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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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No. 603. Read the following letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 14th March 1866, No. 3,601 :—

1. I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, the accompanying correspondence with the Superintendent Engineer, 1st Division, and the Assistant Inspector General of Police, [relative to the propriety of a payment of Rupees 800, made by the Public Works to the Police Department in October 1864, and which forms a portion of the unadjusted expenditure in 1864-65 in the Ganjam District.

9 Letters, with three Enclosures.

2. In G. O. 7th April 1864, No. 983, the Government sanctioned a sum of Rupees 800 for expenditure on Police huts in the Ganjam District by the transfer of a similar sum from the Kistna allotment for Police buildings; and in the accounts for that month in the official year 1863-64, a sum of Rupees 600 appears as received from the Superintendent of Police Ganjam for that purpose. This sum was not credited to the Police Department, but to the head "Government," to which head all sums received by the Public Works Department from the Treasury for expenditure on Public Works are credited. From the Superintendent Engineer's letter, No. 595, dated 9th September 1865, it will be seen that Rupees 800 were placed in the Collector's Treasury at the disposal of Captain Philipps, who thereupon drew and credited in his Account Current for April 1864 a sum of Rupees 600; the balance Rupees 200 having been drawn in December 1864. It also appears from the same letter that, agreeably to an appropriation made by the Inspector General of Police in 1864-65, a sum of Rupees 800 was advanced to the Superintendent of Police by the Public Works Department in October 1864, and written off as expenditure in the Ganjam accounts for that month, and that when the Police Officer was called upon to furnish vouchers for the preparation of the necessary bills, that Officer stated that the amount went in adjustment of the 800 Rupees placed to the credit of the Public Works Department in 1863-64.

3. There was nothing at that time to show that the 800 Rupees, placed in the Treasury to the credit of the Public Works Department in 1863-64, was to be considered as a loan from the Police to the Public Works Department. The Government Order of 7th April 1864, and the fact of the money having been drawn from the Treasury in which credit was afforded by the said order, do not in the least lead to such a supposition. It is only the present correspondence which discloses the fact that the 800 Rupees was advanced by the Police Department "from the sums received from Government for the purchase of clothing, &c. The "amount was remitted by the Inspector General of Police from Madras to save "delay in the execution of the works, the official year having nearly expired." What necessity there was for such a such course I do not see, as the Government order was issued in the early part of April.

4. It will be seen from the above, that the Public Works Department has been made to disburse a sum of Rupees 800 in 1864-65 to the Police Department for no work done, and for which there was no proper claim, seeing that it was not necessitated to receive a loan from the Police when the requisite credit on the Treasury was granted to the Public Works Department.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.
27th March 1866.

5. In passing orders on this letter, I beg that the Government will authorize the Accountant General to give credit to the Public Works Department for Rupees 800 of the unadjusted expenditure, without being furnished with a passed bill, which cannot be made out owing to the circumstances herein reported.

No. 604.

ORDER THEREON, 27th March 1866, No. 987.

ACCOUNT, No. 74.

When sanctioning, in Proceedings No. 983, dated 7th April 1864, the diversion of a sum of Rupees 800 from

the allotment for Police Buildings in the Kistna District for appropriation to the construction of huts at Berhampore, the Government clearly intended that the amount was to be made available from Public Works funds, and there was no necessity for the Police Department advancing the money from its own resources in the expectation of a re-imbursement at a future time. As the latter course, however, was adopted, the Accountant General will dispense with a passed bill for the adjustment of the sum of Rupees 800, which is reported to have been paid to the Police Department in October 1864 and written off as expenditure in the accounts of the Ganjam District for that month.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts, with twelve Enclosures.

.. Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

.. Inspector General of Police.

.. Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Office of the Controller
of Public Works Accounts
Madras 12 March 1866.

From
Captain J. D. Fisher R.E.
Controller of P.W. Accounts

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

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the Orders of Government the accompanying correspondence with the Superintending Engineer 1st Division and the Assistant Inspector General of Police, relative to the propriety of a payment of Rupees 800 made by the Public Works to the Police Department in October 1864, and which forms a portion of the unadjusted expenditure in 1864/65 in the Ganjam District.

