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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
28th January 1869.*

No. 515. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 16th January 1869, No. 125.—

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th November 1868, No. 8,416.

Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Collector of Vizagapatam, dated Chetterpore, 7th October 1868, No. 33.

1. I have the honor to return the Bills for Salt works, as per margin, unsigned. My signing the bill would, I infer, lead

1	Repairing the road from the 2nd mile of the Jeypore road by Karasa to Gazuwaka .	756	0	0	Government to suppose that I had not only found correct the mere arithmetic of the bill, but had also compared the bill with "Station Book," "Cash Abstracts,"
1	Do do from Karasa to Gopalapatnam	400	0	0	"Progress Reports," &c., and also examined the vouchers for all payments, but
1	Do Platforms at Karasa and Kuppili .	758	15	2	none of these documents have been sent to me. It might be well if the exact
1	Do Salt pans at Kuppili and the Cutcherry Bungalow at Karasa .	200	5	3	wishes of the Government upon the subject were ascertained, the examination of the vouchers, &c., of these bills could be as well done in your office as in mine, and I hope this extra work will not devolve on the Superintending Engineer, but for him to sign his name to bills sent to him, without these vouchers, is an unmeaning and useless proceeding.

2. If the Department of Public Works are to exercise any real supervision on expenditure on Salt works, it must be done by the executives who now have to examine works on their completion, and this they ought to do with the bill for the works with vouchers, &c, in their hand, which, if considered satisfactory, they would sign.

SUBMITTED, in original, to the Board of Revenue, with reference to Memorandum, dated 10th September 1868.

VIZAGAPATAM,
12th October 1868.

To the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

(Signed) E. C. JOHNSON,
Assistant for Collector.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 4 —Bills.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government, with reference to paragraph 3 of their Proceedings, dated 26th September 1867, No. 2,263, which requires that all bills for works under "Petty Construction and Repairs" should bear the countersignature of the Superintending Engineer. The Board presume that the latter Officer can get what information he needs for countersignature from the Executive Officers.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
28th January 1869.*

Separate Revenue, No 10

Salt

THE Government see no reason to modify paragraph 3 of their Order, dated 26th September 1867, No. 2,263, which requires that the accounts connected

with the execution of Salt works shall be examined and passed by the Superintending Engineers. This rule is actually in force in regard to Public Works executed by the Revenue Officers from the District Road Fund, and the same precaution is not less necessary in the case of Salt works on which Imperial Funds are expended. As the Board remark, it is open to the Superintending Engineers to call for all the necessary information from the Executive Officers, preparatory to passing the bills.

No. 516.

ORDER THEREON, 28th January 1869, No. 257.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 68.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineers

(True Extract)

Colonel, R E,
Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts
To Captain Kennedy

Govt. of 1869 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To.

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

Date: January, 1869

From

G. C. 2nd January 1869 No. 2

JANUARY.

Nos. 515-516

Salt Works.—Proceedings Revenue Department, declining to modify the rule which requires that the accounts connected with the execution of Salt works shall be examined and passed by the Superintending Engineers, communicated to the Officers concerned.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th January 1869.

No. 261. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th November 1868, No. 8,416:—

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1 Do do from Karasa to Gopalapatnam	400	0	0
1 Do Platforms at Karasa and Kuppli	758	15	2
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Mysigning the bill would, I infer, lead Government to suppose that I had not only found correct the mere arithmetic of the bill, but had also compared the bill with "Station Books," "Cash Abstracts," "Progress Reports," &c., and also examined the vouchers for all payments, but none of these documents have been sent to me. It might be well if the exact wishes of the Government upon the subject were ascertained, the examination of the vouchers, &c., of these bills could be as well done in your office as in mine, and I hope this extra work will not devolve on the Superintending Engineer, but for him to sign his name to bills sent to him, without these vouchers, is an unmeaning and useless proceeding.

2. If the Department of Public Works are to exercise any real supervision on expenditure on Salt works, it must be done by the executives who now have to examine works on their completion, and thus they ought to do with the bill for the Salt works, &c., in their hand, which, if considered satisfactory, they would sign.

SUBMITTED, in original, to the Board of Revenue, with reference to Memorandum, dated 10th September 1868.

VIZAGAPATAM,
12th October 1868.

(Signed) E. C. JOHNSON,
Assistant for Collector.

To the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

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No. 262

ORDER THEREON, 16th January 1869, No. 125.

Separate Revenue, No 10.

Salt

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(True Extract)

W. Dalglish

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue
„ the Public Works Department ✓
„ the Accountant General
„ the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

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*Communicated to the
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28th Jan 1869*

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To The Superintendent Eng.

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