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Government of Madras.
Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 53. Read the following letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 17th August 1866, No. 1,373 :—

2 Statements. 1. I have the honor, with reference to paragraph 89, Section II, of the Manual of Accounts for this Presidency, to forward herewith a statement of objectionable items in the accounts of the 4th Division, showing items in which excesses have occurred over appropriations, the excess in each case being above 500 Rupees. *Vide* paragraph 90, Section II, of the Manual, and G. O. No. 2,413, dated 19th August 1865. The statement also shows works on which expenditure has taken place without grants or appropriations for them, in which are included works undertaken on emergency without estimate and without appropriations or grants, at the foot of this statement are entered three works, for which grants were given by Government, but for which no estimates were sanctioned, and these come under the items of unauthorized appropriations, referred to in paragraph 22, Section I, Chapter XX, Government of India Code.

2. I have also to forward another statement showing works in which excess have occurred *on expenditure over estimates*. These excesses are above the power of sanction vested in this Office under the Madras Code, viz. :—

- I. Works up to 500 Rupees without reference to the excess.
- II. Works between 500 and 2,000 Rupees not more than 100 Rupees excess.
- III. All other works above 2,000 Rupees, 5 per cent. excess.

3. The above powers of sanction were used in passing bills up to 1864-65, but under the new system of accounts, whereby a monthly audit and clearance is laid down as the guiding principle, no limitation is given as to excesses to be allowed by this Office in expenditure. Paragraph 88, Section II, of the Manual, requires the statement of objectionable items to include all excesses or probable excesses, but fixes no proportion or per-centage up to which such excesses may be admitted in this Office.

4. In authorizing the items of excess now brought to notice in this statement to be passed finally here, I request that the Government will be pleased to state whether the Rule in the Madras Code is to be adopted in reporting all future excesses, or whether the limitations in paragraph 7, Section VII, Chapter III, of the Code of the Government of India is to be adhered to in future.

5. The total of the items of excess over allotments amount to Rupees 13,814, and those of expenditure without grants to as much as Rupees 35,932, both of which do not include items below 10 Rupees each. The numerous works undertaken without authorized grants or allotments, as well as the large excesses over allotments, in some cases are apparently owing to the permission frequently given to Superintending Engineers to proceed with works for which funds were applied for but not granted at once, and for which a promise was held out that appropriations would be made later in the year from savings or surplus funds which may be forthcoming in other Districts. Superintending Engineers too appear to have been thus tempted to make appropriations themselves for repair works in excess of the authorized allotments in anticipation of savings about the end of the year, but which

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were not fully realized. It appears to me that these practices are not clearly authorized by the Budget Rules, and would seem to be opposed to the principles laid down in Section I, Chapter XX, of the Government of India Code.

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6. The Statements now forwarded are not strictly in accordance with the Form given in Part II of the Appendices to the Code of the Government of India, Section 2, Chapter XX. As the reply of the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to the enquiries respecting each of the items in these statements was simply that there were no funds wherefrom appropriations can be made for them, and I thought it unnecessary to repeat the same reply opposite each item.

Statement of objectionable items in the Accounts of the Fourth Division for the year 1865-66.

Work.	Amount of Estimate.		Allotment.		Amount of Expenditure.		Excess over allotment.		Expenditure without allotment.		Total of each Range.		Remarks.
	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	
PRESIDENCY. No. 1 or Fort Range. <i>Repairs.</i> Repairing the picottah and platforms, also raising the eastern wall of well No. 4 for supplying water to the upper compartment of Clive's cistern at Seven Wells' Water Works.	450	0 0	...	...	448	9 5	...	...	448	9 5	...	...	
Repairing the north-west Lunette bridge in Fort Saint George.	Emergent.		...	...	384	3 0	...	...	384	3 0	...	...	
Whitewashing and repairing the walls and floors, also repairing the doors and windows, &c., of the quarters attached to the Quarter Master H. M.'s Rifle Regiment.	100	0 0	...	...	99	4 7	...	...	99	4 7	...	...	
Repairing and whitewashing the walls, and painting the doors and windows of the Officers' Mess-house in the Fort.	180	0 0	...	...	178	14 9	...	...	178	14 9	...	...	
Making thorough repairs to the walls, floors, &c., and also painting doors and windows of the quarters occupied by the Barrack Sergeant in the Fort.	132	0 0	...	...	131	12 2	...	...	131	12 2	...	...	
Repairing accoutrement peg and wooden plugs of both rooms attached to the European Infantry Barracks, Fort St. George.	14	0 0	...	...	14	0 0	...	...	14	13 10	...	...	
Cutting the bar of the Cooum river near the Marine Villa.	...		...	...	40	9 9	...	...	40	9 9	...	...	
Total ...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	1,298	3 6	1,298	3 6	Fort Range.
No. 2 or Northern Range. <i>New Works.</i> Putting up iron net work shutters to the windows of the godown now occupied by the Stores of the Executive Commissariat Depot.	Emergent.		...	...	95	0 0	...	...	95	0 0	...	...	

