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6th April 1865.*

No. 97. Read the following letter from Captain J. F. FISCHER, R. E., Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 22nd February 1865, No. 2,500 :—

SIR,

1. In forwarding the Appropriation Return for the month of October 1864, I have the honor to state that this Office copy of the return was closed prior to the receipt from the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, of his return for the Tinnevely District, and which was returned for revision on the 9th January 1865, and was not received back until the 18th instant. It will be included in the return for November 1864, now under compilation.

2. I beg also to forward the reviews of the Accountant General, Public Works Department, on the returns for June and July 1864, with his reply to the observations made in my letter* to his address, dated 11th January 1865, No. 2,152, in which he desires that the Government should discontinue the appropriations of grants in fractions of Rupees. In the present return appropriations of small sums on account of "Tools and Stores" have been entered, as desired in paragraph 2 of Major Chesney's letter No. 57.

3. The assignments for maintenance of specific lines of road will be shown, as directed in paragraph 2 of Government Order, 12th January 1865, No. 91, on the return for November 1864.

4. In the present return attention has been paid to the requirement in paragraph 1 of G. O. 2nd February 1865, No. 308.

5. An excess, Rupees 4,802, appears in the present return in the appropriations made under the head Agricultural over the balance at its credit, and Rupees 1,224 under Civil Buildings. I request the orders of Government for transferring these and such further excesses as may appear in the next and succeeding returns to the head "Military," or from such other head as there may be a surplus in.

From Major G. CHESNEY, R. E., Accountant General, Public Works Department, to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, Madras, dated Fort William, 5th January 1865, No. 16 :—

SIR,
I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Madras Monthly Appropriation Return for June 1864, and to offer the following remarks thereon.

AGRICULTURAL.
Arkencottah channel, Coimbatore, Rupees 2,630.
COMMUNICATIONS.
Chinnanowkara bridge, Coimbatore, Rupees 24.

December 1864, these reductions of credit should be exhibited in future returns in the manner suggested therein.

1. The aggregate grant for Major Works has been reduced by the items of credit detailed in the margin. For the reasons set forth in paragraph 2 of my letter, No. 885, dated 14th December 1864, these reductions of credit should be exhibited in future returns in the manner suggested therein.

2. The grant of Rupees 2,000 made for the work as per margin, estimated to cost Rupees 10,510, has been exhibited under heading 'Minor Works Agricultural' instead of 'Major Works Agricultural.' This error should be rectified in your Budget Register, as well as in the next Appropriation Return.

3. The aggregate of the items comprising the appropriations made during the month for Minor Works Agricultural, is shown in Part II. of the return as amounting to Rupees 21,038,

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whereas in the abstract at end of Part III. it is exhibited as Rupees 21,253. The difference of Rupees 215 is caused by the correction of an item* having been made in the former without being carried out in the latter. This should be done in the next Appropriation Return.

* Constructing an aqueduct across the Kota Voikal for the supply of Paramenpettah lands.

4. An assignment of Rupees 500 has been made from the grant for Minor Works Communications for purchase of Captain Nelson's house at Bailooty, without the object to which it is intended to apply that building being stated.
5. The assignment of Rupees 318, made from the grant for repairs for Market house at Kotagherry, Coimbatore, has been placed under the heading 'Communications.' The correct classification of this grant would appear to be "Miscellaneous Public Improvement."
6. In the abstract at end of the return it is unnecessary to fill in the columns headed 'Appropriations authorized against grants' for Major Works.

From Major G. CHESNEY, R. E., Accountant General, Public Works Department, to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, Madras, dated Fort William, 16th January 1865, No. 57.

SIR,

The Madras Monthly Appropriation Return for July 1864 having undergone examination in this Office, I have the honor to draw your attention to the following remarks.

1. Under heading Major Works Agricultural an appropriation of Rupees 2,830 appears for Arkencottah channel, Coimbatore, the source from which this assignment has been made being stated as 're-appropriated.' On reference to previous returns, I find that the sum in question comprises a reduction of credit made in June 1864 from the grant for the work to which the present re-appropriation has been made, but which reduction not being apparently susceptible of being carried out, has necessitated its being written back. This fact should have been recorded against the entry under notice in order to have made it intelligible.

