 *in the Public Works Department for the month of Sept.* 1863.

Heads of Changes.	Budget Estimate.	Present Estimate.	Alterations. Increase.	Alterations. Decrease.	Remarks.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	

Chepauk,
2nd October 186

To the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General.

Accepted 2 Oct 1863

No 6
No 3

Official Memo

The Lords wish to have the
remarks drawn the attention of the Supt
Engineer to Drainage Qs dated 17th
January 1863 and to request that
he will let the Lords Committee
have a good map of the Estimates shewing
clearly date of the & climate thereon
as early date of the Surveying the building
required off the Avenue in the Queens Square
to the north of the Queens Square
Hospital and the building now occupied by the
Surgeon Major of the Regimental Staff Quarters -
Regimental Hospital & Officers Quarters & Offices
Signed Blackburne

Blackburne
15th October 1863

Surveyor Gen. W.O.

15 October 1863

To
The Secretary of State for War

Dr. 1863 Oct 15th
Rec. for October
To Weekly Amor & Ans
Stone

Acctd 20 October 63

Forwarding a
Memo showing the
changes in the same
times Vouchers for 1862/63
in the P. Wks Depts of this
Secretariat for Sept 63

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Cor- for October.
Hon. Secretary

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Dated 16th October 63

Secretary will
furnished with the
Estimate, calling
offers cost of Masonry
&c buildings Wall
works of said General
Hospital, as Req
uired.
Offo. 16/8

Revenue Department

№ 209

Official Memorandum

The undersigned has the
honor to request the Secretary to Govt.
in the Public Works Department to
furnish information as to what
steps have been taken to make an
addition to the present record room
at Ames' Gardens agreeably to para
1 of the order of Govt. in Judicial
Department dated 28 April 1863
№ 653 and when it is likely that the
addition will be completed.

Fort St. George
Pt. October 1863

L. Dunn
Secretary to Govt.

To
The Secretary to Govt.
Public Works Department.

List of sanctions from the Reserve Fund of 1863/64 for works in the 7th Division.

Coimbatore.	Rs.	a.	p.	Malabar	Rs.	a.	p.	South Canara	Rs.	a.	p.
P.W. 23rd June 1863 No. 1645	6,790	"	"	P.W. 6th May 1863 No. 1159	4,500	"	"	P.W. 24th August/63 No. 2401	267	3	3
" 25th do " " 1662	500	"	"	" 27th do " 1348	27127	"	"	" 23rd Sept/63 " 2765	4,622	"	"
" 21st July " " 1978	6,500	"	"	" 22nd June " 1635	4,660	"	"				
" 25th do " " 2050	1,880	"	"	" 24th do " 1653	1,400	"	"				
" 22nd September " " 2157											
" 26th August " " 2433	80	"	"	" 29th do " 1677	2,340	"	"				
" 23rd September " " 2765	3,807	"	"	" 29th July " 2117	570	"	"				
				" 10th September " 2606	1,500	"	"				
				" 22nd do " 2750	2,620	"	"				
				" 30th do " 2843	5,000	"	"				
	19,657				22,637	127			4,889	3	3

No 161

Supdg. Engr's Office 7th Dn.
Coonoor, 30th Sept. 1863.

From

Lieutenant-Colonel Gtt. Walker R.E.
Superintending Engineer 7th Division

To,

Colonel C. A.-Orr R.E.
Secy. to Government P.W.D. Madras.

Sir,

Government Order No. 2788 of 25th Sept. finally disposing of applications for allotments from the Reserve Fund of 1863-64, and the number and amount of sanctions from such Fund, especially for the Coimbatore District, being difficult to ascertain owing to some uncertainty whether certain sanctions of late date in April appertain to the Reserve Fund of last or the Current Year, I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to supply me with an authentic list of all Reserve Fund sanctions of 1863-64 for works in the 7th Division - Otherwise we shall be in some doubt as to the actual Amount of our credits.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obed. Servt.
Wmwalker Lieut. Col. R.E.
Supg. Engr. 7th Dn.

