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

No. 276. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Fort William, 31st December 1869, No. 42.

Alteration of Classification of Goods.

Read the following :—

From Government of Bengal, No. 1,008 G, dated 15th May 1869.
,, ,, Punjab, ,, $\frac{210\ P}{1260}$, ,, 21st ,, ,,
,, Chief Commissioner of Oudh, No. 624 R, dated 2nd June ,,
,, Government of Bombay, ,, 1,154, ,, 11th ,, ,,

OBSERVATIONS.—The Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway lately desired to claim, under the provision of the orders laying down maxima rates of freight, the right of altering the *classification* of goods, provided the charge was *decreased*, or in other words to have the power of transferring articles from higher to lower classes. From reports submitted by the other Local Governments, it appears that there is no uniformity of practice in this respect on the different railways of India.

In Bengal, independent power has not been claimed by the Railway Companies, and any reduction in the rates of charge, or alteration in the classification of goods, is discussed with the Consulting Engineer at official meetings before being brought into operation.

In the Punjab, the question has never been raised.

In Oudh, the Agent has been left free to make any desired reduction in rates, either by reducing the rate for a class, or by transferring an article from a higher to a lower class.

In Bombay, the action of the companies has not been restricted in any way, nor has Government been consulted in every case when a change of classification has been carried out.

RESOLUTION.—It appears to the Government of India that uniformity of classification, so far as it tends to a simplification of account and the convenience of the public, is much to be desired in the interests of all parties concerned. But it does not seem to be necessary to place any further restriction on the free action of Railway Agents, than such as will enable a similarity of practice to be enforced so far as is suitable to the circumstances of each case. For the future, therefore, on the opening of a line, the classification and rates should be sanctioned by the Local Governments, and any article that may thereafter be added to the lists should be classified with the approval of the Government. No article should be removed to a higher class, nor should the formation of any new class, whether special or not, be permitted without the sanction of the Government, and all changes within the powers of the Agent should, when made, be simultaneously reported to the Consulting Engineer.

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

ORDER.—Ordered, that this Resolution be communicated to the Local Governments and Administrations named in the margin, for information and guidance; also for information to the Government of the North-Western Provinces and the Resident at Hyderabad.

Madras. | Bengal.
Bombay. | Punjab.
Oudh.

(Signed) E. C. S. WILLIAMS, Major, R.E.,
Deputy-Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 277. ORDER THEREON, 12th February 1870, No. 517.

RAILWAY, No. 32.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

CIRCULAR No. 42 RAILWAY.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY.

FORT WILLIAM, DECEMBER 31, 1869.

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Madras. Bombay. | Oudh. | Bengal. Punjab.

E. W. Maunt *Major, R. E.,*
Deputy Secretary.

To
The Secy. to the Govt. of Madras
Public Works Dept. (Railways)

R/R 1870 Dept (1)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY.

To

No 154

CIRCULAR No. 42 RAILWAY.

Dated December 31, 1869.

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Alteration of classification of Goods.

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Cancelled

Copy of Circular No. 42 Railway, dated 31st December 1869, from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to all Railways.

Alteration of classification of Goods.

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of a Circular No. 42 Railway, dated 31st December 1869, on the subject noted in the margin.

2. The Circular is forwarded for information and guidance.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
H. Bell
Secretary to the Government of India.

To all Railways.

No 577 - 14 Feby 1870.

Recd. 20th Jany 1870. Ans. 3rd Feby

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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

&c.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways

Dated

Recd.

G. O. 14th Feby 1870, No. 577.

Nos. 776-777

Classification of Goods (Rly) Circular from Govt. & Govt. regarding the hybrid & alteration the Classification of Goods. Copy Rec'd & Enclosed.

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Dated 14 2 1878.

