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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th April 1871.*

No. 141. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Public Works Department, (Account—Railway,) dated Fort William, 18th March 1871, No. 212-A. R:—

General principles to be observed in incurring expenditure, or commencing work on State Railways and other Projects.

Read—

Note by the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, No. 188, dated 27th January 1871.

Note by the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, No. 12-R, dated 7th February 1871.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor-General in Council having lately had occasion to notice serious irregularity in the prosecution of works, particularly in connection with State Railways, the irregularities in most instances consisting in works being carried on without sanctioned estimates, or appropriation of funds, is pleased to prescribe the following rules, with a view to these matters being brought within the required condition of financial regularity:—

1st.—No outlay whatever shall be incurred without specific sanction of a definite amount by competent authority, and a corresponding appropriation.

2nd.—On a project being considered worthy of enquiry and survey, a distinct grant must be made by the Government of India, and apportioned off under definite heads before the survey is commenced or expenditure incurred. These heads are as follow:—

1.—Establishment, including Establishment Proper, Travelling Allowance, Contingencies.

2.—Tools and Plant.

3.—Survey Operations.

Under this head will be included cutting jungle, making bench-marks, lock-spitting, compensation for damage to crops and buildings, hire of boats, cost of passage of ferries, and such other contingent expenses of a survey party in the field.

3rd.—If there is reason to suppose that any work ought to be begun, and expenditure on it incurred before the project can be sanctioned in detail or submitted for sanction, distinct proposals and estimates of such anticipatory work must be submitted to the Government of India, and no expenditure is to be incurred without, or except in accordance with, specific orders on such proposals.

4th.—No form is prescribed for such estimates, but they must be as precise as the circumstance of each case will permit.

5th.—Between the completion of surveys, on which certain points can be at once decided on, and the completion of a matured project, a very considerable period may elapse, during which useful and essential work of a preliminary nature may be executed. But the knowledge of the

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present utility and future necessity for these works is on no account to be allowed to be regarded as a reason for commencing them without sanction, and proposals regarding them and their anticipatory estimates must in all cases be submitted for the orders of Government.

6th.—All expenditure not specifically authorized in the above, or some other way, is to be treated as irregular and objectionable, and will be on the personal responsibility of the Officer who undertakes it, or permits it to continue. Every Superintending Officer will, at the earliest possible opportunity, trace out and specifically report on any violation of these orders.

ORDER.—Ordered that this Resolution be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin, for information and guidance, with the remark that the orders herein given will have immediate effect.

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Bombay.	British Burmah.	
Bengal.	Mysore.	
N. W. Provinces.	Hyderabad.	
Punjab.	Central India.	
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	Port Blair and Nicobars.	

Ordered also, that a copy be forwarded to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department.

(Signed) J. J. McLEOD INNES,
Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 142. ORDER THEREON, 14th April 1871, No. 1,036.

RAILWAY, No. 18.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, who will communicate the rules laid down by the

Government of India for the information and guidance of the Railway Agents in this Presidency.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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W. S. Phillips Esq. 1036

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The following is a copy
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Government to the
Engrs in relation to
the work on the Railways
and the projects, and
the instructions.