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Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th August 1870.*

No. 173. Read the following letter from the Controllor of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 13th July 1870, No. 676:—

* A.

I HAVE the honour to forward a statement* of advances made to the Civil authorities in the Malabar District by Officers of the Public Works Department from the year 1864-65 to the close of 1869-70.

Statement A.
Do. B.
Two original letters, Nos. 584 and 1,620, dated 13th March and 14th July 1869, respectively, from the Collector.

2. From this statement it will be seen that the total of the advances standing in my books against the Malabar District on the 31st March last amounted to Rupees 10,181-9-0, of which Rupees 4,904-8-9 have been accounted for by bills, and Rupees 12-1-9 refunded into the Treasury, leaving a balance of Rupees 5,264-14-6 as follows:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Bills due...	4,174	0	4
Advances remaining unadjusted, and regarding which no information is available in this office ...	1,090	14	2

3. The bills for Rupees 4,904-8-9 were received here in 1869, but being unaccompanied by the required completion certificates from the Public Works Officers in charge of the Ranges in which the works are situated, and owing to confusion in the accounts, they are still undisposed of. As, however, it appears from the enclosed letter from the Collector of Malabar, under date the 13th March 1869, No. 584, that there is no hope of those certificates ever being furnished to this office, I request the special sanction of Government to pass the outlay, which stands classified as follows, as per statement B. enclosed:—

	New Works.	Repairs.	Total.
	RS.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Civil Buildings ...	1,500	3,320 0 6	4,820 0 6
Agricultural ...		16 2 3	16 2 3
Miscellaneous Public Improvement ...		68 6 0	68 6 0
Total ...	1,500	3,404 8 9	4,904 8 9

4. In accordance with paragraph 12 of G. O. of the 24th December 1869, No. 4,008, it will be necessary before the expenditure of Rupees 4,904-8-9 is brought upon the books of this office, that it should be covered by specific appropriations of funds.

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5. As regards the balance of Rupees 5,264-14-6, the Collector of Malabar was requested, on the dates noted in the margin, to arrange for its speedy adjustment, by the submission of bills for outlay actually incurred, and by the refund of balances remaining unspent.
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| 22nd March 1869, No. 5,325. | |
| 14th May " " 273. | |
| 9th July " " 169. | |
| 11th October " " 230. | |
| 6th January 1870, " 157. | |
| 2nd June " " 27. | |

The only reply which has been received to these communications is the enclosed letter from the Collector, under date the 14th July 1869, No. 1,620.

No. 174.

ORDER THEREON, 12th August 1870, No. 1,915.

ACCOUNT, No. 12.

NOTWITHSTANDING the repeated orders which have been issued for the prompt adjustment of advances made by Officers of the Public Works Department to the Civil authorities, either by the punctual submission of accounts of expenditure in the authorized forms, or by the timely surrender of such portions of those advances as cannot be expended in the year in which they are made, His Excellency in Council is surprised to learn, from the letter of the Controller of Public Works Accounts above recorded, that advances made to the Revenue authorities in the Malabar District from the year 1864-65 to the close of 1869-70 still remain unadjusted. His Excellency in Council is greatly disappointed to find that, at a time when serious difficulties are met with in providing funds for many important and much needed works of public improvement, the Government are called upon to allot Rupees 4,901-8-9 for the settlement of advances which, if accounted for in the years in which they were made, would long since have been adjusted, and would require no place in the books of the Public Works Department for 1870-71.

2. The only money at the disposal of Government under heads other than "Military" and "Agricultural Extraordinary" is a part (Rupees 5,024) of the excess Budget provision for the Iyaur Bridge in the Trichinopoly District. This amount is much required for other works at the Presidency, but as, under the rules, the expenditure under notice cannot be brought on the Public Works Accounts without special allotments, His Excellency in Council has no alternative but to recommend to the Government of India the following transfers of funds, and to request the Acting Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division to provide at once, the small sums (Rupees 16 and 69) required under "Repairs," "Agricultural" and "Miscellaneous Public Improvement" respectively:—