Rec'd 31 Oct/63.
No 20
Ans. for Oct/63

RESOURCE DEPARTMENT.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,

DEPUTY AUDITOR AND ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

The 5th October 1863.

No. *39*

From

THE DEPY. AUDITOR AND ACCOUNTANT GENERAL.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, D. P. W.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that Credit has this day been granted in favor of the Officer of the Public Works Department, as per your Application of the *3rd* inst. No. *17* for the month of *October* ~~next~~ for ~~aggregating~~ Rupees (*3200*-0-0) ~~Indld~~ *Three* thousand *two* hundred ~~and~~ only.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Richardson

Dy. Audr. and Acct. General.

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PRINTED BY D. P. L. C. CONNOR, AT THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S PRESS.

Copy of Letter from Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, No. 39, dated 5th October 1863.

Credit granted for Rupees 3200 for the month of October 1863.

Debit to Public Works Department, Rupees 3200.

Rs. 111

Calling for explanation of Revenue Fund Accountant's letter of 7th October.

Rs. 3200

To the Acting Superintendent of Police, Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the letter from the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, No. 161, dated 30th September 1863, I am directed by Government to request that you will be pleased to cause the Revenue Fund Accountant to be informed in the Criminal Department, and to call for explanation from the Revenue Fund Accountant, as to why the Fund was made liable for the Criminal Charges, Rs. 3200.

I have &c.

Secretary to Government.

To

The Deputy Auditor and Accountant General.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, No. 161, dated 30th September 1863, with its enclosure, and to request that you will be pleased to cause the Revenue Fund Accountant to be informed in the Criminal Department, and to call for explanation from the Revenue Fund Accountant, as to why the Fund was made liable for the Criminal Charges, Rs. 3200.

I have &c.

Secretary to Government.

To

The Deputy Auditor and Accountant General.

To

Colonel C. A. Orr R. E.
Secretary to Government in the
Public Works Department

Sir

I beg most respectfully to bring to your notice that I wrote on the 24th of August last to the Superintending Engineer of the 9th Division to be good enough to send me my pay and allowances due from 1st April 1863 which according to Memo. No 1 of 9th June last from the Superintending Engineer to the address of is held in deposit in the Mangalore Treasury; the amount due is as follows

Pay from 1st April 1863 to 13th May 1863 @ 100 Rs per mensem	Rs	141-14-11
Pay from 14th May to 28th May/63 @ 50 Rs per mensem being on sick leave		24-3-1
		176-2-0
deduct income tax		6-10-3
		169-7-9
Travelling allowance for April 1863 and 13 days in May 1863 @ 1-8 per day		64-8-0
Total Rs due		233-15-9

I beg therefore you will kindly be pleased to issue the necessary instructions on the subject for I am suffering much owing to the non-receipt of this amount.

I beg to state that I have furnished the Superintending Engineer with Monthly Inspection Reports in the prescribed form

George Gazette and as the time allowed for
responding

No 28

Mangalore Dated 8th October 1863

From Lieut. P. Wilson Dy Asst
Executive Engr
To Lieut. C. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Govt
Public Works Dept

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter addressed to the Superintending Engineer of the 9th Division Public Works Department, for transmission.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most obedient Servant
P. Wilson Lieut
Dy Asst Executive Engr

Copy forwarded with
Duplicate Bank
Receipt for Rs 233-15-9
for disposal
By order
Lieut
Asst Executive Engr

for the amount claimed as Travelling Allowance, and further I obtained regular Transfer Receipts according to the rules of the Department on giving over charge of the Coondapoor Ranges to Mr. O. H. Fernandez, 2nd Class Supervisor D.P.W. when I was leaving the South Canara District.

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Geo. B. Wardon
late in charge in the D.P.W
of the South Canara District

Madras
2nd October
1863

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To Colonel M. Bodeau, R.E.
Superintending Engineer 4th Division.