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Repairing Tannah No. 45.	11	0	0	...	...	11	0	0	...	11	0	0	Southern Range.
Repairing Brodie Castle Tannah No. 48.	21	0	0	...	...	20	9	10	...	20	9	10	
Repairing Tannah No. 38, Saint Mary's Burial Ground.	18	0	0	...	...	17	9	6	...	17	9	6	
Repairing wooden rails from Wallajah bridge to Band stand.	...	...	...	...	...	152	13	8	...	152	13	8	
Stopping embankment between Saint Mary's and Hospital bridge.	720	0	0	...	...	162	1	4	...	162	1	4	
Laying bed for lathe in Presidency Store and Workshop.	Emergent.	...	...	...	...	30	13	4	...	30	13	4	
Laying foundation for boiler in do.	...	...	...	...	...	165	12	9	...	165	12	9	
Laying bed for Planning Machine in do.	...	...	...	...	...	170	10	0	...	170	10	0	
Do. do. Engine in do.	...	...	...	...	...	107	15	2	...	107	15	2	
Constructing Smiths fire place at do.	...	...	...	...	...	706	14	9	...	706	14	9	
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,447	13	0	8,526 14 6
Total PRESIDENCY ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,409 1 1
MADRAS. No. 1 OF SERALLOOR RANGE. <i>New Works.</i>													
Constructing a new calingulah and three 12-yards sluices to Peralore tank.	1,230	0	0	608	0	0	1,230	0	0	622	0	0	
Do. compound walls to wells sunk at Red Hills.	76	0	0	...	...	...	76	0	0	...	...	...	
<i>Repairs.</i>													
Emergent repairs to Keelavoor tank bund.	276	0	0	...	...	...	276	0	0	...	...	...	
Repairing injuries done to Trunk Road No. 6, through Narnaveram river overflowing and injuring 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and 26th miles.	1,572	0	0	...	...	...	1,572	0	0	...	...	...	
Removing sand off road deposited on seven different places during the late gale, and repairing ruts for 1 mile 908 yards in length and 7½ feet in breadth with gravel, &c., to Ennore road.	2,000	0	0	...	...	...	1,546	0	3	...	...	...	
Filling gaps and gulches on the Pulicat road.	167	0	0	...	...	...	119	8	6	...	...	...	
Emergent repairs to road from Travellore to Nagalapuram.	808	0	0	...	...	...	808	0	0	...	...	...	
Repairing Garrison Hospital at Tripasore....	22	0	0	...	...	...	22	0	0	...	...	...	
Total...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	622	0	0	5,041 8 9 Seralloor Range.

