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No. 44. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 7th June 1867, No. 828 E:—

1. Your letter No. 1,011, dated 2nd April last, regarding the grading of Talook Overseers in the Madras Presidency, having been laid before the Governor General in Council, I am directed to communicate the following remarks:—

2. It appears to the Governor General in Council that the question at issue is not one of the Budget grant, but whether a gradation of salaries, in the case of the Talcok Overseers, shall be allowed in a way that shall increase the total cost of that establishment or not.

3. The present scale is 187 men, at an uniform rate of 60 Rupees a month each, an arrangement admitted to be faulty. But the Government of Madras propose now to make it:—

				Rs.
60	Overseers	on	... ...	100
60	Do.	on	... ...	80
67	Do.	on	... .	60

the total increase of expense being Rupees 39,540 per annum.

4. These rates agree with those in Bengal and elsewhere under the Government of India, but the *numbers* are greater in proportion, from the fact of their being no Sub-Overseers; the Government of Madras having rejected the suggestion made by the Government of India for the appointment of this grade of Subordinates.

5. If Overseers can be got at an uniform rate of Rupees 60, without increase, it appears to the Government of India that they can be got at 50 Rupees, rising eventually to 100 Rupees.

6. The following is a scale arranged to meet the views of the Government of India:—

				Rs.	
15	Overseers	on	100	1,500	per mensem.
25	Do.	on	80	2,000	,,
40	Do.	on	60	2,400	,,
107	Sub-Overseers	on	50	5,350	,,
187			Total ...	11,250	,,

instead of as at present, 187 Overseers at 60 Rupees 11,220 Rupees.

7. The Madras Government is at liberty to adopt the graded scale above specified, at a monthly cost of Rupees 11,250, giving promotions only as vacancies occur, and are re-placed by Sub-Overseers. Or if so disposed, the Madras Government is at liberty to adopt any other distribution it may consider necessary, provided that the total amount of the monthly cost does not appreciably exceed Rupees 11,250. For instance, it might be preferred to reduce the number of Overseers, and retain Rupees 60 as the lowest pay of the scale, as follows:—

					Rs.
30	Overseers	on	100		3,000
50	do.	on	80		4,000
75	do.	on	60		4,500
155				Total...	11,500

an arrangement admitted to be faulty.—
But

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No. 45. ORDER THEREON, 2nd July 1867, No. 1,961.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 1. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineers.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Capt^n Kennedy.

Erd. S. T. Augustin.

No 8286

Government of India
Public Works Department
Establishment

To
The Secy to the Govt of Madras
Public Works Department

Simla, 7th June 1867.

Sir,

Your letter No 1011 dated 22nd April last, regarding the grading of Taluq overseers in the Madras Presidency, having been laid before the Governor General in Council, I am directed to communicate the following remarks:-

2. It appears to the Governor General in Council that the question at issue is not one of the budget grant, but whether a gradation of salaries in the case of the Taluq Overseers, shall be allowed in a way that shall increase the total cost of that Establishment or not.

3 The present scale is 18 men, at an uniform rate of 60 Rupees a month each, an arrangement admitted to be faulty.-

But

But the Government of Madras propose now to make it

60 Overseers	on	100
60 —D:—	on	80
67 —D:—	on	60

the total increase of expense being Rs 39,540 per annum.

4 These rates agree with those in Bengal and elsewhere under the Government of India; but the numbers are greater in proportion, from the fact of their being no Sub-Overseers. The Government of Madras having rejected the suggestion made by the Government of India for the appointment of this grade of subordinates.

5 If Overseers can be got at an uniform rate of Rupees 60, without increase, it appears to the Government of India that they can be got at 50 Rupees, rising eventually to 100 Rupees.

6 The following is a scale arranged to meet the views of the Government of India:—

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40		60	2,400
107 Sub Overseers		50	5,350
187		Total	11,250

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			Rs
30 Overseers	on	100	3,000
50		80	4,000
75		60	4,500
155		Total	11,500

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed.t Servt.

W Dirom Col R.A.
Secy to the Govt of India

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