Sir,

I beg respectfully to state that I am in charge of the Canal Department on the receipt of £38 Rupees per annum, and the native writer is as follows:

Mr. Gilbert who writes all letters, which of late have considerably increased, and register them. I carefully examine the Abstract Paper and weigh Register Letters with the Mail, file and report them to the Executive Clerk and then answer disposals to the Sincerest Number Books kept by me.

I do make Precis of all important subjects for which assistant reference is required, & do submit the Abstracts to the Executive Department, which are then sent to the Secretariat of the Budget, and in the meantime prepare the Memoranda for monthly attend to the Executive Council.

I beg also to add that frequent requisitions are made by the Secretariat Office for reference from the Records of the Chief Engineers Office, which are attended to, by sending minutes of my time.

I am

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) J. A. Vardon

Clerk in charge of Records

Superintending Engineer's Office

4th Division

Dated 2nd October 1863

P.W. 1863 Dept
Vor - for October
No. 3968

From
Mr. J. A. Vardon
late an Overseer
in the P.W.D. of the
South Canara Dist.

Dated 2nd
Recd 3d Oct 1863

Requesting that the necessary instructions may be issued for the disbursement of the pay and allowances due to him from the 1st April 1863.

No. 19
With an Order

5th October 1863
Cheparah

No. 19

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer 7th Division with a request that as final orders have been passed on Mr. Vardon's case, the Pay and allowances due to him may be disbursed.

Mr. Vardon stated that he obtained regular transfer Certificate on giving over charge of his range to Mr. Fernandez.

To The Supg Engineer 7th Division
Dept. 5th October.

No. 37

In addition to the above, I am in charge of the Index, to which I am obliged to devolve extra hours, in order that it may be up to date.

I beg to state that I am assisted by a man on the receipt of a Lascar's pay of 6 Rupees per month, who, though useful, yet I cannot expect him to do much.

Under the above circumstances, I beg respectfully that the 15 Rupees which is credited to Government from Mr. Richardson's salary may be given to me as a temporary measure, till such time as he shall pass the Uncovenanted Service Examination; as I am now on a reduced salary and feel it very hard to maintain a large family.

In conclusion, I humbly beg to refer you to the Official Register in which are registered Certificates regarding my qualifications.

I beg leave to remain
Sir
Your Most Obed.t & Humble Servant

2nd October 1863.

J. R. Fewkes.

Transcribed

No. 2457.

The above letter is forwarded to Govt for their favorable consideration

Abbiccus Hill
for Lt Gen.l Dr

Ref. Pres. U.D.
Madras
8. Oct 1863

To The Secty to Government
&c &c

Lo Govt. P.W.D. No 2757 3 of 63
Oct 1863

From Order No 2757
Mr. J. B. Fawkes
Record Keeper
Supdg Engr Offices
Adjr Dated 2nd Oct 1863

Dated 2nd = 1863

To Colonel A. Bolton R.E.
Superintending Engineer
4th Division

Sir,

I have the
duties as Record Keeper,
states that he is assisted
by a man on the salary of
Rs 9 and solicits that
the sum of Rs 15 credited
to him may be granted
him.

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No 1056

Superintg. Engineer's Office 5th Div.
Camp Namakal 9th October 1863.

From,

Lieut. Col. H. W. Hitchins R.E.
Superintending Engineer 5th Div.

To,

Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government Dn. P.W.

Sir,

With reference to the order of Govt. dated 22nd September 1863 No. 2762, directing me to report on certain points regarding the supply of Timber to the Public Works Department, I have the honor to state that the practice varies at each Station, but I can give the result of my Experience at the Presidency and which I believe will meet the requirements of the Controller of Military Finance.

2. Timber was procured at the Presidency a few years ago, by invitation Tenders, for its supply in a rough state, through the Fort Saint George Gazette and as the time allowed for

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Forwarding a Memo from Mr J. R. Fowkes, Asst. Keeper in his Office, requesting that the Sum of Rs 15 credited to Civil from Mr Richardson's Salary may be granted him as a temporary measure until the above Clerk passes the Uncovenanted Service Examination. No 2161
Madras 9/10/63

L. Dy. 1863 Department
Pre-for October
No 3992
From the Supt. Engineer 5th Div.

Dated 8
Recd 5 Oct. 1863

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To enter in the Public Works Establishment for October

The Government see no objection to the Fowkes's application

Forwarded to Mr Fowkes

responding to the notice rarely exceeded a fortnight, I do not remember that there were any Tenders ever submitted to me, out of the limits of the Presidency Town.

