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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th April 1865.*

No. 283. Read the following letter from Captain J. MULLINS, R. E., Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department of Public Works, dated Madras, 6th April 1865, No. 235:—

SIR,

1. With reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 of my letter, No. 224 of the 11th ultimo, I have the honor to forward a letter, No. 146 of the 20th idem, from the Agent and Manager Irrigation and Canal Company, explaining that the expenditure exhibited against the Budget allotment for Plant and Stores includes stores purchased in the Divisions as well as at Madras, as also Store and Workshop charges, and applying for the transfer, from "Construction" to Stores and Plant, of Rupees 70,000 in addition to the transfer of 1 lac already made under the sanction given in Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 3,240 of the 12th November last.

2. But a very small portion of the expenditure Rupees 2,08,999, shown as incurred on Plant and Stores in the Statement for January, was made on sanctioned Indents, and recent correspondence with the Agent has shown me that a very large amount of expenditure, which ought to have been at once charged to "Construction," has been debited to "Stores," thus making the outlay under the latter head appear much larger than it should be; and, moreover, occasioning in many instances an apparent, though not real, infringement of the rules regarding the purchase of stores on sanctioned Indents only. It would seem also that while some of the Executive Officers have been purchasing stores for immediate use on works, in exact conformity with their instructions on the subject, the system, under which the abstract accounts have been hitherto prepared in the Agent's Office, has led to expenditure being improperly debited to Stores, though made on Construction. Mr. Henslowe is arranging for the prevention of such mistakes for the future, and I hope that before long the accounts will be placed on a proper footing.

3. Under the circumstances above noticed, I would recommend that the Agent's application be granted, and that Rupees 70,000 be transferred from Construction to Stores and Plant.

* Rupees 2,00,000.

† Or rather Plant and Contingencies.

4. As in the Budget for 1865-66 one item* has been entered for Stores† and Plant, and this item must provide for

Store and Workshop charges, which do not always require previous sanction, as well as for stores which should be obtained on sanctioned Indents only, I have requested the Agent to state how he would wish the one allotment to be sub-divided and apportioned to Store charges, Workshop charges, and Stores and Plant respectively, and this arrangement will facilitate matters for the future.

No. 284. ORDER THEREON, 19th April 1865, No. 1,032.

ACCOUNT, No. 41.

1. The Government sanction the transfer of Rs. 70,000 from the head of "Construction" to that of Stores and Plant in the Budget of expenditure on account of Guaranteed Enterprise.

2. Steps should be taken for preventing the recurrence of such mistakes as are noticed in paragraph 2 of this letter.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company.
„ Manager for do. do.
Exd. S. T. Augustin.

N^o 235

Consulting Engineers Office,
Irrigation and Canal Co.,
Madras 6th April 1865

From

Captain John Mullins R.E.
Cons Engineer & Co.

The Secretary to Government
Department of P.W.

Sir,

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2. But a very small portion of the expenditure Rs 208,999 shown as incurred on Plant and Stores in the statement for January was made on sanctioned indent, and present correspondence with the Agent has.

and in letter N^o above referred.

has shown me that a very large amount of expenditure, which ought to have been at once charged to "Construction", has been debited to "Stores", thus making the outlay under the latter head appear much larger than it should be, and moreover occasioning in many instances an apparent, though not real, infringement of the rules regarding the purchase of stores on sanctioned indents only. It would seem also that while some of the Executive Officers have been purchasing stores for immediate use on works, in exact conformity with their instructions on the subject, the system, under which the abstract accounts have been hitherto prepared in the Agent's Office, has led to expenditure being improperly debited to Stores, though made on Construction. Mr. Huslowe is arranging for the prevention of such mistakes for the future, and I hope that before long the accounts will be placed on a proper footing.

3. Under the circumstances above noticed I would recommend that the Agent's Application be granted and that Rspees 70,000 be transferred from Construction to Stores and Plant.

4. As in the Budget for 1865/66 one item has been entered for Stores & Plant ^{Rspees 200,000} and ^{for other Plant and Contingencies.}

and this item must provide for Stores, and Workshop, Charges, which do not always require previous sanction, as well as for Stores, which should be obtained on sanctioned indents only. I have requested the Agent to state how he would wish the one allotment to be subdivided and apportioned to Store charges, workshop charges, and Stores and Plant respectively, and this arrangement will facilitate matters for the future.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt^t servant

Colonel Munro, Captain R.
Cons. Genl. for Jy. Co.

Compd. Sd.

Wm. L. G. Jones
Chgo. 11/20/1883
Dear Sir
I enclose for you
the Secretary Report Nov.

Oct 6
Recd 10 } *April 1885*

E. L.

Aug 1032-1924

Forwarded to 11/14/67
20 items explaining that the
expenditure for plant & other
includes things purchased in
the previous as well as at
the same time

Wm. L. G. Jones

Account
1902
The Government sanction the

transfer of \$270,000 from the Fund
of "Construction" to that of "Store and
Plant in the Budget of expenditure,
account of Bureau and Intending

Mr
for preventing the recurrence of such
mistakes as are noticed in Canada
of this letter.

Start of 1902
1902

Wm. L. G. Jones
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