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Work.	Amount of Estimate.		Allotment.		Amount of Expenditure.		Excess over allotment.		Expenditure without allotment.		Total of each Range.	
	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.
MADRAS.—(Continued.) No. 2 or MOUNT RANGE.												
<i>New Works.</i>												
Constructing a covered and open masonry drain from the tunnel south-west of Saint Thomas' Church to the open drain near the Instruction Depot.	1,510	0 0	957	0 0	1,586	11 11	629	11 11	...			
Do. an open masonry drain from the drain of the north Barracks Family Quarters to the masonry open drain opposite the Instruction Depot at Mount.	340	0 0	...		335	8 0	...		335	8 0		
Do. Bengal roof verandah to Military Secretary's Bungalow at Guindy Park.	1,100	0 0	...		1,099	9 4	...		1,099	9 4		
Do. do. to Private Secretary's do.	300	0 0	...		358	15 3	...		358	15 3		
Do. latrine in the compound of Collector's Office at Home's Garden.	600	0 0	...		413	7 4	...		413	7 4		
Do. Office at Home's Garden.	13,981	0 0	8,923	0 0	10,151	7 4	1,228	7 1	...			
Water Supply to Guindy Park	64	0 0	...		61	0 0	...		61	0 0		
<i>Repairs.</i>												
Ventilating Cook-room of Hospital at Poonamallee.	445	0 0	...		444	0 0	...		444	0 0		
Do. Guard-room of E. V. Company at Paveram.	...		...		...		...		...			
Total ...	...		...		...		1,858	3 0	2,712	7 11	4,570	10 11
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No. 3 or POONAMALLEE RANGE.												
<i>New Works.</i>												
Constructing two sluices to Authanur tank.	200	0 0	...		200	0 0	...		200	0 0		
Re-constructing 14-yards sluice to Kuravinaly tank.	200	0 0	...		257	5 4	...		257	5 4		
<i>Repairs.</i>												
Emergent repairs to Parandah tank Calingulsh.	31	0 0	...		31	0 0	...		31	0 0		
Do. Karupen Cadoopetty Coodoo tank ...	...		...		199	2 10	...		199	2 10		
Total ...	...		...		...		...		687	8 2	687	8 2
												Poonamallee Range.

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No. 4 or CHINGLEPUT RANGE.	Amount of Estimate.		Allotment.		Amount of Expenditure.		Excess over allotment.		Expenditure without allotment.		Total of each Range.	
	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.	ES.	A. P.
<i>New Works.</i>												
Constructing a Taluq Cutcherry at Madrantakam.	13,210	0 0	842	0 0	2,752	4 11	1,910	4 11	...		2,199	14 10
<i>Repairs.</i>												
Closing breaches in the Madiembakum tank.	Emergent.		...		120	1 9	...		120	1 9		
Do. in Ahtoor tank	...		...		49	1 5	...		49	1 5		
Repairing Karanaghar Chattri Chittary	...		...		104	9 3	...		104	9 3		
Repairing salt land from Cheyoor to Chitpakum.	Emergent.		...		15	13 6	...		15	13 6		
Total...	...		...		...		1,910	4 11	289	9 11	2,199	14 10
No. 5 or EAST COAST CANAL.												
<i>New Works.</i>												
Excavating two cross channels at the south end of No. 2 and at the north end of No. 3 Salt channels at Kalton on emergency.	1,720	0 0	...		1,689	11 0	...		1,689	11 0		
Do. a new salt channel at Vayaloor	1,330	0 0	...		...		...		...			
Do. do. at Attigut	642	0 0	...		...		...		...			
Do. do. at do.	890	0 0	...		...		...		...			
Do. do. at Vulloor	3,380	0 0	3,309	0 0	8,864	0 0	5,555	0 6	...			
Deepening and widening the salt channel at Pooludvakum.	4,410	0 0	...		...		...		...			
Excavating No. 3 Salt channel at Vadamchummenchary.	2,060	0 0	...		...		...		...			
<i>Repairs.</i>												
Repairing Superintendent's Cutcherry at Cochran's Basin.	510	0 0	...		510	0 0	...		510	0 0		
Do. salt channels at Kovelong and Kalumbakum on emergency.	850	0 0	...		789	8 0	...		789	8 0		
Do. at Vadachummenchary do.	250	0 0	...		181	13 8	...		181	13 8		
Do. at Vayaloor do.	9,700	0 0	...		9,316	2 8	...		9,316	2 8		
Do. at Madras Salt Kotars	715	0 0	...		680	0 0	...		680	0 0		
For deepening the river Adyar near Mowbray's garden on emergency.	420	0 0	...		416	0 0	...		416	0 0		
Filling in breaches and tuffing the west and east banks of Southern Canal in the first three miles from Adyar.	2,910	0 0	736	0 0	2,636	13 10	1,900	13 10	...			

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Statement of objectionable items in the Accounts of the Fourth Division for the year 1865-66. — (Concluded.)