3. Two or three years ago, there was considerable difficulty experienced in obtaining the necessary supply, and not only high prices were paid for it, but the Government works were materially retarded by its scarcity. This is not the case at present, for the market is well supplied and the prices although not so low as they were five or six years ago, still they have fallen considerably, and I do not think there will be any difficulty in future in purchasing in the Madras market, all the timber required for Government at reasonable rates.

4. I have repeatedly gone over the Gun Carriage Manufactory and I was undoubtedly impressed with the idea that the ordinary quality of Timber purchased in the Madras market would not suit for Gun Carriages or other similar purposes, as I have seen a very fine log rejected, on account of a very slight flaw, and which would not in my opinion have rendered it unfit for use in the Public Works Department. The timber at the Gun Carriage Manufactory, after being sawn up is generally kept, I believe, for three years in seasoning sheds, and it may be easily inferred how particular the Superintendent of that Establishment is, when such great care is taken to have the semi-wrought's perfectly seasoned before they are brought into use. Moreover there are various discriptions of Timber imported from Burmah for the Gun Carriage Department which are not as a rule to be found in the Madras market, so I can readily understand that while no special agency is in the least degree required to procure Timber for the Public Works Dept, that something of the sort is absolutely necessary for the Gun Carriage Manufactory.

5. I should be very much opposed to the Establishment of a Government Agency for the supply of Timber as regards the Public Works, for with our present limited Establishments, we find it indispensably necessary to [illegible]

all descriptions of Timber work out on contract, and for the last year and a half at the Presidency the plan has answered admirably, whereas if the timber was supplied to us in its rough state, we should again have to encounter many of the difficulties that beset us, when we attempted to manage by our own limited agency, large work shops and when the exact cost of a cubic foot of wrought Timber could never be exactly ascertained, and even if it were, the lapse of time was so great, as to make it useless, our bills having to be rendered quarterly for works above 2000 Rs or for minor works on their completion.

6. There are so many traders and brokers at the Presidency anxious to supply Timber, that so far, in my opinion, from the purchasing of it by each Department being detrimental to the interests of Government I believe that competition among the traders tends to lower prices at the present time, whatever may have been the effect two or three years ago, when there was a scarcity of it in the market

I have &c.

H. W. Wilkins Lt Col. R.E.

P.W. 1863 Depte
Pro-for October
No. 4129

From,

The Superintg. Engineer 5th Dn.

To,

The Secretary to Govt.
P.W. Dept.

Dated 9th
Recd 14 3 October 1863.

No. 1006

Reporting on the purchasing &c. of Timber, in reply to the order of Government of 22nd September 1863.

Vide Mis Rec 59 of Oct 63

Superintending Engrs. Office
No. 3039 4th Dn.

Madras 24 October 1863.

From,

Lieutenant Colonel A. J. M. Boileau R.E.
Superintending Engineer 4th Dn.

To,

Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir,

Enclosure
One Statement

With reference to Proceedings of Government No. 2762 dated 22nd September 1863, and your Memo: No. 60 dated 14th Instant, I have the honor to forward a Statement exhibiting the various opinions of the Range Officers in the 4th Division on the questions propounded by the Controller of Military Finance in his letter dated 16th September 1863 D.

2 At the Presidency and Saint Thomas's Mount, Teak Timber is procured generally from Contractors who undertake not only to supply the wood, but also to work and put it up.

Similarly, some of the Officers of Ranges in the Madras and North Arcot Districts, matter

make use of Contractors to obtain the wood, leaving it to be wrought and put up by the Department. Others simply depute Agents to proceed to the Presidency to purchase on their behalf. Common wood is ordinarily purchased at the nearest market.