From			To		
Trichinopoly.—Iyaur Bridge.			Malabar.—New Salt Gollah at		
Item No. 232	...	Rs. 1,500	Ponany	...	
Do. do.	...	" 3,320	Do. Repairs, Civil Build-	ings	Rs. 1,500
					" 3,320

3. Pending the sanction of the Government of India, the Controller is authorized to pass the outlay accounted for by the Collector of Malabar without the usual completion certificates, the absence of which important documents

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appears from Mr. Ballard's letter of the 13th March 1869 to be due, in great measure, to delay in making the needful applications to the Public Works Officers in charge of the Ranges in which the works are situated. Such delay should hereafter be guarded against, and measures taken for the despatch to the Controller, in a complete form, of the accounts of expenditure for the balance of Rupees 5,264-14-6 referred to in paragraph 5. The Collector of Malabar will at once report, for the information of Government, within what date those accounts will be rendered, and whether the whole of the balance just mentioned represents *bona-fide* outlay. Should that balance include funds not utilized on or before the 31st March last, the Collector will explain why the unexpended advances were not paid into the Treasury before the close of the past official year. In the event of the sum of Rupees 5,264-14-6 being made up of items of actual outlay, it will be necessary, on the receipt of the Accounts, to make a further allotment equivalent to the amount

accounted for, thus increasing the demand on the small grant for the current official year to Rupees 10,170.* It is very doubtful whether money can hereafter be found to adjust the difference† between this latter amount and the assignments made in these Proceed-

* Rupees 4,905
" 5,265
10,170

† Rupees 5,265

ings, and looking to the embarrassing position in which the Government might be placed by the inattention of Civil Officers to the orders issued for their guidance, a copy of these Proceedings will be furnished to the Revenue Department in continuation of paragraph 12 of G. O. of the 24th December 1869, No. 4,008, for such further notice as may be necessary.

4. The Government observe that these bills have been for upwards of a year in the Controller's Office and that no sufficient reason for this delay is assigned.

5. The letter of the Controller of Public Works Accounts to the address of Secretary to the Board of Revenue, under date the 14th January 1870, No. 1,944, contained a concise, but clear exposition of the rules relating to the adjustment of advances to Civil Officers. A close adherence to the procedure therein laid down will prevent the irregularities which now (occasionally) occur.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

- To the Revenue Department, with copy of Board's Proceedings of the 17th March 1870, No. 1,824.
 .. Judicial Department, for communication to the Officers of the Police Department.
 .. Controller of Public Works Accounts, with four Enclosures.
 .. Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
 .. Collector of Malabar.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT

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Dated Aug 11 1870

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G. O. 12th July 1870. No. 123

AUGUST.

Nos. 173-174

Advances.—Passing orders on the letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts forwarding a statement of advances made to the Civil authorities in the Malabar District by Public Works Officers from the year 1864-65 to the close of 1869-70, and requesting sanction to the outlay of Rupees 1,004-8-9 being passed without completion certificates.

Office of the Controller of Public Works Accounts
Madras 13th July 1870

No 676
From
The Controller of Public Works Accounts
To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort Saint George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a statement of advances made to the Civil authorities in the

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Statement A
Do B

2 Original letters Nos 584 and 1620,
dated 13th March and 14th July 1869
respectively, from the Collector
4 enclosures

Malabar District. 1864-65 to the close of 1869-70. From this statement it will be seen that the total of the advances standing in my Books against the Malabar District on the 31st March

March

March last amounted to Rupees 10,181-9-0,
 of which Rupees 4,904-8-9 have been
 accounted for by bills, and Rupees 12-1-9
 refunded into the Treasury, leaving a
 balance of Rupees 5264-14-6 as follows.

Bills due 4174-11-4

Advances remaining unadjusted,
 and regarding which no information
 is available in this Office 1090-14-2

3. The bills for Rupees 4904-8-9
 were received here in 1869, but being un-
 accompanied by the required com-
 -pletion certificates from the Public
 Works Officers in charge of the ranges
 in which the works are situated, and
 owing to confusion in the accounts,
 they are still undisposed of. No,
 however, it appears from the enclosed
 letter from the Collector of Malabar
 under date the 13th March 1869, of 1st 584,

that there is no hope of those certifi-
 -cates ever being furnished to this
 Office. I request the special sanction
 of Government to pass the outlay,
 which stands classified as follows,
 as per statement B, enclosed.