Work.	Amount of Estimate.		Allotment.		Amount of Expenditure.		Excess over allotment.		Expenditure without allotment.		Total of each Range.	
	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.
Presidency ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North Arcot ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Works undertaken without regular estimates.</i>												
Making a small Equatorial Dome ...	...	...	1,370	6 11	...	1,369	14 11	...	...	...	...	...
Erecting a Tower at the Observatory ...	...	...	474	6 0	...	474	13 5	...	...	...	...	...
Repairing a Door at the Main channel ...	...	...	1,983	0 0	...	1,979	1 8	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	...	...	3,827	12 11	...	3,823	14 0	...	...	...	...	...

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

MADRAS,
17th August 1866

Statement of Excesses over sanctioned Estimates.

Work.	Amount of Estimate.		Allotment.		Amount of Expenditure.		Excess.		Remarks.
	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	
Repairing the Hall of the Government Central Museum ...	2,475	0 0	2,951	0 0	2,951	0 0	476	0 0	
Do. Camveram Anicut, &c. ...	2,595	0 0	2,595	0 0	2,754	13 7	159	13 7	
Constructing Privy in No. 3 Barracks, Palaveram ...	860	0 0	860	0 0	1,029	7 1	169	7 1	
Fort Ditch at Poonamallee ...	2,250	0 0	2,250	0 0	2,395	0 11	145	0 11	
Water supply to Guindy Park ...	13,981	0 0	13,981	0 0	15,209	9 10	1,228	9 10	
Repairing North Barracks at Mount ...	1,380	0 0	1,380	0 0	1,623	4 9	243	4 9	
Do. South Barracks at do. ...	1,350	0 0	1,350	0 0	1,540	13 5	190	13 5	
Do. Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry at Poonamallee ...	2,250	0 0	2,250	0 0	2,365	3 1	115	3 1	
Do. Principal building at Government House, Guindy ...	1,020	0 0	1,070	0 0	1,147	8 6	127	8 6	
Road from Codumbakum to Sydapett ...	400	0 0	400	0 0	609	15 4	209	15 4	
Madrantakum Taluq Cutcherry...	11,300	0 0	11,300	0 0	13,210	0 0	*1,910	0 0	* Sanctioned on 17th May 1866.
Constructing Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry at Ponganoor ...	2,800	0 0	3,036	10 6	3,036	13 5	236	13 5	
Total...	42,661	0 0	43,422	10 6	47,873	9 11	5,212	9 11	

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

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No. 51. ORDER THEREON, 3rd September 1866, No. 2,797.

ACCOUNT, No. 4.

1. In this letter the Controller submits with reference to paragraph 89, Section II of the Manual of Public

Works Accounts statements of objectionable items in the accounts of the 4th Division.

2. From these statements it appears that the expenditure incurred on works (1) in excess of allotments (2) without allotments, and (3) without estimates, was as follows:—

	In excess of allotment.			Without allotment.			Without estimate.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Presidency	1,447	13	0	8,961	4	1	1,814	12	4
Madras	11,846	6	3	21,732	5	0		...	...
North Arcot... ..	520	0	0	5,238	2	7	1,979	1	8
	13,814	3	3	35,931	11	8	3,823	14	0

3. Captain Fischer is of opinion that the execution of works without allotments, or in excess of the grants assigned to them, is apparently due to the permission which is frequently given to Superintending Engineers, when the Reserve has been fully appropriated and funds cannot immediately be made available by transfer, to proceed with works, leaving the expenditure on them to be adjusted as the year advances. The Government observe that the system referred to was adopted with the view of ensuring the Budget assignment being more fully utilized than it would be if Superintending Engineers were restricted to the execution of works for which a specific provision of funds may have been made. It is doubtless with that object that Superintending Engineers have acted similarly in carrying out repairs; but it is clear that in all those cases in which it may be thought advisable to commence works in anticipation of funds being hereafter available, the necessary adjustments might be effected before the year terminates if the Superintending Engineers carefully watch the expenditure on works and apply for timely authority to transfers. The facilities which the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division possesses for obtaining such sanction to a re-distribution of allotments are great, and the Government are disappointed to find that he omitted to avail himself of them during the past official year. The particular attention of all Superintending Engineers is drawn to the subject.