3 Teakwood and Palmyrahs are obtained by all Range Officers requiring them from Madras. Common wood from the Jungles of Padavett and Mulucaddoo, Chendragherry and Palmanair.

4 As a rule no difficulty is experienced in obtaining the requisite supply of Teak Timber at the Presidency, but some exists in purchasing it "seasoned".

For Jungle wood in the Districts long notice has to be given.

Palmyrahs are becoming difficult to procure in Madras.

5 There is no wood ~~else~~ in the Local Markets (other than Madras) which any of the Range Officers consider suitable for Gun Carriages. If the names of the woods used for that purpose were made known to the various Officers they would ~~be~~ then probably be able to report whether

whether such exist in the Jungles in their respective Ranges.

6 The Officers at the Presidency and those near it generally deprecate the establishment of a general Government Agency for the purchase of Timber, and advocate the continuance of the present system of each Department obtaining its own supplies.

Those Officers however who are further removed, and who feel the disadvantages which they labour under, in having to depute Agents to purchase for them, often at high rates, naturally look favorably on the scheme.

7. My own opinion is that a Government Agency would certainly have one advantage over the present system, Viz^z procuring timber at a cheaper rate than can be done at present; but I fear that, however well conducted, it might be the means of placing barriers in the way of this Department obtaining wood readily which do not now exist, and so of hindering, instead of facilitating, the object in view.

8 The difficulties felt by the Officers in the Mofussil may be got over by their getting the

the Presidency Range Officers to act for them in making their purchases.

9. The present system although somewhat more costly than that which it is proposed to substitute for it, should, I think, remain undisturbed..

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servt

Surst. Genl's Office
Lt. Nd Dv.
Madras 24th October 1863

A Forbes Lieut. Col R.E.
Superintending Engineer 4th Dv.

To,
Colonel C. A. Orr R. E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

of P.W. 1863 Depr
Pos-for October
From No. 4345

The Superintending Engineer
4th Division

To,

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Deptt

Dated 24th
Recd 27th October 1863.
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No. 3039.

Forwards a statement shewing the opinions of the several Range Officers in the 4th Division on the question proposed in the Proceedings of Government No. 2762 dated 22nd Septr 1863 on the best mode of supplying —

Vide Minute 69 of Oct/63

Replies to Questions put in Proceedings of Government No. 2762 dated 22d September 1863 regarding the best mode of supplying timber for the Public Works Department.

Questions.		Answers.
1st In what way is Timber procured for the Department for works in your Ranges?	Residency. — Executive Engineer Southern Range	From one or more Suppliers who are in fact Contractors and give timber at a fixed rate wrought & put up.
	Residency. — Asst Engineer Fort Range.	1 Bought from the Commissariat Department. 2 do in open Market. 3 do from individuals, who either Contract for single works or for a period of time. Chiefly in the last way.
	Residency. — Assistant Engineer North Range	By contract for the supply of wrought timber, the price per Cubic foot including all charges for working and fixing.
	Madras District. — Executive Officer No 1 Range	From Local Market * This is no reply to the question A.B.
	Madras District. — do do Mount Range, No 2 Range	Principally from Contractors, but also in small quantities from the Local Market.
	Madras District. — do do No 3 Range	Through Contractors generally speaking
	North Arcot District. — do do Polur Range	From Madras, no timber being obtainable here fit for use, unless common jungle wood * This is no reply to the question A.B.
	North Arcot District. — do do Chendragherry Range	Country wood from the wood Merchants near Tirputty Hills & Teak &c from Madras Merchants
	North Arcot District. — do do Vellore Range	It is purchased at the nearest Market in such quantity as is required for immediate use in the Range
	North Arcot District. — do do Wallajah Range	On sanction being obtained for works on which Timber is required generally an Agent is deputed Madras for the necessary supply, this is the most economical proceeding under present circumst
	North Arcot District. — do do Chittoor Range	Is supplied by Contractors when a large quantity of timber is Required and a small quantity is purchased by the Department
	Residency. — Executive Engineer Southern Range	From the local Market
	Residency. — Asst Engineer Fort Range	Chiefly from Burmah
	Residency. — do do North Do	From ——— do