2. I observe that under the heading Tools and Stores appropriations ranging from Rupees 2 to Rupees 12 are represented to have been made for carriage of Tools and Stores. These assignments, when the estimated cost of the anticipated charge is under Rupees 200, can, for the future, be entered in the aggregate, but the necessity for assigning such small sums is doubtful, and might be discontinued with advantage, in cases where they are not likely to throw out to any considerable extent the balances available for appropriation.

3. An appropriation of Rupees 600 from the grant for Repairs Agricultural for Agundacaveri Sibbundies has, I notice, attracted the attention of the Government of Madras, as not being in its nature a clear charge, and which the Superintending Engineer should be required to explain. I request to be favored with a note of the decision of the Government of Madras on this explanation.

4. The grant of Rupees 358, made for repairs to the quarters of the Military Students of the Civil Engineering College, has been placed under the heading Military. The proper classification of this appropriation would have been under Civil Buildings.

From Major G. CHESNEY, R. E., Accountant General, Public Works Department, to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, Madras, dated Fort William, 30th January 1865, No. 95.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 2,152, dated 11th January 1865, and with reference to the last paragraph thereof, to inform you that the folio in your Budget Register to exhibit the unapplied grants and the appropriations made therefrom will answer the purpose of keeping sight of these grants.

2. I however notice that appropriations have been made from this assignment in fractions of Rupees. It would be well to submit to the Government of Madras the advisability of discontinuing this procedure, as being troublesome and unnecessary.

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From Captain J. F. FISCHER, R. E., Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Major G. CHESNEY, R. E., Accountant General, Public Works Department, Calcutta, dated Madras, 22nd February 1865, No. 2,499.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters marginally noted, relative to the Appropriation Returns rendered from this Office.

5th January 1865, No. 16.
16th do. " " 57.
30th do. " " 95.

2. The transfer from Minor to Major Works, alluded to in paragraph 2 of your letter No. 16, will be made in the next return from this Office.
3. The difference of Rupees 215, referred to in paragraph 3 of the same letter, was corrected in July's return, and a note to that effect was made in the abstract for that month.
4. The grant of Rupees 500 in June's return for the purchase of Captain Nelson's house in Bailooty is for a public bungalow; and the assignment of Rupees 318 for a market house at Kotagherry was transferred in the return for August 1864, to the head "Miscellaneous Public Improvement."
5. A copy of the Proceedings of Government No. 83, dated 11th January 1865, on the subject of paragraph 3 of your letter No. 57, is herewith forwarded.
6. With reference to paragraph 4 of the same letter, and to paragraph 7 of your letter No. 885, dated 14th December 1864, I request to be informed whether the grants referred to therein are to be transferred to the heads alluded to in the next return from this Office.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. F. FISCHER, Captain, R. E.,
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No. 98. ORDER THEREON, 6th April 1865, No. 937.

ACCOUNT No. 12.

1. The Appropriation Return for the month of October 1864, received with this letter, will be forwarded to the Accountant General Public Works Department.
2. The appropriations up to the end of October are shown below:—

To Major Works	Rupees 4,51,176
To Minor Works	" 2,16,046
To Repairs... ..	" 11,76,484

3. Opposite to certain items in Part I. the remark "from unappropriated grants" is entered. In future returns the Controller will be requested to specify the allotments from which such appropriations are made.

4. In G. O. No. 3,020, dated 20th October 1864, sanction was granted for an expenditure of Rupees 1,457-8-7 on account of "Tools and Stores" being met from the allotment under that head. In the present return, Rupees 1,285 only are shown to have been appropriated, the difference (Rupees 173) having, it is believed, been entered in the return for July.

Building Buttresses, and taking down and re-roofing the Guard and Prison Rooms of the B. Battery, Bellary. Completing the approaches on both sides of the Iron Bridges on E. H. Level Channel, Godavery. Constructing a road Dam of 88 feet on Trunk Road No. VI, near Guntoor, for the passage of surplus water from Black Tank, Kistna.

5. The items noted in the margin, which are entered in Part III., appear properly chargeable to the allotment for New Works; but before passing final orders, the Government request to be furnished with the opinion of the Superintending Engineers concerned.

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6. Authority is granted for the excesses referred to in paragraph 5 being adjusted in the manner proposed by the Controller.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Accountant General, Public Works Department, with Appropriation Return.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Superintending Engineers.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Office of the Controller of
P.W. Accounts
Madras 22nd February 1865

N^o 2500.