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No. 278. Read the following letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government Public Works Department, dated Madras, 10th January 1870, No. 119:—

1 Letter in original from Agent, No. 2, 6th January 1870.
1 Plan.
1 Estimate.

In paragraph 34 of my Inspection Report, dated 30th November last, I mentioned that a vagú had breached the banks of the canal in the 88th mile, and that it was proposed to build a culvert, which I considered very necessary. I have now the honour to submit a design for a two-vent culvert of 12 feet span, accompanied by an estimate, amounting to Rupees 8,850, and the letters from the Company's officers forwarding it. The exact position is at 87 miles and 21½ chains in the 6th Section of the main canal, and its construction will supersede the arrangement that was intended of conveying the water of the vagú by a side channel, a distance of 54 chains, for passage under the arches of Lock No. 9-A. The design appears suitable, and the rates in the estimate are very liberal, and ought to prove amply sufficient.

From the Agent and Manager for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 6th January 1870, No. 2.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for sanction, a drawing and estimate for a culvert (No. 9) in the Bowanassy Division, with copy of the Assistant Chief Engineer's letter, No. 1,142, of 22nd December 1869, and enclosure.

From the Assistant to the Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Kurnool, 22nd December 1869, No. 1,142.

I HAVE the honour to submit herewith, for Government sanction, a drawing and estimate (Rupees 8,850) for a proposed culvert (No. 9) in the Bowanassy Division. The Chief Engineer thinks it an advisable work to have, and Mr. Dodson pointed out its necessity to Major Mullins on his last trip of inspection.

2. I also enclose a copy of Mr. Dodson's letter, No. 355, of 16th November 1869, explaining the necessity of the work.

From the Executive Engineer, Bowanassy Division, to the Chief Engineer, dated Valapanoor, 16th November 1869, No. 355.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for your approbation and sanction, a drawing of a proposed two-arch culvert [illegible]ated at 87th mile 21½ chains.

2. You ar[illegible] that after the rains in June last the floods cut a deep channe[illegible] across the line of canal [illegible]pot, and did so much injury as to induce me to propose a culvert being inserted, instead of taking the water from this vagú down inside drain to the arches under Lock No. 9-A, as originally intended.

3. I have several times endeavoured to obtain the depth of the rock below ground surface at this spot, but owing to the rapid influx of water, have not been able to do so; but from the depth we have to go at Lock No. 9, I expect it must be over 10 feet before any solid foundation can be obtained; I have therefore thought it better and cheaper to build on concrete with inverts. I have also introduced a crest wall into the inlet to lessen the velocity of the stream, as the inlet is very steep. I also enclose my estimate of its cost, and a land plan of a land which will be required for the outlet.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th February 1870.

No. 279. ORDER THEREON, 14th February 1870, No. 518.

IRRIGATION, No. 14.

THE estimate of Rupees 8,850 is sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
" Manager for do. do.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation & Canal Company
Madras, 10th January 1870.

No. 119.

Sir,

Colonel A. Cotton R.E.
&c. &c. &c.

To
The Secretary to Government
Department of Public Works.

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and my Lords require supply sufficient.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servant
Thurnscastle Ellis & Co.

The Secretary to the Commissioners of Public Works.

P. W. 1870 — No 119 Department
(8) No 105
From
The Assistant Inspecting Engr
To
The Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

Date 10
Rec'd 11 } January 1870.

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Encloses Plan & Estimate amounting to Rs. 8,850 for building a culvert in the 87th mile 21½ chs. 6th Section Main Canal.—

No 578 — 14 Feby 1870

Write an Order

No 578
The Estimate of Engineer Officer
in Banchment.—

The Govt by Order dated 12th Feby 1870 No 329 Sanctioned the Estimate of Rs 8,850 for building a culvert in the 87th mile 21½ chs. 6th Section Main Canal.—

Sent Cheque
14 Feby 1870

Rec'd 17½ Jan.

R: 15th Jan 1870 No. 329 Feby

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Govt. of 1870 Madras.

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To The Consulting Engineer
for the Madras Irrgt:
& Canal Comp:y

Dated

Recd. Encl.

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Nos. 278-279

Subject (Mr. J. R. & Co) Estimate
for 8850 for a Culvert in
the Bowanapy Div, Canals