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Government of Madras.

*Public Works* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,  
29th February 1864.*

Read the following letters:—

No. 613. From Captain H. L. PRENDERGAST, R. E., Officiating Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 30th January 1864, No. 2,377 A.

SIR,

- 1 "Appropriation Return" for August 1863.  
1 Letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, No. 18, dated 18th January 1864.  
1 Do. do. No. 263, dated 20th November 1863, two to be returned.

1. In pursuance of the instructions contained in the 4th clause of paragraph 4 of G. O. No. 3,761, dated 19th December 1863, I have the honor, in submitting the "Appropriation Return" of this Presidency, for August 1863, to make the following remarks.

2. "Minor new works" have been entered immediately below works from the "Reserve," in the body of the document; and, in the abstract, the totals have been shown separately. From the abstract it will be observed that, up to August 1863, Rupees 3,31,212 have been appropriated from the "Reserve" towards

|                           |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
|                           | Rs.             |
| "Original works" .. .. .  | 3,31,212        |
| "Minor new works" .. .. . | 40,806          |
| "Repairs" ... .. .        | 19,291          |
| Total..                   | <u>3,91,309</u> |

"Original works," Rupees 40,806 for "Minor new works," and Rupees 19,291 for "Repairs," or an aggregate of Rupees 3,91,309 as a debit against the Budget allotment of Rupees 5,70,000.

3. Under the head "Current repairs" in the abstract, the amount previously sanctioned has been reduced by Rupees 4,553, as shown in the margin. The reductions have been made at the request of the local Officers, whose letters on the subject are herewith forwarded.

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|                                                                            | Rs.          |
| 1,530 Letter to Government No. 2,327, dated 21st January 1864.             |              |
| 23 Lieutenant-Colonel Anderson's letter No. 263, dated 20th November 1863. |              |
| 3,000 Do. No. 18, dated 18th January 1864.                                 |              |
| Total                                                                      | <u>4,553</u> |

4. Of the numerous references that have been made by this Department to the Superintending Engineers, regarding their Appropriation Returns for August 1863, there is one which remains unanswered up to this date, viz., to the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, asking explanation as to the Major General Commanding the Division having sanctioned an Estimate of 900 Rupees for the work marginally indicated, when by paragraph 12, Chapter XXIV of the New Public Works Code, he is at liberty to sanction repairs to Military works only up to 500 Rupees. This is an irregular sanction which I should bring to notice, under paragraph 2 of Colonel Strachey's Circular\* No. 105, dated 13th October 1862. To avoid delay, I now send up the return without the Superintending Engineer's reply.

\* Communicated with Proceedings of the Madras Government No. 2,715, dated 12th November 1862.

5. In accounting for the late date of the submission of this Return, I beg to state that the local list last received (from the 6th Division) only came to hand on the 18th of this month (January).

No. 614. From Captain H. L. PRENDERGAST, R. E., Officiating Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 18th February 1864, No. 2,537:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, the "Appropriation Return" of the Madras Presidency, for September 1863, prepared in accordance with the instructions contained in paragraph 4 of G. O. No. 3,761, dated 19th December 1863.
- 1 Appropriation Return of this Presidency for September 1863.  
1 Memorandum from the Controller (to be returned).  
1 Letter from the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, No. 1,603, dated 21st January 1864.

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|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Reserve, ... ..                                 | Rs. 5,70,000 |
| Amount appropriated up to September 1863 ... .. | 4,66,923     |
| Balance remaining...                            | 1,03,077     |

2. The total amount appropriated up to September 1863, from the "Reserve" Fund was Rupees 4,66,923, thus leaving a balance of Rupees 1,03,077 available for the remaining seven months of the official year.

3. The following deductions have been made in the abstract, under the head "Current Repairs," at the request of the Superintending Engineer; "amount previously sanctioned.":-

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| Entered in August's "Appropriation Return" ...                                                                             | Rs. 15,41,941 |
| <i>Deduct.</i>                                                                                                             |               |
| "Repairs to Travellers' Bungalow at Kalkadda," entered in June's Return to be struck out ... ..                            | 150           |
| Difference of Estimate of repairing Kokintly large tank entered in May's Return as Rupees 399 instead of Rupees 312 ... .. | 87            |
| As per paragraph 7 of Controller's Memorandum No. 1,409, dated 7th September 1863...                                       | 39            |
|                                                                                                                            | 276           |
|                                                                                                                            | 15,41,665     |

4. The column headed "No. of Estimate" is not filled in throughout the Return, the reason of this being that the Superintending Engineers have left that column blank in the Returns that they send to this Office, but the General return is not now kept back for want of this information.