From
Captain J. F. Fischer R.E.
Controller of P.W. Accounts

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

Encls. 5.
1st 16-508 9581
5th 16-508 30th
Jan'y 1865.
2nd 22nd Jan'y 1865 112499
3rd 22nd Jan'y 1865 112499
4th 22nd Jan'y 1865 112499

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I beg also to forward the Review of the Accountant General P.W.D. in the Returns for June and July 1864 his reply to the observations made in my letter to

Letters from Accountant General P.W.D.
dated 5th 16th and 31st January 1865
nos 16-57 and 95.
To 2nd dated 22nd Feby/65 112499

* Vide Government Order of 23rd Jan'y 1865
N^o 212.

to his address dated 11th January 1865 N^o 2152 in which he desires that the Government should discontinue the appropriations of grants in fractions of Rupees. In the present Return Appropriations of small sums on account of "Tools and Stores" have been entered as desired in para 2 of Major Chesney's letter N^o 57.

3 The assignments for Maintenance of Specific Lines of road will be shown as directed in para 2 of Government Order 12th January 1865 N^o 91 in the Return for November 1864.

4 In the present Return attention has been paid to the requirement in para 1. of G. O. 2nd February, 1865 N^o 308.

5 An excess Rupees 4,802 appears in the present Return in the Appropriations made under the head Agricultural over the balance at its credit and Rupees 1224 under Civil Buildings. I request the orders of Government for transferring these and such further excesses as may appear in the next and succeeding Returns to the head "Military"

or from such other head as there may be a surplus in.

Office of the Comptroller of
M. Accounts
Madras 22nd Feby, 1865.

Have the honor to be
Sir,

Your Most Obedtst Servt.

Captain R.

Comptroller of M. Accounts

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

Account

Public Works Dept

No 937

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Under date the 6th April 1865.

Read the following

From the Controller of P.W. accounts

Submits appropriation

Returns for October 1864 and (Fore-cast 22nd January 1865
letters from the Accountant Genl.
P.W.D. on the subject of previous
Returns. Rs 2500)

The Appropriation
Return for the month of
October 1864 received with
this letter will be forwarded
to the Accountant Genl.
P.W.D.

2. The appropriations up
to the end of October are
shown below.

To Major Works - 4,51,176
.. Minor Works - 2,16,046
.. Repairs - 11,76,484

27th 1865
P.W.D. Office

From
The Controller of P.W.
Accounts

To
The Secy. to Govt P.W.D.

Date 22nd April 1865
B.D. Rs 2500

Submitted to
Honble Secy. to Govt P.W.D.
for
Orders and letters
from the Accountant Genl.
P.W.D. in the subject of
previous Returns.

27th 1865
P.W.D. Office

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items in Part I the remark

"From unappropriated
grants" is entered. In
future Returns the Con-
troller will be requested
to specify the allotments
from which such ap-
propriations are made.

In J. O. L. 3020,
dated 20th October, 1864,
sanction was granted
for an expenditure of
Rs. 1457-8-7 on account
of "Tools and Stores" being
met from the allotment
under that head. In
the present Return, Rs. 1285
only are shown to have
been

Building Bulbrees, &
taking down & re-roofing
of the Guard & Prison
Rooms of the 2nd Battery

Bellary.
Completing the Approaches
on both sides of
the Iron Bridges on
E. H. Level Channel

Godavery.
Constructing a road (Dam
of 88 feet on V. R. 126
near Gunton for the passage
of surplus water from
Black Tank to Krishna

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difference (Rs. 173) having,
it is believed, been entered
in the Return for July.

The items noted in
the margin, which are
entered in Part III, ap-
pear properly chargeable
to the allotment for New
Works, but before passing
final orders, the Govt
request to be furnished
with the opinion of the
Superintendents concerned.

Authority is granted
for the excesses referred to
in para 5 being adjusted
in the manner proposed
by the Controller.

To the Asst. Secy. Govt.
with app. Return
To Controller with letters.
To Supergrants
Sent 7th April.

C. B.

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Appropriation
Return for the month
of October 1864 forwarded
to the Accountant General
P. W. D.

N^o 97. 98.