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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th November 1870.*

No. 458. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) dated Simla, 14th October 1870, No. 477 AG :—

Reduction from ordinary Public Works Budget Grant for 1870-71, on account of expenditure in England on stores for the Public Works Department.

Read again the following papers :—

Public Works Despatch to Secretary of State, No. 144, dated 13th October 1869.
Orders on the several Public Works Budget Estimates for 1870-71.

Read also—

Financial Despatch from Secretary of State, No. 237, dated 21st July 1870.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor-General in Council observes that in the despatch last read, the Secretary of State has intimated his intention of adhering to the arrangement under which expenditure incurred in England on account of stores for the Public Works Department is recorded as a final charge in the Home accounts, instead of being treated as remittances to India for adjustment by the Public Works Department. It, therefore, becomes necessary to reduce the ordinary Public Works grant by the amount which it is expected will be spent in England during the current official year on stores for the Public Works Department, and for which provision was especially made in that grant.

2. The Secretary of State has estimated that the outlay in England on this account during 1870-71 will amount to

	£.	
Madras	12,300	£237,050 as per margin; but this sum
Bombay	85,000	is supposed to include the following
Bengal	139,100	charges which should properly be treat-
Miscellaneous payments ...	650	ed as remittances to India for adjust-
Total...	237,050	ment with the several local trust funds,

foreign States, and Government workshops for which the stores are supplied—

	£.	£.
<i>Debitable to Port Trust Funds—</i>		
Pontoon for the Apollo Pier Extension, Bombay	20,000	
Steam and hydraulic cranes for jetties at Calcutta	3,000	
		23,000
<i>Debitable to Port Fund, Burmah—</i>		
Payment in England to Contractor for China Bukeer and Eastern Grove Lighthouse	700	
<i>Debitable to Local Funds, Bengal—</i>		
Iron-work for Bailgurrah Bridge, and Steam Dredger for Circular and Eastern Canals	8,000	
<i>Debitable to Foreign Funds—</i>		
Materials for bridge across Morena River, Tools and Plant for Mysore, and materials for Oomrawutteo Branch Railway	15,540	
Debitable to Revenue of Government workshops	44,700	
		91,940

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3. The amount to be deducted from the ordinary Budget grant for 1870-71 after allowing for the above items will therefore be £145,110 as follows:—

	Amount to be reduced.	Amount provided in the provincial Public Works Budget Estimate.	
	£.	£.	
Madras	12,307	8,000	<i>Vide Public Works Department letter No. 313 AG, dated 14th July 1870.</i>
Bombay	65,000	50,000	
Bengal	53,800	40,000	<i>For girders for barracks at Meerut, and instruments for Central Instrument Depot.</i>
North-Western Provinces ...	8,500		
Punjab	310		
British Burmah	1,300		
Hyderabad Imperial	3,900	1,600	
	1,45,110	99,600	

4. The amount of the proposed reduction from the Budget is thus £45,510 in excess of the corresponding provision in the Budget; but the Government of India has reason to believe that the actual expenditure in England will not exceed the Budget provision to this extent, and a further reference will be made to the Secretary of State on the subject, the result of which will be communicated to the Local Governments and Administrations concerned in due course. Meanwhile, however, it is necessary that the reductions should be carried out as above indicated.

5. The reductions herein ordered in the grant will leave the amount available for expenditure in India as follows:—

	Original grant.	Deduct amount reduced during course of year.	Net grant.	Less herein reduced on account of stores from England.	Balance available for expenditure in India.
	£	£	£	£	£
Madras	552,500	1,750	550,750	12,300	538,450
Bombay	792,500	5,000	787,500	65,000	722,500
Bengal	702,500		702,500	53,800	648,700
North-Western Provinces ...	508,100		508,100	8,500	499,600
Punjab	542,800		542,800	310	542,490
Central Provinces	247,500	4,000	243,500		243,500
British Burmah	182,500		182,500	1,300	181,200
Oudh	127,500		127,500		127,500
Hyderabad	35,000		35,000	3,900	31,100
Rajpootana	85,000		85,000		85,000
Central India	200,000		200,000		200,000
Coorg	10,000		10,000		10,000
Port Blair	12,500		12,500		12,500
Unappropriated grant ...		+ 10,750	10,750		10,750
	3,998,400		3,998,400	145,110	3,853,290

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6. The necessary steps should be at once taken to keep the expenditure in India within the sum shown to be available in the last column of the preceding table. In this view, a re-appropriation of Budget credits should be made, as early as possible, under the rules in force, for the difference between the sum provided in the several provincial Public Works Budget Estimates for stores from England and the reduction herein made on this account.

7. It should be distinctly understood that, if special indents are sent during the remainder of the year for stores, a corresponding reduction of the value of such stores will be required to be made from the provincial grant concerned.

ORDER.—Ordered that this Resolution be communicated to the Government of Madras for information and guidance, with the remark that although the Secretary of State in his Despatch No. 8, dated 19th May 1870, intimated that the probable expenditure in England on account of stores for the Madras Public Works Department would amount to £7,000 only, yet in his later Despatch, dated 21st July 1870, the estimate has been increased to £12,300, so that it has been found necessary to reduce the grant accordingly.

