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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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No. 282. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 26th October 1870, No. 2,504 :—

ADVERTING to paragraph 1 of G. O. No. 2,250, of the 19th September 1870, I have the honour to enclose copy of a letter received from the Executive Engineer in charge of the Government Workshops, Dowlaishweram, on the subject of taking stock, from which it will be observed that Captain Hasted considers it impossible to personally count and value the materials and stock in hand in the workshops without neglecting his other duties, and therefore suggests when work is slack in the shop that, under the immediate supervision of the Deputy Superintendent, some hands be employed in counting and measuring the stock and materials, and thus gradually to get through this work.

2. With regard to the valuation of the machinery and tools and plant in hand, Captain Hasted states that it would be a difficult matter to do this correctly; but from an examination of the last valuation statement of the machinery, both he and his predecessor agreed in considering the depreciation charge of 10 per cent. was rather higher than seemed to be necessary. Captain Hasted therefore recommends that it be reduced to $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent in the current official year.

3. It does not appear that the matter of taking stock has ever been regularly performed from the commencement, and there is an immense quantity of material on hand, which the Deputy Superintendent could more readily register than any one else, and I trust this suggestion may be approved of by the Government.

From the Executive Engineer in charge of the Government Workshop, Dowlaishweram, to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, dated Dowlaishweram, 21st October 1870, No. 221.

With reference to your memorandum No. 2,242, dated 3rd October, I have the honour to inform you that I find it is impossible for me personally to count and value the materials and stock in hand in the workshops without neglecting my other duties in the Range.

2. It has been customary at times when work is slack in the shop for the Deputy Superintendent to employ some of the hands in counting and measuring the stock and materials; and on taking over charge of the shop, I found that a great deal had already been done by Mr. Joyce, and that the numbers and weights of tools and iron, etc., had lately been checked. I propose in this way gradually to examine all the materials and stock, and this I hope will be considered sufficient. If, however, it is considered necessary for me personally to take stock, I shall be obliged to remain at head-quarters for some weeks and to entrust the greater portion of the Range work to my Assistant.

3. As regards the valuation of the machinery and tools and plant in hand, it would be a difficult matter to make a correct valuation. On going through the accounts with Mr. Sage, when I took charge, we examined the last valuation statement of the machinery and agreed that the depreciation charge of 10 per cent. was rather higher than seemed to be necessary, and might possibly be reduced as low as to $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. This I would recommend should be done for the current year.

4. As I am new to the Range, and several works of importance are about to be put in hand, my time is, and will be for some time, fully occupied. I trust, therefore, that what I have proposed will be approved of.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th November 1870.*

No. 283. ORDER THEREON, 15th November 1870, No. 2,744.

ACCOUNT, No. 31.

UNDER the circumstances represented in these papers, the Government approve of the arrangements under which it is proposed to take stock of the materials and stores at the Dowlaishweram Workshop.

2. The Acting Superintending Engineer will observe from Proceedings No. 2,693 dated 10th November 1870, that the rate of depreciation on plant has, in assimilation with the practice at Roorkee, been reduced from 10 to 4 per cent.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 284. DOCKET No. 2,745, dated 15th November 1870.

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India, with reference to their letter, dated 24th August 1870, No. 378 A.G.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No 221

Government Workshops Office
Dowlaishweram
21st October 1870.

Thru.

The Executive Engineer
In charge Government Workshops
Dowlaishweram

To.

The Superintending Engineer
1st Division
Dowlaishweram

Sir.

With reference to your Memo No 2242 dated 3rd October I have the honor to inform you that I find it is impossible for me personally to count and value the materials & stock in hand in the Workshops without neglecting my other duties in the Range.

