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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 17th February 1870.

No. 341. Read the following circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment—General,) dated Fort William, 12th January 1870, No. 3:—

Modification in mode of issue of Circulars.

The Governor-General in Council has had under consideration the expediency of modifying the present mode of issuing circulars from this department, which is susceptible of improvement in some respects. The object to be aimed at is not only to diminish sensibly the number of circulars now annually issued, but also so to arrange that the circulars that are issued should only reach those branches of the department which they concern. These objects will, it is considered, be in great measure attained by the adoption of the following plan:—

I. All orders in regard to leave, allowances, etc., issued in the Financial Department, which have hitherto been re-issued, when necessary, as circulars from this department, will ordinarily in future be published by the Public Works Department as Notifications in the *Gazette of India*, such publication showing that the orders have been adopted in this department. A similar course will be adopted in the case of orders emanating from this department, which simply fix the date from which any rules, etc., are to have effect, or such like matters.

II. The circulation of Budget Orders, Appropriation Accounts, etc., will be discontinued. When for any special reason it is desirable that such papers should be made public, they will be published in the supplement to the *Gazette of India*.

III. Papers which are of interest to particular branches of the department will be sent to those branches only, and not circulated to the department generally as has hitherto been done; only such orders as affect the department generally will be so circulated in future.

IV. Circulars intended only for the heads of local Governments and Administrations and heads of departments, such as Chief and Superintending Engineers and Account Offices, will be headed "For heads of departments only," and will have a limited issue.

2. To give effect to Rules III. and IV. it is necessary that this department should be furnished on as early a date as practicable with a statement of the number of copies of circulars that will be required for the General, Irrigation, and Railway and Account Branches, giving each separately, as also the smaller number that will be required under Rule IV., bearing in mind that it is desirable that the number of copies should be reduced as much as possible. In the case of the local Governments which print their monthly Proceedings, the number of copies required for the Proceedings should be added in each case but shown separately, as copies for this purpose will only be sent when the circulars exceed three pages.

3. Local Governments and Administrations which publish a local Official *Gazette* should re-publish in the Public Works Department all orders published under Rule I. in the *Gazette of India*.

ORDER.—Ordered that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the local Governments and Administrations marginally noted, with a request that no time be lost in furnishing this department with the information called for in paragraph 2.

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-Western Provinces, and the Punjab.
Chief Commissioners, Central Provinces, Oudh, British Burmah, and Mysore and Coorg.
Resident at Hyderabad.
Agents to the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana.
Superintendent of Port Blair.

(Signed) A. B. SAMPSON,
Under-Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department.

No. 342. ORDER THEREON, 17th February 1870, No. 551.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 32.

ORDERED that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 552, dated 17th February 1870.)
(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 17*th February* 1870.

No. 343. No. 552.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 33.

SIR,—With reference to the Circular order of the Government of India, No. 3, dated 12th January 1870, I am directed to invite attention to the letter from this Government, No. 32, of the 7th January 1869, and to state that, for the reasons therein given, His Excellency the Governor in Council does not consider it advisable to make any change in the present arrangement of re-printing circulars and orders of the Government of India according to the requirements of each case. Should it, however, notwithstanding this, be considered desirable to carry out the instructions contained in paragraph 2 of the communication under reply, I am to state that the following number of spare copies of each circular will be required:—

Under Rule III.

	For office use.	Circulation.	Proceedings.
General	10	212	7
Irrigation	10	157	7
Railway	10	16	7
Accounts	10	143	7

Under Rule IV.

For office use.	Circulation.	Proceedings.
10	40	7

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

CIRCULAR No. 3 PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ESTABLISHMENT.

General.

FORT WILLIAM, JANUARY 12, 1870.

Modification in mode of issue of Circulars.

The Governor General in Council has had under consideration the expediency of modifying the present mode of issuing Circulars from this Department, which is susceptible of improvement in some respects. The object to be aimed at is not only to diminish sensibly the number of Circulars now annually issued, but also so to arrange that the Circulars that are issued should only reach those branches of the Department which they concern. These objects will, it is considered, be in great measure attained by the adoption of the following plan :—

I. All orders in regard to leave, allowances, &c., issued in the Financial Department, which have hitherto been re-issued when necessary, as Circulars from this Department, will ordinarily in future be published by the Public Works Department as Notifications in the *Gazette of India*, such publication showing that the orders have been adopted in this Department. A similar course will be adopted in the case of orders emanating from this Department, which simply fix the date from which any rules, &c., are to have effect, or such like matters.

II. The circulation of Budget Orders, Appropriation Accounts, &c., will be discontinued. When for any special reason it is desirable that such papers should be made public, they will be published in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India*.

III. Papers which are of interest to particular branches of the Department will be sent to those branches only, and not circulated to the Department generally as has hitherto been done, only such orders as affect the Department generally will be so circulated in future.

IV. Circulars intended only for the heads of Local Governments and Administrations and heads of Departments, such as Chief and Superintending Engineers, and Account Offices, will be headed "For heads of Departments only," and will have a limited issue.

2. To give effect to Rules III and IV, it is necessary that this Department should be furnished on as early a date as practicable with a statement of the number of copies of Circulars that will be required for the General, Irrigation, and Railway and Account Branches, giving each separately, as also the smaller number that will be required under Rule IV, bearing in mind that it is desirable that the number of copies should be reduced as much as possible. In the case of the Local Governments which print their monthly Proceedings, the number of copies required for the Proceedings should be added in each case, but shown separately, as copies for this purpose will only be sent when the Circulars exceed three pages.

3. Local Governments and Administrations which publish a Local Official *Gazette*, should re-publish in the Public Works Department all orders published under Rule I in the *Gazette of India*.

ORDER.—Ordered, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations marginally noted, with request that no time be lost in furnishing this Department with the information called for in para 2.

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North Western Provinces and the Punjab.
Chief Commissioners, Central Provinces, Oudh, British Burmah, and Mysore and Coorg.
Resident at Hyderabad.
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Superintendent of Port Blair.

C. W. Sampson
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To The Secy to the Govt of Madras
Public Works Dept

P. W. Department.
No 551 5-5-72

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 17th Feby 1870
Read the following

From. The Govt of India / H. E. No 3 dd 12th January 1870

Ordered that the Pl.
covering letter be sent.

No 552

To The Secy. to the
Govt of India P.W.D.

Sir,

With reference to the
Circular order of the Govt
of India No 3 dated 12 Jan/70.
I am directed to invite atten-
tion to the letter from this
Government No 32 of the 7th
January 1869, and to state
that for the reasons therein
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the Governor in Council does not consider it advisable to make any change in the present arrangement. I am reprinting Circulars and orders of the Govt. of India according to the requirements of each case. Should it however be considered desirable to carry out the instructions contained in para 2 of the Communication under reply, I am to state that the following number of spare copies of each Circular will be required

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Secretary to the Govt of India

Dated

Read. Encl.

G. O. 17 Feby 1870, Nos 531 & 532.

Nos. 341-342 & 343

Circulars Ryots orders on the Circulars from the Govt of India regarding modifications in the mode of opening Channels.

Circulars The Govt of India informed that it is not considered advisable to make any change in the present arrangement of despatching Circulars and orders of the Govt of India according to the requirements of each case, &c.