\* Vide paragraph 21 of Major Chesney's Circular No. 39 of 1862.

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|--------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Amount appropriated up to September 1863, ... .. | Rs. 1,20,865 |
| Amount allowed in the Budget of 1863-64 ... ..   | 1,07,087     |
| Excess ... ..                                    | 13,778       |

5. I have to bring\* to the notice of Government that in the Trichinopoly District, the amount appropriated under the head "Current Repairs," up to September 1863, has exceeded the Budget allotment by Rupees 13,778, as shown in the margin.

6. Captain Bean's letter explaining how this excess has occurred, is herewith forwarded.

7. The last of the local Returns received (Trichinopoly) came to hand on the 26th ultimo, hence the delay in the submission of this Return.

No. 615. ORDER THEREON, 29th February 1864, No. 606.

1. The letters above recorded give cover to the Appropriation Returns for August and September 1863.

2. From the Return for September the Government observes that the total amount appropriated up to the 30th idem, from the Reserve Fund was Rupees 4,66,923, leaving an available balance of Rupees 1,03,077 on the 1st October last.

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|------------------------|------------|
| Original works... ..   | Rs. 60,751 |
| Minor new works ... .. | 1,403      |
| Repairs... ..          | 13,460     |
|                        | 75,614     |

3. The sums entered below are given in column 1 of the abstract at the foot of the Return for September. The correct figures are those marginally noted.

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Original works ... ..  | Rs. 60,786 |
| Minor new works ... .. | 1,368      |
| Repairs ... ..         | 13,460     |
|                        | 75,614     |

4. In the Return for August Rupees 179 are shown to have been appropriated to the Adamcottah and Mullapooram road. On reference to Proceedings No. 131, dated 17th January 1863, quoted opposite to the work, it is observed that permission was granted for its prosecution

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from the General Funds of the Salem District, but as that Order ceased to have effect after the 30th April 1863, the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, is requested to explain under what authority the sum of Rupees 179 was appropriated in August last.

5. The estimated cost of the "completion of the road from Cuddapah to Madras," for which Rupees 11,856 are shown to have been appropriated, should have been entered in the Statement.

6. In the Return for September, the work marginally noted is entered under two heads, viz., "General" below "Civil Administration" and "Communications" below "Public Improvement." The appropriation under the first head is Rupees 207, and under the second head Rupees 143.

The necessity for these two separate entries should be explained.

7. The Government will await the receipt of the reply to the reference stated to have been made to the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, on the subject of the Estimate amounting to Rupees 900 sanctioned by the Major General Commanding the Division.

8. With reference to paragraph 5 of the second of the letters recorded above, Captain Bean's attention will be requested to the last paragraph of the Proceedings of Government No. 490, dated 18th February 1864.

9. As the Appropriation Returns for four months, viz., from October 1863 to 1st January 1864, are overdue, the Superintending Engineers will be requested to expedite the submission of their Statements to the Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.

10. Ordered that the Register be forwarded to the Government of India with a copy of these Proceedings,

(Here enter No. 607, dated 29th February 1864.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,  
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers of Divisions.  
,, Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Office of the Controller and  
Audr. of P.W. Accounts  
Madras 30<sup>th</sup> January 1864

N<sup>o</sup> 2377-A

From  
Captain H.L. Prendergast R.E.  
Off<sup>r</sup> Controller and Audr. of P.W.  
Accounts

To  
Colonel C.A. Orr R.E.  
Secretary to Government M.D.

Sir

In pursuance of the in-  
structions contained in the 4<sup>th</sup> clause

of para. 4 of G.O.  
N<sup>o</sup> 3761, dated 19<sup>th</sup>

December 1863, I have  
the honor in submit-

ting, the "Appropri-  
ation Return"

of this Presidency

1. "Appropriation Return"  
for August 1863.

2. Letter from the Superintending Engineer  
to the Division N<sup>o</sup> 18 dated 18<sup>th</sup> January 1864.  
D<sup>o</sup> N<sup>o</sup> 263  
dated 20<sup>th</sup> November 1863/ two to be  
returned

for August 1863, to make the following re-  
marks:-

2. "Minor New Works" have been  
entered immediately below works from the  
"Reserve" in the body of the document;  
and, in the abstract, the totals have  
been shown separately. From the abstract  
it will be observed that, up to August 1863,  
Rupees

Ruppes 331212 have been appropriated from the "Reserve" towards "Original Works" Ruppes 40806 for "Minor New Works,"

"Original Works" 331212  
 "Minor New Works" 40806  
 "Repairs" 19291

Total — 391309

and Ruppes 19291 for "Repairs," or an aggregate of Ruppes 391309 as a debit against the Budget allotment of Ruppes 570,000

Under the head "Current

Repairs," in the Abstract, the amount previously sanctioned has been reduced

by Ruppes 4553, as shown in the margin.

