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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th August 1870.*

No. 159. Read the following Endorsement of the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 1st August 1870, No. 815 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Superintendent of Police, Ganjam District, to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Chetterpore, 21st July 1870, No. 292.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for your information, copy of a letter received from the Assistant Engineer of Berhampore, and request that you will be so kind as to let me know whether the completion certificates of the Range Officers can be dispensed with for repairs of works below Rupees 50, and whether the vouchers for the money expended together with the inspection certificate of the Police Inspector, by whom the repairs have been executed, are sufficient in support of all the petty repairs not exceeding the above limit.

2. I need scarcely add that the present mode of requiring completion certificates in every trifling charge not only delays the adjustment of the accounts, but also causes great inconvenience and trouble to the Range Officers who, on some occasions, have to travel a considerable distance for inspecting the works before granting the certificates.

*From the Assistant Engineer, Ganjam, to the Police Superintendent of Ganjam, dated Berhampore, 19th July 1870, No. 231.

With reference to a letter from the Inspector in your office, I beg to inform you that inspection certificates are not required for works below Rupees 50, and I may also add, for your information, that I consider the vouchers attached to Mr. Bartley's letter quite sufficient with his certificates in support of the trifling charges incurred by him. The vouchers received with your Inspector's letter under reply are herewith returned.

2. With reference to your Inspector's last paragraph, I beg to inform you that the completion certificate for Aska Hospital should be furnished by No. 3 Range Officer, as the building is situated in that Range.

SUBMITTED for the consideration of Government.

2. In the case of works estimated at Rupees 50 and under, carried out by officers of the Public Works Department, no completion certificates are necessary. *Vide* paragraph 5 of this Office Circular No. XXXIX., dated 20th November 1865.

3. Under G. O., No. 694, dated 13th March 1865, all bills for outlay incurred on Public Works by the Civil authorities, without reference to any money limit, are required to be accompanied by completion certificates from the Public Works Officers in charge of the Ranges in which the works are situated. Looking however to the difficulties attending the carrying out of this rule, and the trouble which it imposes upon Range Officers, I venture respectfully to suggest that Range Officers' certificates be dispensed with in the case of works costing not more than Rupees 50, and that, in their stead, this office be empowered to accept the certificates of the officers under whose supervision or direction the works may be carried out.

(Signed) S. BROCK,
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

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No. 160.

ORDER THEREON, 11th August 1870, No. 1,907.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 20.

As by extending to works executed by Civil Officers the rule which makes it unnecessary that completion certificates should be submitted for works costing not more than Rupees 50, much relief will be afforded to the officers of the Public Works Department and greater expedition ensured in the submission of the Civil Officers' accounts, the Government are pleased to accede to the recommendation contained in this letter.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts, with two enclosures.

To Superintending Engineers.

„ Major R. B. Kennedy.

To the Board of Revenue.

„ Inspector-General of Police.

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2. In the case of works estimated at Rupees 50 and under, called out by Officers of the Public Works Department, no completion certificates are necessary - vide Paragraph of this Office Circular No. XXXIX dated 12th November 1865.

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Yours faithfully,
Sd/- J. H. M. [Signature]

Office of the Controller of Public Works Accounts
Madras
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To, The Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort Saint George.

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