Questions		Answers.
2nd From whence is it obtained	Madras District — Executive Officer No 1 Range	Madras.
	Madras District — Executive Engineer No 2 Range	do
	Madras District — Executive Officer No 3 Range	do
	North Arcot District — Do Do Polur Range	Teakwood from Madras Common woods from the Jungles of Padiwedu & Mulicadoo
	North Arcot District — Do Do Chendragherry Do	From Madras Market, as there are no Teak & Seasoned Country wood logs procurable in this Range.
	North Arcot District — do do Vellore Range	If Teakwood be required it is purchased in the Madras Market; if a small quantity of Country wood is only wanted, it is procured from the Local Markets
	North Arcot District — do do Wallajah Range	From Madras.
	North Arcot District — do do Chittoor Range	From different Jungles such as Chendragherry and Palmoneir
	Residency — Executive Engineer Southern Range	I believe not; the only difficulty experienced is in obtaining "seasoned" timber as the local market does not keep wood on hand, beyond the Ordinary demand
	Residency — Asst Engineer Fort Range	Difficulty was experienced about two years ago in procuring an adequate supply. It is improbable that this will be the case again
	Residency — Do Do North Do	None whatever
	Madras District — Executive Officer No 1 Range	None, lately very little is used in the 1st Range
	Madras District — Executive Engineer No 2 Range	None whatever
3rd Is there any difficulty experienced in obtaining the necessary supply	Madras District — Executive Officer No 3 Range	do

Questions.		Answers.
Presidency. — North Arcot District.	Executive Officer — Polur Range	There is, unless an advance be given.
	do — do — Chendragherry Range	Yes, locally considered, but not in getting from Madras.
	do — do — Vellore Range	None whatever
	do — do — Wallajah Range	Generally none; but only at exorbitant rates.
	do — do — Chittoor Range	Timber is not readily cut in Jungles to meet the sudden requirements of the Department, but when needed previous notice must be given to Contractors who thereupon proceed to the Jungles and procure the necessary supply.
	Executive Engineer Southern Range	The wood is suitable, but for this purpose, it requires seasoning for some time; The wood as brought out of the market could probably never be used at once for Gun Carriages.
	Assist Engineer — Salem Range	Not competent to say. Special arrangements are required to procure first class teak, which is scarce in the Madras Market.
	Do Do North Range	It is very good for building, & no doubt would be suitable for Gun Carriages but no means of judging.
Madras District.	Executive Officer No 1 Range	Yes judging from the description of logs seen in the Market.
	Executive Engineer No 2 Range	Yes.
	Executive Officer No 3 Range	Yes if Teakwood is suitable
North Arcot District.	Do — Do — Polur Range	No
	Do Do Vellore Range.	No
	Do. — Do. — Chendragherry Range	No
	Do — Do — Wallajah Range	None in local Market
	Do — Do — Chittoor Range	do do

1/ If obtainable in the Local Market is it of a quality suitable for Gun Carriages.

