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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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2nd December 1870.*

No. 61. Read the following letter from the Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Irrigation,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 7th November 1870, No. 162-A. I:—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 332, dated 19th August last, regarding the sum of Rupees 4,199-7-9 written off to "Profit and Loss" in the accounts of 1869-70 against the grant for Extraordinary Works, and, in reply, to state that, owing to the necessity that existed for closing the accounts of 1869-70, the above sum has been charged in the books of the Accountant-General's Office against the Ordinary grant.

2. From the papers now before the Government of India, it would appear that the loss is due to the operations connected with the construction of Ryves' Canal in the Kistna District, and, as in the opinion of the Governor-General in Council, such losses should not be charged to Profit and Loss, but to the particular works or manufactures or stores for which the advances were made, I am to request that the amount involved be written back in the accounts of 1870-71 from the Profit and Loss account and charged to the Canal Works in question. The Controller of Public Works Accounts should apply to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, for any instructions that may be necessary in order to carry out this writes back.

3. I am further to add that, from the papers submitted, two points would seem to require attention:—

1st.—The estimating must have been loose, if the estimated cost is not exceeded in such a work as "Ryves' Canal," when close upon 5,000 Rupees have been misappropriated.

2nd.—There would appear to be something wrong in the system of work which admits of the measurements, which regulate the payments in cases of job-work as this would seem to be, being left unchecked in the hands of a novice in a subordinate grade. The temptation to a lad in that rank of life, if not of high and fixed principles, must be overwhelming.

4. If such measurements cannot be wholly taken by the Engineers, I am to observe that *check* measurements should invariably be taken by them before paying sums based on quantities, and check countings before paying on Master Rolls.

No. 62. ORDER THEREON, 2nd December 1870, No. 2,925.

ACCOUNT, No. 5.

THIS letter from the Government of India will be communicated to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, who will take measures for the adjustment of the charge referred to, in the manner pointed out.

Ordinary Grant.

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2nd December 1870.*

2. The attention of the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, will be called to the remarks of the Government of India in paragraph 3 of the above letter.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.

No. 162 A. J.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT.

Irrigation.

To,

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

Irrigation Branch.

Fort William, 7th November 1870

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter N^o 332 dated 19th August last regarding the sum of Rupees 4,99-7-9 written off to Profit and Loss in the accounts of 1869/70 against the grant for Extraordinary Works, and in reply to state that, owing to the necessity that existed for closing the accounts of 1869/70, the above sum has been charged in the Books of the Accountant General's Office against the Ordinary Grant.

2. From the papers now before the Government of India, it would appear that the loss is due to the operations connected with the construction of Rydes Canal in the Hietna District, and, as in the opinion of the Governor General in Council, such losses should not be charged to Profit and Loss - but to the particular works or manufactures or stores for which the advances were made, I am to request that the amount involved be written back in the accounts of 1870/71 from the Profit and Loss account and charged to the Canal Works in question. The Controller of Public Works Accounts should apply to the Accountant General Public Works Department for any instructions that may be necessary in order to carry out this writes back.

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2nd There would appear to be something wrong in the system of work which admits of the measurements, which regulate the payments in cases of job work as this would seem to be, being left unchecked in the hands of a notice in a subordinate grade. The temptation to a lad in that rank of life, if not of high and fixed principles, must be overwhelming.

If such measurements cannot be wholly taken by the Engineers, I am to observe that checks measurements should invariably be taken by them before paying sums based on quantities, and check countings before paying on Muster Rolls.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most Obedient servant.

J. W. L. Jones

By Secretary to Govt. of India.

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Public Works Department
 No. 292-5
 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 Under date the 2nd Decr/70.
 Read the following
 From The Government of India H.E. No. 162 A.S. of 7th Nov/70

This letter from the Government of India will be communicated to the Controller of Public Works accounts, who will take measures for the adjustment of the charge referred to, in the manner pointed out.

2. The attention of the Sup^r Engineer 2nd Divⁿ will be called to the remarks of the Govt of India in para 3 of the

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Public Works 1870 Refuted
 Mr. Gordon's statement
 28-11-70

From
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 the Government of India
 S. G. N.

Noted 1st Decr
 Received 14th } 28-11-70

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Referring to the subject of the proposal to write off to Profit & Loss the sum of Rs. 1,192-7-9 in the accounts of 1869-70 against the grant for Extraordinary Works.

No. 292-5-2 Decr/70

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the above letter.

My 15/11/70

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W. B.

To The Superintendents
" Controller P. M. A. C.
" Chief Eng. for
" Dept. 3/12/70
" Dept. 3/12/70

1019: Nov 1900 21

the above letter.

My 15/11/70

Wb

Apr 6/10

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintendent Engineer
2nd. Division

Dated

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G. O. 2nd Decr 1870, No. 2925.

Nos. 61 & 62

Extraordinary Works - Letter from
the Govt. of India passing orders on
the subject of the proposal to
write off to "Profit & Loss" the
sum of Rs. 199-7-9 in the
accounts of 1869/70 against
the grant for Extraordinary
Works, & to the Officers
concerned with instructions.

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