In G.O. 7th April 1864 No. 983 the Government sanctioned a sum of Rupees 800 for expenditure on Police huts in the Ganjam District by the transfer of a similar sum from the Kistna District allotment for Police Buildings; and in the Account for that month in the Official year 1863/64 a sum of Rupees 600 appears as received from the Superintendent of Police Ganjam for that purpose. This sum was not credited to the Police Department, but to the head "Government" to which head all sums received by the Public Works Department from the Treasury for expenditure on Public Works are credited. From the Superintending

my Engineer's letter No 535 dated 9 September 1865 it will be seen that Rupees 800 were placed in the Collector's Treasury at the disposal of Captain Phillips who thereupon drew and credited in his account current for April 1866 a sum of Rupees 800, the balance Rs 200 having been drawn in December 1865. It also appears from the same letter that agreeable to an authorization made by the Inspector General of Police in 1865/66 a sum of Rupees 800 was advanced to the independent of Police by the Public Works Department in October 1865 and written off as expenditure in the same accounts for that month, and that when the Police Officer was called upon to furnish vouchers for the preparation of the necessary bills, that Officer stated that the amount went in adjustment of the 800 Rupees placed to the credit of the Public Works Department in 1863/64.

There was nothing at that time to show that the 800 Rupees placed in the Treasury to the credit of the Public Works Department in 1863/64 was to be considered as a loan from the Police to the Public Works Department. The Government Order of 7 April 1864, and the fact of the money having been drawn from the Treasury in which credit was afforded by the said order, do not in the least lead to such a supposition. It is only the present correspondence which discloses the fact that the 800 Rupees was advanced by the Police Department from the "sums received from Government for the purchase of clothing &c." The amount was permitted by the Inspector General of Police from Madras.

"to save delay in the execution of the works, the 'official year' having nearly expired". What necessity there was for such a course, I do not see, as the Government Order was issued in the early part of April.

It will be seen from the above that the Public Works Department has been made to disburse a sum of Rupees 800 in 1864/65 to the Police Department for no work done, and for which there was no proper claim, seeing that it was not necessitated to receive a loan from the Police when the requisite credit on the Treasury was granted to the Public Works Department.

In paying Orders on this latter day that the Government will authorize the Accountant General to give credit to the Public Works Department for Rupees 800 of the unpaid expenditure without being furnished with a passed Bill, which cannot be made out owing to the circumstances herein reported.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

Captain R. B.

Controller of P.W. Accounts

Account

Public Works Department

no 987

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Under date the 27th March/66.

Read the following

From the Controller of P.W. Accounts

(Here enter No. 3601 dated 14 March 1866.)

When sanctioning, in
Pro. to go of 7th April. 64, the
diversion of a sum of Rs 800
from the allotment for Police
buildings in the Madras
District for appropriation
to the construction of huts at
Berhampore, the Government
clearly intended that the
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at a future time. As the
latter course, however, was

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no 987 of 14 March 1866

no 1866 of 28 April
no. of Govt. of Madras

From the Controller of P.W. Accounts

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no 3601

Under date the 27th March/66.

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no 1866 of 28 April

no 987 of 14 March 1866

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adopted, the Act General will
discharge with a special Bill
for the adjustment of the
sum of \$1000 which is
reported to have been paid
to the Police (Dept. in Oct
/64 & written off as ex-
penditure in the Accounts
of the General District
for that month.

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To
The Controller of the
S. Eng. & D.
Inspector General
Department of the
Interior

Sept 28 - 1864

P. H. 1865. Department.

Proc. of Govt for March

No 987

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated

27th March/65

The Commission
General. Authorized to dispense
with a part of bill for
the adjustment of Rents
800 which is now diverted
from the allotment for
Police Buildings in the
Districts to the constab-
laries of Police huts & pyramids
25th 1863/64

L. 603. 6th.