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Public works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th April 1870*

No. 136A. Read the following Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, dated Coonoor, 24th March 1870, No 229 —

Read the following letter from K. D. P. ROBERTS, Esq, Assistant Engineer, to the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, dated Coimbatore, 11th February 1870, No. 223.

With reference to your Manager's letter, No. 383, of the 5th February 1870, I have the honour to inform you that I am not prepared to pass in any vernacular.

2. I take this opportunity, with reference to G. O., No. 151, dated 13th January 1870, to submit, for the consideration of Government, that Moonshee allowance may be granted to the members of the Department Public Works, as is at present allowed to officers of other departments

3. When I once went up for examination in Tamil, I was informed by the examining Judge that the paper given me was quite as hard as that given to the Civil Servants examined on the same occasion and who have their time given them for study, and it was clear to me that, with the time then at my disposal, I could not pass such an examination for a very long time and at great cost in the pay of Moonshees; and as Mr. Goodchap observes in the Order quoted above, it is quite possible to have a "sufficient colloquial knowledge of Tamil and read and write the language fairly" without being able to pass the required test.

4. Considering the length of time it would take, only a short time daily being often possible to devote to study without neglecting other duties, and the continued travelling which is necessary, and for which either travelling allowance or a higher salary would be demanded by a Moonshee, it is not, I respectfully represent, too much to ask that Moonshee allowance be granted to this department as well as to others who have far better and cheaper opportunities of studying

SUBMITTED to Government, with a request that G. O., No 818, of 19th March, may be made applicable to the case of Mr. Roberts and of other Uncovenanted Civil Engineers similarly situated

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

No. 137B. ORDER THEREON, 8th April 1870, No. 987.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 11.

A COPY of the orders of this Government, No. 625, of the 24th February 1868, will be forwarded to the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division who will observe that, under the orders of the Government of India therein quoted, it has been ruled that the pecuniary reward which has been specially conceded to Civil Engineers sent out from England for passing in the vernaculars cannot be extended to those who are appointed in India to the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, with copy of G. O., No. 625, of 1868.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

7th Division

Dated April 8th.

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G O, 8th April 1870, No 387

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Nos 136A 137B

Pecuniary Reward.—Intimation given that the pecuniary reward which had been specially conceded to Civil Engineers sent out from England for passing in the vernaculars, cannot, for the reason assigned, be extended to those who are appointed in India to the Public Works Department.

N^o 223

102 Coimbatore Range Office
Coimbatore 11 Feb^r 1870.

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J. P. Roberts Esq^r
Asstt Engineer

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To the Secy to Govt.

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Statement of the Public
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