Ordered also that a copy be forwarded to the Government of Bombay for guidance, in continuation of Public Works Department letter No. 313 AG, dated 14th July 1870, and with the remark that no reduction has been made in the grant on account of stores for the Port Trust works, as the Secretary of State will be requested to treat the value of such stores as remittances to India for debit to the debt grant concerned.

Ordered further that a copy be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin for information and guidance, and to the other Local Administrations, for information, with an intimation to the Resident, Hyderabad, and to the Chief Commissioner, Mysore, that in the case of the grant for the Hyderabad assigned districts and Mysore, no reduction from the Public Works allotment will be necessary on account of stores from England, since the value of such stores will be treated in the Home accounts as remittances to India and not as final charges.

Ordered also that a copy be forwarded to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, in view to the issue of special orders to the several Controllers of Public Works Accounts.

(Signed) W. A. CROMMELIN,
Offg Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 459. ORDER THEREON, 25th November 1870, No. 2,837.

ACCOUNT, No. 44.

COMMUNICATED to the Controller of Public Works Accounts and to the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores and Workshops.

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Ordered that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 2,838, dated 25th November 1870.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

„ General Superintendent of Public Works Stores and Workshops.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 25th November 1870.

No. 460.

No. 2,838.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT, No. 45.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of the Government of India under date the 14th

October 1870, No. 477 AG, reducing the ordinary Public Works grant to this Presidency by Rupees 1,23,000, being the amount which the Secretary of State now estimates will be spent in England during the current official year on Public Works stores, and calling upon this Government to submit proposals for a re-appropriation of Budget credits for the difference between the sum provided for English stores in the Budget Estimate and the reduction now made on that account.

2. The original provision in the Budget for English stores was Rupees 80,000, but by the transfers proposed by this Government in the papers marginally noted, this amount is reduced to Rupees 70,000. The estimate for those stores being now stated by the Secretary of

To Government of India No. 2,035, dated 23rd August 1870.
From do. No. 332 AB., dated 14th September 1870.
To do. No. 2,398, dated 5th October 1870.

State at Rupees 1,23,000, the amount requiring to be now given up will be Rupees 53,000.

3. The Government of India will have seen from my letter No. 1,816, dated 28th July 1870, that the greatest difficulty was experienced in providing from the ordinary grant, the sum of one lac of Rupees on account of the probable short debits in the current year to Extraordinary Agricultural works under the head of Establishments, and such diminution of the grant was found possible only by the arbitrary reductions noted in my application of the 5th November 1870, No. 2,660. The further reduction which this Government are now called upon to make necessarily increases the difficulties which have to be contended with, and looking to the smallness of the modified allotment for ordinary works, and to the fact that any sudden withdrawals which may now be made will lead to confusion and embarrassment and disturb the executive arrangements of the local officers, His Excellency in Council confidently hopes that the Government of India will not press for any immediate reduction, but permit this Government to surrender before the termination of the year such sum as may be found to be absolutely necessary to cover expenditure in England on account of Public Works stores for this Presidency on the receipt of the Secretary of State's reply to the further reference which the Government of India state it to be their intention to make on the subject.

4. It has occurred to His Excellency in Council that the excess of Rupees 53,000 on account of London supplies may, in a great measure, be due to this

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT.
General.

To

No. 477 A-G.

Dated Simla, 14th October 1870.

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Department being incorrectly charged with the cost (Rupees 47,000) of stores sent out for the Snider Factory, which it was in contemplation to establish at Madras. The intention of erecting such a building, however, in this Presidency appears from the orders of the Government of India, dated 13th September 1870, No. 142-A I., to have been abandoned, and, under any circumstances, the value of the stores in question is properly debitable to the Military Department.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

Records and the General Superintendent of Public Works and No. 477 A-G.
Communicated to the Controller of Public Works
Ordered that the following letter be sent.
H. S. No. 477 A-G dated Nov-1870.

Reduction from Ordinary Public Works Budget
Grant for 1870-71, on account of expenditure on
stores for the Public Works Department.

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With an Order

No. 458

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The Secy. to the Govt
of India P. & D.
Sir

I am directed to
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the 1st October 1870 No. 1772
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being the amount which
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Rs 53,000

Rupers 53,000. 138

The Govt. of India will have seen from my letter No. 1816 dated 28 July 1870 that the greatest difficulty was experienced in providing from the ordinary grant the sum of one Lac of Rupers on account of the probable short debits in the current year to Extraordinary Agricultural works under the head of Establishments, and such diminution of the grant was found possible only by the arbitrary reductions noted in my application of the 5th Nov 1870 to 2660. The further reduction which this Govt. are now called upon to make necessarily increases

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To The Controller of Public
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Secretary to the Govt. of
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Order. Taking orders on Pro. P. to
Govt. India regarding the
P. R. Budget for 1870-71
in account of P. R. for the
P. R. Dept.

Letter. Bringing to notice the diffi-
culties experienced by the
Govt. India P. R. Budget for
1870/71 in account of P. R.
to the P. R. Dept. & requesting
that this Govt. may not be
prepared for any immediate
action.