2. It has been customary at times when work is slack in the shop, for the Deputy Supt to employ some of the hands in counting and measuring the stock and materials, and on taking over charge of the shop, I found that a great deal had already been done by Mr. Joyce, and that the numbers and weights of tools and iron &c. had lately been checked. I propose in this way gradually to examine all the materials and stock, and this I hope will be considered sufficient. If however, it is considered necessary for me personally to

to take stock, I shall be obliged to remain at head quarters for some weeks and to entrust the greater portion of the range work to my Assistant.

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4. As I am new to the range, and several works of importance are about to be put in hand my time is, and will be for some time fully occupied I trust, therefore that what I have proposed will be approved of.

I have, &c. &c.

Signed J. O. Wasted Capt. R.E.

Exec. Engineer in charge

Government Workshops

True Copy

W. T. Fisher Major R.E.

Acting Superintending Eng. 1st Div.

No 2504

From

Major J. F. Fischer R.E.
Acting Supg. Engineer 1st Division

To

Colonel C. A. Ovi R.E.
Secretary to Government D.P.W.
Madras

Sir,

Adverting to para 1 of G.O. No 2250 of the 19th September 1890, I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter received from the Executive Engineer in charge of the Government Workshops Dowlaishwaram, on the subject of taking stock, from which it will be observed that, Captain Wasted considers it impossible to personally count and value the materials and stock in hand in the Workshops, without neglecting his other duties, and therefore suggests when work is slack in the shop that under the immediate supervision of the Deputy Superintendent, some hands be employed in counting and measuring the stock and materials, and thus gradually to get

get through this work.

2. With regard to the valuation of the machinery and tools and plant in hand, Captain Husted states that, it would be a difficult matter to do this correctly, but from an examination of the last valuation statement of the machinery, both he and his predecessor agreed in considering the depreciation charge of 10 per Cent was rather higher than seemed to be necessary. Captain Husted therefore recommends that it be reduced to $7\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent in the current official year.

3. It does not appear that the matter of taking stock has ever been regularly performed from the commencement and there is an immense quantity of material on hand, which the Deputy Superintendent could more readily register than any one else, and I trust this suggestion may be approved of by the Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

W. T. Fisher Major R. E.
Acting Supg. Engineer 1870

Public Works Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the November 1870
Read the following

From the Dy Supg Engineer
of the 1st Division } S.C. No 2504 of 26 October 1870

Under the circum-
stances represented in these
papers, the Government
approve of the arrangements
under which it is proposed
to take stock of the materials
and stores at the Dow:
laishweram Workshop

The Acting Superintend-
ing Engineer will derive
from Proceedings No.
dated

that the rate of depreciation
on plant has, in as-
similation with the
practice

From 1870 Dy Supg
No 2504 of 26 October 1870
S.C. No 4401

The Dy Supg Engineer
1st Division

The Secretary to Govt
A.M. Madras

dated 26th October
Received 2nd November 1870

I forwards copy of a letter
from the Officer in Charge of
Government War Workshop
& outlayman on the
subject of counting stock
& materials in hand & as
Captain Keeler, Officer in
charge, is personally
unable to perform the
duties, requests the duty
may be performed by
the Deputy Superintendent
No 27/412/45-15 of 1870

No 282

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practice at Roorkee
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4 per cent.

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To The S. Eng. & S. S. Co.
Controller /

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Copy of the above
forwarded to the Post
of India with reference
to their letter dated 24th
August 1870 - No. 378 A.O.

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W.B.

CP-4401

Govt. of 1870 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To *Chief Superintending Engr*
Mr. Christian

And
To *The Secretary to the Govt of*
Madras

Dated

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1870 /

G. O. 15 Nov 1870. N. 2744 & 2745

Nos. 282-283 & 284

Dowlaiswaram Workshop.

The proposed arrangements
for taking stock of the
materials & stores at the
Dowlaiswaram Workshop,
approved with remarks.

Encl. Forwarding Copy of
Pro. of the Madras Govt. P. M. S. S.,
approving of the proposed ar-
rangements for taking stock of the
materials & stores at the Dowlaiswaram
Workshop.