The reductions have been made at the request of the local Officers, whose letters on the subject are herewith forwarded.

Rs 1530 Letter to Government No. 2324 dated 21<sup>st</sup> January, 1864

23 Lt. Col. Anderson's letter No. 263 dated 20<sup>th</sup> November 1863.

3000 Q. No. 18, dated 18<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1864.

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4. Of the numerous references that have been made by this department to the Superintending Engineers, regarding their Appropriation Returns for August 1863, there is one which remains unanswered up to this date, viz. to the Superintending Engineer 6<sup>th</sup> Division, asking explanation as to the Major General Commanding the Division, having

White and the working the other such Hospital and military of H. Magistrate 105<sup>th</sup> Regt. including repairs to barracks and hospitals in places — 900 Ruppes

having sanctioned an Estimate of 900 Ruppes for the work marginally indicated, when by para. 12, Chapter XXIV of the New Public Works Code he is at liberty to sanction repairs to military works only up to 500 Ruppes. This is an irregular sanction which I should bring to notice, under para. 2 of Colonel Strachey's Circular No. 103, dated 13<sup>th</sup> October 1862. To avoid delay, I now send up the re-

Communicated with Proceedings of the Madras Government. 17<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 15 dated 12 November 1862.

After without the Superintending Engineer's reply...

5. In accounting for the late date of the submission of this return, I beg to state that, the local list last received from the 6<sup>th</sup> Division only came to hand on the 18<sup>th</sup> of this month (January)

Office of the Controller and Audr. of P. & M. Accounts Madras, 30<sup>th</sup> January 1864

I have the honor to be Sir Your Most Obedt. Servt. H. S. Sunderpatt Captain

Off<sup>r</sup> of Contr. and Audr. of P. & M. Accounts

Col. C. A. Orr P.E. Secretary to Government W.D. Mr. H. B. Puffley

Office of the Contr. and Aud.  
of M. Accounts  
Madras 18<sup>th</sup> February 1864

No 2537

From  
Captain M. L. Prendergast P.E.  
Off<sup>r</sup> Controller and Aud<sup>r</sup> of M. Accounts

To  
Colonel C. A. Orr P.E.  
Secretary to Government  
Public Works Department

Sir,  
I have the honor to forward

for submission to Government, the "Ap- propriation Re- turn" of the Madras Presidency for September 1863,

prepared in accordance with the instruc- tions contained in para: 4 of G. O. N<sup>o</sup> 3761 dated 19<sup>th</sup> December 1863.

2. The total amount appropri- ated up to September 1863 from the "Reserve fund" was Rupees 4,66,923, thus leaving a balance of Rupees 1,03,077 available for the

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| amts appropriated | 570,000         |
| September         | 4,66,923        |
| remaining         | <u>1,03,077</u> |

remaining 7 months of the of the Official year..  
The following deductions have been

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1864  
To the Secy to Govt. of M. A.  
Dated 30<sup>th</sup> Dec: 4 Jany: 1864  
G. O. N<sup>o</sup> 2374A  
Forwarding the Appropriation Return of the Presidency for August 1863 and 27<sup>th</sup> Jan'y the cause of delay in its submission.

1864 No 297 Secretary

been made in the abstract, under the head "Current Repairs," at the request of the Superintending Engineer S. Amount previously sanctioned

Entered in August's Appropriation Return — 154,194.1

Deduct

"Repairs to Travellers Bungalow at Kallakadda entered in June's return. to be struck out — 152.

Difference of Estimate of repairing Kottimilly large tank entered in Major's return as Rupees 399 instead of Rupees 312 — 87

As per para. 7 of Cont. Memo N<sup>o</sup> 1409, dated 7<sup>th</sup> September 1863 — 39.

276.

154,166.5

The column headed "N<sup>o</sup> of Estimate" is not filled in, throughout the return, the reason of this being, that the Superintending Engineers have left that column blank in the returns that they send to this Office but the General return is not now kept back for want of this information.

I have to bring to the notice

of Government that in the Trichinopoly District, the amount appropriated under the head "Current Repairs" up to Sep.

tember 1863, has exceeded the Budget allotment by Rs 13778, as shown in the margin.

|                                             |                |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Amount appropriated up to September 1863 —  | Rupees 120,865 |
| Amount allowed in the Budget of 1863 1864 — | 107,087        |
| Excess —                                    | 13,778         |

Captain Bean's letter explaining how this excess has occurred, is herewith forwarded.