4. The Controller also submits a statement showing twelve works, the estimates for which have been exceeded, and, as in each case, the excess is larger than he is empowered to admit, he requests the authority of Government to pass the excesses. He points out, at the same time, that under the new system of accounts he is required to include in his statement of objectionable items both actual and probable excesses, no limitation being prescribed, and he desires to be informed whether he is in future to be guided by the provisions of the Madras Code (Section 1, paragraph 12, Chapter IV) or of the Bengal Code (Section 7, paragraph 7, Chapter

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III). The Controller will be informed that the limits prescribed in the Madras Code should be adhered to in the audit of expenditure, and when those limits are exceeded, the explanations of the Superintending Engineers should be laid before Government.

5. With these remarks His Lordship in Council resolves to authorize the Controller to pass the objectionable charges entered in the statements submitted by him.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineers.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Statement of Objectionable items in the accounts of the 14th Division for the year 1845-46.

Presidency

<i>Work</i>	<i>Amount of Estimate</i>	<i>Amount of Excess or</i>		<i>Total</i>
		<i>of allotment</i>	<i>without allotment</i>	
		<i>Rs. & P.</i>	<i>Rs. & P.</i>	<i>Rs. & P.</i>
<i>No. 1 or Fort Range.</i>				
<i>Repairing the Piccolah and Platfarms - also raising the cistern walls of well N^o 4 for supplying water to the upper compartment of Oliver's cistern at seven wells & water works</i>	450	" " "	448 9 5	" " " 448 9 5
<i>Repairing the north West Lunette bridge in Fort St. George</i>		" " "	384 3 "	" " " 384 3 "
<i>White washing and repairing the walls and floors, also repairing the doors and windows &c. of the Quarters attached to the Quarter Master St. M^o 60th B^o Regiment</i>	100	" " "	99 4 7	" " " 99 4 7
<i>Repairing and white washing the walls, and painting the doors and windows of the Officer's Mess-house in the Fort</i>	180	" " "	178 14 9	" " " 178 14 9
<i>Making thorough repairs to the walls, floors &c. and also painting doors and windows of the Quarters occupied by the Barrack Sergeant in the Fort</i>	132	" " "	131 12 2	" " " 131 12 2
<i>Repairing accountment peg and wooden plugs of both rooms attached to the European Infantry Barracks Fort St. George</i>	14	" " "	14 " "	" " " 14 13 10

Work	Amount of Estimate	Amount of over or under	Estimated amount of work
Collecting the bar of the Coom river near the marine lines	40 99	" "	40 99
	Total	" "	1298 3 6
N° 3 or Southern Range			
New Works			
Putting up iron net work barriers to the windows of the gardens near occupied by the stores of the Executive Commissioner's Office	95	" "	95
	Emergent	" "	95
Repairs			
Repairing flat of 25 sq. m. at gunpowder	99 3 10	" "	99 3 10
Repairing five pieces at money Choultry	60 3 6	" "	60 3 6
Repairing the walls of the roof and preparing the plaster of the walls of the Church of St. Peter's Town	110 1 3	" "	110 1 3
Stopping the leakage in the roof of the small house and graveling the yard of the same	186	" "	186
	Emergent	" "	186
N° 3 or Southern Range			
New Works			
Repairing the doors of the High Court	18 7 5	" "	18 7 5
Repairing the side of Grand Jail	14 11 10	" "	14 11 10
	Total	" "	583 15 1
N° 3 or Southern Range			
New Works			
Erecting a Presidency store and Workshop	80360	" "	27160
Making certain alterations to Controller's Office	2790	" "	1719139
	Emergent	" "	1719139
Erecting a semi-terraced verandah in	1740	" "	1500
Triphucane Dispensary	35 13	" "	35 13
Taking section of Coom bar and river		" "	
Repairs		" "	
White washing principal building No. 1 in Govern-		" "	
ment House	237	" "	1963 11 5
Repairing Police Inspectors' Bungalows - Royapet		" "	219 9 9
Putting up Corbally kidge in compound of shop of Eng. Office		" "	14
Repairing Duffadar's tank N° 14 in Royapet	16	" "	15 15 5
Repairing tank N° 52	13	" "	11 10
Repairing mud tank N° 30	41 8	" "	41 3 11

Work.