Questions			Answered
5th Would there be any advantage to Government in the Establishment of a General Government Agency for obtaining supplies of Timber for all Departments &c.a	Madras District.	Executive Engineer Southern Range	There would be no advantage, but the contrary. Govt would incur all risk, & there would be the necessity of establishing work Yards. One General work Yard would not satisfactorily supply different Departments and branches of one Department while again, Separate work yards under each Officer requiring a supply of timber, will not be profitable; besides entailing Supervision, together with a complicity of accounts, and adding to the general duties of the Officer concerned.
		Asst. Engr. Fort Range	There would be no advantage in keeping an Establishment for obtaining 2d & 3d Class timber, such as is ordinarily used. with regard to timber for Carriage Factories and Ship building the case may be different.
		Do Do North Range	None whatever
		Executive Officer No 1 Do	No
		do do No 2 Do	The timber might by this arrangement be supplied at a cheaper rate but not to any great degree. but it would certainly lead to great deal of trouble in procuring the material. Indents returned 3 or 4 times for previous alterations. possibly plans & sections of beams &c.a required. to say nothing of certain altercation regarding quality of timber
		do do No 3 Do	There will be great advantage in a Govt Agent taking the place of the Merchant, if the demand for timber be continuous, otherwise one Officer may be appointed to purchase for all Departments in their market.
	North Arcot District.	do do Polur Do	If Red, & Black wood, also other descriptions of Country wood are used in any way by Govt there would be an advantage as the above is to be had in abundance
		do do Vellore Do	No; timber procured by Agency for the use of the Department is generally speaking more costly in price, and inferior in quality to that purchased in the Market by the Department direct.
		do do Chendragherry Do	Very great advantage. Seasoned and suitable wood could then be procured at a proper rate.
		do do Wallajah Do	Great advantage as the Government Agent would then be on the look out. Superior Timber at Market rate might be expected at all times.
		do do Chittoor Do	The Establishment of a General Agency for obtaining supplies will not only be advantageous to Government but will also prevent any delay in the prosecution of works.

Questions			Answers.
6th Would it be better to continue the present system of each Department obtaining its own supplies under its own arrangements, the only objection to which appears to be that it will lead the different departments to bid against each other?	Madras Dist. — Presidency	Executive Engr Southern Range	Yes it is a monopoly only that can command a raised price; but in an open Market, one Government Department should endeavour to obtain its supply on the most favorable terms (by making the Merchants bid against each other in reducing their prices) and not offer a higher price, to ensure its supply at a particular time.
		Assistt Engr Fort Range	Yes each department should obtain their own supplies: but precautionary measures should be adopted by which Officers in the Mofussil obtaining supplies from Madras may be guarded from paying above the Market price for such supplies owing to them being necessarily unacquainted with the prevailing prices.
		do North Range.	Decidedly; so far as this range is concerned.
		Executive Offr No 1 Range	It would be convenient for Departments if they had a Depot to indent upon, for two roughts, and half-wroughts as required at a fixed rate.
		Ex: Engr No 2 Do	Most decidedly.
		Ex: Offr No 3 Do	No, the objection to this Plan is stated in the question, and may be exemplified by the high prices obtaining in the vicinity of Railway works owing to that Department & the D.P.W bidding against each other.
	North Arcot District.	do do Polur Range	By all means each Department should obtain its own supplies.
		do do Vellore Do	Certainly Departments bidding against each other, could be easily avoided.
		do do Chendragherry Do	Very objectionable to continue the present system; if would were procurable from a Government Agency and there would be no bidding of one Department against another.
		do do Wallajah Do	A general Government Agency would be far preferable
		do do Chittoor Range.	The discontinuance of the present system would prove much better and put an end to the bidding of different Departments against each other.

Supg Engrs Office
4th Division
Madras
October 1863.

H Brickall Lieut: Col: R.E.
Supg Engineer 4th Division.

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Public Works Dept.

No 169

To

The Controller of
Military Finance

Sir

I have the honor to
forward copies of the
letters noted in the margin
from the Superintending
Engineers 1st and 5th Divn,
furnishing full information
on the several points re-
ferred to in para 3 of your
letter dated 16th Septr 1863
(D). Both of these Officers
are aware to the Establish-
ment of a General Govern-
ment Agency for ob-
taining supplies of timber
for the Department,
and form of opinion

that

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Enclosure in a letter from
the Superintg Engineer
4th Division to the Secy
to Govt. P.W.D. dated
Colombo 1863. No

Extract

Refers to questions put
in Proceedings of Govt
No 2762 dated 28th Sept. 1863
regarding the best mode of
supplying timber for the P.W.D.

trial for the reasons
stated by them the
present arrangement should
remain undisturbed.

29th October/63
Chesham

To The Controller of Mills
Inst[itution]s 2 Enclosures

Dept. 29th October

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