The last of the local returns received / Trichinopoly / came to hand on the 26<sup>th</sup> ultimo; hence the delay in the submission of this return.

Office of the Controller and Audr. of M. Accounts  
Madras, 18<sup>th</sup> February 1864

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedt. Servant.

Hendrick de Jager Capt. R.E.  
Off<sup>r</sup> Cont. and Audr. of M. Acc.

To Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.  
Secretary to Government  
M.D.

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1864

Forwarding the  
Appropriation Return  
of the Marshes Division  
for September 1863 and all  
things to notice some  
matters on the part of  
Indian Affairs Engineer

Dec 1863  
Feb 1864  
No 2537

The Secy to Govt

The Offg Contr & Asst  
of the Marshes

John J. ...  
No. of ...  
1864

No 606 Public Works Dept  
Proceedings of the Marshes Government

Under date the 29<sup>th</sup> Feb 1864

Read the following paper  
from the Offg Contr & Asst

Regarding the "appropriation return"  
of this Presidency for August 1863 &  
explaining the cause of delay in  
its submission

948. 30<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1864. No 2377

Do. Do. -  
Regarding the "appropriation  
Return" of the Marshes Presidency  
for Sept/63 & bringing to notice some  
matters on the part of the  
Superjrs

948. 18<sup>th</sup> Feb/64 2537

The ~~two~~ letters above,  
recorded give over to the  
Appropriation Returns for  
August and September  
1863.

From the Return  
for Sept the Jost observes  
that the total amount  
appropriated up to <sup>the</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>  
taken from the Reserve  
Fund is Rs 4,66,923,  
leaving an available  
balance

balance of Rs 103,077 on the 1<sup>st</sup> October last.

The sums entered below are given in column 1 of the abstract at the foot of the return for Sept. The correct figures are those finally noted.

|                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Original unRs.  | 60751       |
| Minor new unRs. | 1103        |
| Repairs         | 1346        |
|                 | <hr/> 75611 |

|                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Original unRs.  | 60786       |
| Minor new unRs. | 1368        |
| Repairs         | 13460       |
|                 | <hr/> 75614 |

In the Return for August Rs 179 are shown to have been appropriated to the Adaman-cottah and Mulla-puram road, on reference to No. 131, id/17<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1863 quoted opposite to the

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with it is observed that permission was granted for its prosecution from the General funds of the Salem Dist, but as that order ceased to have effect after the 30<sup>th</sup> April 1863 the Supergr S<sup>d</sup> is requested to explain under what authority the sum of Rs 179 ~~subscribed for~~ was appropriated in August last.

The estimated cost of the "completion of the road from Cuddapah to Madras" for which Rs 11856 are shown to have been appropriated,

I should have been entered  
in the statements

In the Return  
for Sept, the sum of \$100,000  
marginally noted, is entered  
under two headings "General"  
"Civil Administration"  
and "Communications"  
below "Public Improve-  
ment". The appropriation  
under the 1st head is  
\$220,000, and under the  
2d head \$143,000.

It is necessary for these  
two separate entries should  
be explained.

The Govt. will  
await the receipt  
of the reply to the reference  
stated to have been  
made to the Supergrn

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Repairs to the  
wells Bungalows  
at Vennichandy  
Madras.

Vide para 6 of  
Conty letter no. 2377a

6<sup>th</sup> Lon<sup>g</sup> on the subject of  
the Estimate amounting  
to Rs 900<sup>sanctioned</sup> by the Major  
General Commanding  
the Div<sup>n</sup>.

With reference to  
para 5 of the second of  
the letters recorded above,  
Capt. C. B. Beam's attention  
will be requested to the  
last para of the Pro.  
of 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. No 490, 8/18"  
Feb/64

As the appropriation  
Returns for 4 months,  
viz from Oct/63 to 1<sup>st</sup>  
January 1864 are over-  
due, the Superjrs  
will be requested to  
expedite the submission  
of their statements to  
the Contr. & Aud<sup>r</sup> of VA accounts

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Ordered that the  
Register be forwarded  
to the Govt of India  
with a copy of these  
Papers

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The Supper of our  
Conte & Anti Slavery With 3 Letters & 1 Memoir  
Ded. 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

of W. 1864 Depts  
Pro: of Govt. for July

No 606.

Pro: of the Mount  
of 29 July/64

Giving Cover to the  
Appropriation Return  
for August & Sept  
1864. Received from the  
Treasury

No 613. @ 615