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Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th January 1870.*

No. 93. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 14th December 1869, No 3,170 —

Read the following letter from the Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 4th November 1869, No. 8,162.

In accordance with Government Order, 11th October 1869, No. 3,280, (Public Works Department,) communicated to the Board with Government Order, 22nd October 1869, No. 101, the allotment provided in the Revenue Budget for Petty Construction and Repair is to be transferred to the credit of the Public Works Department.

2. No detailed instructions are given, but the Board presume that it will be necessary to furnish the Controller of Public Works Accounts with statements showing the distribution of the allotment and expenditure up to date. This will be done as soon as possible.

3 With regard to sanctioning estimates and manipulating the remainder of the reserve and future savings, the Board wish to know whether they will still retain the power accorded to them by Government Order of the 3rd May 1869, No 1,202, and the 25th May 1869, No. 1,472, or whether applications for funds will be disposed of by Government in the Public Works Department. I am to urge that the Board being intimately acquainted with the requirements of the various salt-stations where the bulk of the allotment is expended, and being immediately interested in the administration of salt-revenue, can best say where economy can be practised as well as where works cannot be postponed without injury to the State.

4. I am also to bring prominently to the notice of Government that this transfer of a large item from the Revenue Budget, which was unknown to the Board when their Proceedings of the 13th October 1869, No 7,646, were passed, seriously affects the calculations contained in those Proceedings.

5. The orders of the Government of India on the subject do not refer to the grants in the Revenue Department, and the works "starred" in the list received from Government as such as should come under the supervision of the Public Works Department, (excluding such as have already been postponed for this year,) will probably not engross more than a quarter of the whole allotment. The audit of the Controller in no way differs in character from the audit of the Board. Under these circumstances I am to submit, that whilst the transfer at present must disturb the financial arrangements of Government, it cannot possibly do any harm if it is postponed to the commencement of the next official year.

Miscellaneous

THE Government observe that, in accordance with the orders issued for the transfer to the Department Public

Works Budget of the provisions for Petty Construction and Repair, the Controller should be furnished with the statements referred to in paragraph 2 of the Board's letter.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th January 1870.*

2. The general control will, however, still remain with the Board of Revenue for the reasons given in their letter, the funds being treated in the same manner as Imperial Funds allotted to Civil Officers for expenditure.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secy. to Govt.

No. 94. ORDER THEREON, 6th January 1870, No. 48.

ACCOUNT, No. 15.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineers and to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, with reference

to G. O, No. 3,280, of the 11th October 1869.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers
,, Major R. B Kennedy
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government Revenue Department,
14th December 1869.*

No 188. Read the following letter from the Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 4th November 1869, No. 8,162:—

In accordance with Government Order, 11th October 1869, No. 3,280, (Public Works Department,) communicated to the Board with Government Order, 22nd October 1869, No. 101, the allotment provided in the Revenue Budget for Petty Construction and Repair is to be transferred to the credit of the Public Works Department.

2. No detailed instructions are given, but the Board presume that it will be necessary to furnish the Controller of Public Works Accounts with statements showing the distribution of the allotment and expenditure up to date. This will be done as soon as possible.

3. With regard to sanctioning estimates and manipulating the remainder of the reserve and future savings, the Board wish to know whether they will still retain the power accorded to them by Government Order of the 3rd May 1869, No. 1,202, and the 25th May 1869, No. 1,472, or whether applications for funds will be disposed of by Government in the Public Works Department. I am to urge that the Board being intimately acquainted with the requirements of the various salt-stations where the bulk of the allotment is expended, and being immediately interested in the administration of salt-revenue, can best say where economy can be practised as well as where works cannot be postponed without injury to the State.

4. I am also to bring prominently to the notice of Government that this transfer of a large item from the Revenue Budget, which was unknown to the Board when their Proceedings of the 13th October 1869, No. 7,646, were passed, seriously affects the calculations contained in those Proceedings.

5. The orders of the Government of India on the subject do not refer to the grants in the Revenue Department, and the works "starred" in the list received from Government as such as should come under the supervision of the Public Works Department, (excluding such as have already been postponed for this year,) will probably not engross more than a quarter of the whole allotment. The audit of the Controller in no way differs in character from the audit of the Board. Under these circumstances I am to submit, that whilst the transfer at present must disturb the financial arrangements of Government, it cannot possibly do any harm if it is postponed to the commencement of the next official year.

No. 189. ORDER THEREON, 14th December 1869, No. 3,170.

Miscellaneous

THE Government observe, that in accordance with the Orders issued for the transfer to the Department Public Works Budget of the provisions for Petty Construction and Repair, the Controller should be furnished with the statements referred to in paragraph 2 of the Board's letter.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
14th December 1869.*

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(True Extract)

H. S. S. S. S.

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Accountant-General.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Dated December, 11th.

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G. O, 14th December, 1869, No 3,170

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Petty Construction and Repair - Passing
orders with reference to the transfer to the Public
Works Budget of the provisions for these works

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Communicated to the
Superintending Engineer,
and the Justice of the
Peace with reference
to G. O. N. 3280 of the
11th October 1869 -

Forf. Secy
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The Sup. Engineer
Major R. B. Kennedy
Justice of the Peace

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PUBLIC WORKS.

Further Provisions
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To
The Superintending Engineer

Dated

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Public Construction & Repair Pro.

Rev. Secy stating that in accordance with the orders issued for the time for the B.M. Budget of the provision for Public Construction & Repair, the Comptroller should be furnished with statements showing the distribution of the allotment & expenditure up to date and that the general control will however remain with the B.M. Secy. & the officers concerned.