Work.	Amount of estimate	Excess over allotment	Expenditure without allotment	Total of each Range
Repairing Club-house tank N. 31	Rs. 450	Rs. 450	Rs. 450	Rs. 450
Repairing tank N. 45	11	10	10	10
Repairing Boodie Castle tank N. 18	21	20	20	20
Repairing tank N. 38 at Ganga's Bural ground	18	17	17	17
Repairing wooden arch from Halagah Bridge to Band Stand	"	152	152	152
Stopping embankment between the Ganga and Hospital bridge	720	163	163	163
Laying out for lake in Pond: Store & Workshop	"	50	50	50
Laying foundation for boiler in do	"	155	155	155
Laying out for Pumping machine in do	"	170	170	170
Do Engine in do	"	107	107	107
Constructing Smith's Fire place at do	"	708	708	708
	Total	1117	1117	1117

Total Expenditure Rs. 1109 1 1

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Work	Amount of expenditure	Allotment	Total	Excess over allotment	Expenditure without allotment	Total
New Works	1230	608	1230	622		
Constructing a new Caringulaw and 3 twined yards sluices to Peralore Tank	1230		1230	622		
Constructing compound walls to wells drink at Red Hills	76		76		76	76
Repairs	278		278		278	278
Emergency repairs to Melavar tank bund	278		278		278	278
Repairing injuries done to Trunk road N. 6 thro Naravacaram River overflowing and injuring 22 23 24 and 26 miles	1572		1572		1572	1572
Removing sand off road deposited on 7 different places during the late gale and repairing ruts for one mile 908 yards in length and 1/2 feet in breadth with gravel 1/2 to Ennore Road	2000		2000		1546	1546
Filling gaps and gullies on the Pulicat Road	164		164		1198	1198

Amount of Estimate
 Amount of Expenditure over and above
 of allotment of expenditure

No. 3 or Chittoor Range

Repairing Vapoor 1 st Class Tank	1000	"	"	"	630	"	"	"	630	"	"
Closing breaches and repairing bund of Naba-											
noor tank	1510	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	500	"	"
Emergent repairs to Namalagolapuram Sup-											
ply Channel	150	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1192.7	"	"
Repairing Vapunganur gate	800	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	100	"	"
Total		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	11792.7	"	"

N. 4 or Polur Range

Moortandy tank breach	125	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	95	13.7	"	"
Chittipattam S.	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	21	1.6	"	"
Samotharasam Channel S.	52	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	57	10	"	"
Chittipattam S.	26	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	24	5.5	"	"
Pauly Pallam tank breach	22	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	19	11.1	"	"
Parigipattam tank	44	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	45	15.11	"	"
Mullayoor Chittany do	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	12	2.11	"	"

1991-1992 - large tank	30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	35	6.1	"	"
1992-1993 - large tank	55	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	55	"	"	"
1993-1994 - large tank	22	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	20	4.11	"	"
1994-1995 - large tank	24	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	23	3.1	"	"
1995-1996 - large tank	17	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	17	1.7	"	"
1996-1997 - large tank	47	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	41	8.9	"	"
1997-1998 - large tank	251	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	250	6.5	"	"
1998-1999 - large tank	100	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	99	5.3	"	"
Total		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	814	12.6	"	"

N. 5 or Polur Range

Repairs to Navel Chittany	119	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	119	"	"	"
S. Anasoor Tank	190	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	188	"	"	"
Numbados Tank	218	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	218	"	"	"
Velangopuram tank	160	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	160	"	"	"
Thapundal tank	290	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	290	"	"	"
Polur tank	1500	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1108	3.6	"	"
Total		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2383	3.6	"	"

Total North Arcot 5758 27

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Abstract

Presidency—14,4713 " 89614 1 10,409 1 1
 Madras—11846 6 3 21732.5 " 33578 11 3
 North Arcot—520 " " 5238 2-7 5758 2-7
 13844 3 3 35931 11 8 49745 14 11 Grand Total

Works undertaken without regular Estimates

Building a small Equatorial Dome— " " 1370 6 11 1369 14 11
 erecting a Tower at the Observatory— " " 1474 6 " 1474 13 5
 improving Deeply Main Channel— " " 14783 " " 14779 18
 3827 12 11 3823 14 "

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Captain R. S.