	Works	Repairs	Total
Civil Buildings	1500	3320-6	4820-6
Agricultural		16-23	16-23
Miscellaneous Public Improvement		68-6	68-6
Total	1500	3404-8-9	4904-8-9

4. In accordance with
 para 12 of G.O. of the 24th December 1869
 No 4008, it will be necessary before the
 expenditure of Rupees 4904-8-9 is brought
 upon the books of this Office, that
 it should be covered by specific
 appropriations of funds.

5. As regards the balance of
 Rupees 5264-14-6, the collector of Malabar
 was

was requested, on the dates noted in the margin, to arrange for its speedy adjustment, by the submission of bills for outlay actually incurred and by the refund of balances remaining unspent. The

only reply which has been received

to these communications is the enclosed letter from the collector under date the 14th July 1869.

I have the honor to be

Sir,
Your most obedient servant

S. Hoey

Controller of Public Works Accounts

E. D. M. L.

22nd March 1869
14th May 1869
9th July 1869
11th October 1869
6th January 1870
2nd June 1870

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 12 July 1870

Read the following.

The Controller of
P. D. Accts. (H. E. No. 646 of 13 July 1870)

Notwithstanding the repeated orders which have been issued for the prompt adjustment of advances made by Officers of the Public Works Department to the Civil Authorities, either by the punctual submission of accounts of expenditure in the authorized forms, or by the timely surrender of such portions of those advances as cannot be expended in the year in which they are made, His Excellency in Council is surprised to learn

Mr. Brock has then bills in March 1869 - The defect - want of completion - result - was one that he could not remedy

From
The Controller of P. D. Accts.
To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort Saint George

Dated 15 July 1870
Recd. 14

N^o 646

Forwards certain papers connected with the expenditure incurred by the various officers of the Public Works Department from the official year 1864-65 to the close of 1869-70 and requesting the sanction of Government to the issue of bills in which the sum of Rs. 4,44,000 is certified as being due to the Government.

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learn from the letter of the
Controller of Public Works Ac-
counts above recorded that
advances made to the Re-
venue Authorities in the
Malabar District from
the year 1864-65 to the close
of 1869-70 still remain un-
adjusted. His Excellency in
Council is greatly disappointed
to find that, at a time when
serious difficulties are met
with in providing funds
for many important and
much needed works of pub-
lic improvement, the Govt.
are called upon to allot
~~large amounts~~ Rs. 4904-8-9
for the settlement of advances
which, if accounted for in
the years in which they
were

Why did he not
submit them at
once to get so that
they might have
been adjusted at
of last years audit.
The delay of more
than a year in
his office should
not pass unnoted.
L. D. S.

I would omit these
words. N.
B.

were made, would long since
have been adjusted, and would
require no place in the books
of the P. W. Department for
1871-72.

The only money at the
disposal of Government un-
der heads other than "Military"
and "Agricultural Revenue"
is a part (Rs. 5024)
of the Budget provision
for the Syam Bridge in the
Trichinopoly District. This
amount is much required
for other works at the Presi-
dency, but as, under the
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without special allotments, His
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forwarded to the Revenue Department for circulation of Rs. 2 of 1000 24 December 1864 for

may be necessary.

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A close adherence to the procedure therein laid down will prevent many of the irregularities which now frequently occur.

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- To the Revenue Deph. with copy of Board's Pro. of the 17th March 1870.
- " Public Deph. for communication to the Officers of the Police Deph.
- " Controller, P.W. Accts. with 4 Enclosures.
- " Insp. Genl. of the 7th Divn.
- " Collector of Malabar.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

The Revenue Department

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Advances. Vaping orders on
the letter from the Controller of
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statement of advances made
to the Civil Authorities in the
Malabar District by P.W. Of-
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