Controller of P. W. Accounts

Statement of Expenditure as sanctioned estimates

Particulars	Sanctioned at Madras	Allocated at Madras	Sanctioned at Bangalore	Expenditure at Bangalore
Repairing the walls of the Government Museum—	2476	2951	2951	476
Repairs to various ancient &c. Constructing wing in S.E. Barracks	2596	2596	2554	159
Palanquin—	860	860	1024	164
Fort ditch at Bonamallee—	2250	2250	2275	145
Water supply to Gandy Park—	1391	1391	15209	1228
Repairs to Barracks at Mount at Bangalore—	1390	1380	1623	243
Refining Sub. Magistrate's bungalow at Bonamallee—	1350	1350	1540	190
Refining Principal Building at Fort St. George—	2250	2250	2365	115
Refining Gandy—	1020	1070	1147	127
Refining Kodumbakuram to Sindapett Kodumbakuram Taluk Cutchery—	400	400	609	209
Constructing Sub-Magistrate's bungalow at Bangalore—	11300	11300	13210	1910
	2800	3036	3036	236
	4261	43422	47873	5212

Sanctioned on 17th Aug 1866

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N^o 1373

From
Captain J. J. Fischer R.E.
Controller of Public Works Accounts

To Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government W.D.
Fort Saint George

Sir,
G. O. 2413

I have the honor with reference
to para 89 Section II of the Manual of accounts
for this Presidency, to forward herewith a state-
ment of objectionable items in the accounts
of the 4th Division, shewing items in which
excesses have occurred over appropriations, the
excess in each case being above 500 Rupees vide
para 90 section II of the Manual and
G.O. N^o 2413 dated 19th August 1865. The
Statement also shews works on which expen-
-diture has taken place without grants or
- appropriations for them, in which are in-
-cluded works undertaken on emergency with-
-out estimate and without appropriations
or grants - at the foot of this Statement are
entered three works for which grants were given
by Government but for which no Estimates
were

Enclosure in a letter from
the Controller of P.W. Accounts
to the Secretary to Government
P.W.D. N^o 1373 dated 17th
August 1866

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Statement of objection-
-able items in the accounts of
the 4th Division for the year
1865-66

were sanctioned, and these come under the items of unauthorized appropriations, referred to in para 22 Section I Chapter XX Government of India Code...

2. I have also to forward another statement shewing works in which excesses have occurred on expenditures over Estimates. - These excesses are above the power of sanction vested in this office under the Madras Code. Vizt. -

- I Works up to 500 Rupees without reference to the excess
- II Works between 500 and 2000 Rupees not more than 100 Rupees excess
- III All other works above 2000 Rupees. 5 percent excess.

3. The above powers of sanction were used in passing bills up to 1864-65, but under the new system of accounts whereby a monthly audit and clearance is laid down as the guiding principle, no limitation is given as to excesses to be allowed by this office in expenditure. Para 88 Section II of the Manual requires the statement of

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of objectionable items, to include all excesses or probable excesses but fixes no proportion or per centage up to which such excesses may be admitted in this office. -

4. In authorizing the items of excess now brought to notice in this statement to be passed finally here, I request that the Government will be pleased to state whether the rule in the Madras Code is to be adopted in reporting all future excesses or whether the limitations in para 7 Section VII Chapter III of the Code of the Government of India is to be adhered to in future. -

5. The total of the items of excess over all amounts amount to Rupees 1,38,14 and those of expenditure without grants to as much as Rupees 35,932. both of which do not include items below 10 Rupees each. - The numerous works undertaken without authorized grants or allotments as well as the large excesses over allotments in some cases are apparently owing to the permission frequently given to Superintending Engineers to proceed with works for which funds were applied for but not granted at once and for which a promise was held out that appropriations would be made later in the year from savings or

or surplus funds which may be forthcoming.
in other Districts. Superintending Engineers
has appear to have been thus tempted to
make appropriations themselves for repair
works in excess of the authorized allotments
in anticipation of savings about the
end of the year but which were not fully
realized. It appears to me that these
practices are not clearly authorized by
the Budget Rules and would seem to be
opposed to the principles laid down in Sec.
tion I Chapter XX of the Government of India
Code. -

6. The statements now for-
warded are not strictly in accordance with
the Form given in part II of the Appen- Form N^o 50.
dices to the Code of the Government of
India Section 2 Chapter XX. As the re-
ply of the Superintending Engineer L^t Di.
vision to the enquiries respecting each of
the items in these statements was simply
that there were no funds wherefrom appro-
priations can be made for them and I
thought it unnecessary to repeat the same
reply opposite each item.

I have the honor to be
Your Most^{ob} Obedt. Servant.
W. A. Fisher Captain R.E.
Controller of M. Works.

17 1866
 No. of Govt. for September
 No. 3399

From
 The Controller of
 P.W. Accounts

To
 The Secy to Govt. (W.D.)
 J.W. St. George

Dated 17th Aug 51. 1866.
 Recd. No. 1373

Forwards a state-
 ment of objectionable
 items in the accounts of
 the 4th Division for the
 year 1865-68 and re-
 quires orders of Govt.
 thereon.

No 53.

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Public Works Department

No. 2797

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT
 Under date the 30 Sept 1866
 Read the following

From
 The Controller of Public
 Works Accounts

(Here enter No. 1373 dated 17th Aug 1866)

In this letter the Controller
 submits with reference to P. 89
 Section II of the Manual
 of P.W. Accounts, statements
 of objectionable items in the
 accounts of the 4th Div.

From these statements
 it appears that the expenditure
 incurred on works (1) in excess
 of allotments (2) without allot-
 ments, and (3) without es-
 timates, was as follows:-

	In excess of allotment			Without allotment			Without Estimate		
Presidency	1447	13	-	8961	4	1	1844	12	4
Madras	11846	6	3	21732	5	1	"	"	"
North Arcot	520	-	-	5238	2	7	1979	1	8
	13,814	3	3	35,931	11	8	3823	14	"

Capt. Fisher is of opinion
that the execution of works
without allotments, or in ex-
cess of the grants assigned to
them, is apparently due to
the permission which is fre-
quently given to Supt. Engrs.,
when the Reserve has been
fully appropriated and
funds cannot immediately
be made available by
transfer, to proceed with the work,
leaving the expenditure on
them to be adjusted as the
year advances. The Govt.
observes that the system referred
to was adopted with the
view of ensuring the Budget
assignment being more fully
utilized than it would be
if S. Engrs. were restricted
to the execution of works
for which a specific provision

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of funds may ^{have} been made.
It is doubtful with that object
that S. Engineers have acted
similarly in carrying out
repairs; but it is clear
that in all those cases in
which it may be thought
advisable to commence work
in anticipation of funds
being hereafter available,
the necessary adjustments
might be effected before the
year terminates if the S. Engrs.
carefully watch the expenditure
on works and apply
for timely authorization to
transfer. The facilities which
the Supt. Engr. of the S. Engrs.
possesses for obtaining such
sanction to a redistribution
of allotments are great, and
the Govt. are disappointed
to find that he is inclined to

avail himself of them during the first official year - the particular attention of all S. Engineers is drawn to this subject.

The Controller also submits a statement showing actual works the estimates for which have been exceeded, and as in each case, the excess is larger than he is empowered to admit, he requests the authority of Government to pass the excess. He points out at the same time that under the new system of accounts he is required to include in his statement of objectionable items both actual and probable excesses, no limits now being prescribed, and he desires to be informed whether he is in future

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated

to be guided by the provisions of the Madras Code (Sec. 1. P. 12 Chapter II) or of the Bengal Code (Sec. 7. P. 7 Chapter III). The Controller will be informed that the limits prescribed in the Madras Code should be adhered to in the audit of expenditure, and when those limits are exceeded, the explanations of the S. Engineers should be laid before Government.

With these remarks His Lordship in Council resolves to authorize the Controller to pass the objectionable charges entered in the statements submitted by him.

To
The S. Engineer
Controller

8/11/17
Desp. 4-Sept

C.B.

J. W. W. & Co.
Pro. of Gen. for Sept.

No. 2194.
Pro. of the Marine Corp.
9/3 Sept 1886

Passing orders
on a letter from the Con-
troller, submitting state-
ments of objectionable
items, &c, in accounts of
the 4th Division for
1866-1886

No 53. 54.

22nd 24th 1886 A. 27th