

(1) Number of pages _____

(2) Date of repair _____

(3) Initials of the Referencer _____

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1083-84	Press
232-84	~~Mis.~~
Dated 18-4-1871.	

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th April 1871.*

No. 232. Read the following letter from the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 3rd April 1871, No. 147:—

With reference to G. O. of 7th February, No. 368, I have the honour to offer the following explanation of the differences between the "Consulting Engineer's figures" and those of the "Provincial Accountant-General," as printed in the memorandum accompanying letter from Government of India dated 19th January 1871, No. 29 A—R.

SOUTH WEST LINE.

Payments.—The figures quoted by the Accountant-General are correct, and agree with the books of the Railway. The sum of Rupees 11,03,495 is the actual cash expenditure.

Receipts.—The figures quoted by the Consulting Engineer are taken from the Railway books, the difference, Rupees 8,003, having been dealt with by the Accountant-General in a previous half-year is not included in the sum quoted by that officer.

Gross Earnings.—The sum quoted by the Accountant-General is the total of the actual payments into the Government Treasury during the year, the sum quoted by the Consulting Engineer represents the gross revenue as shown by the Revenue Account of the Company.

Withdrawals.—The sum quoted by the Accountant-General is the total of cash advanced from the Treasury; this agrees with the amount entered in the Railway books, but the figures quoted by the Consulting Engineer represent the amount of actual expenditure as shown by the Revenue Account.

2. The same explanation applies to the differences between the two sets of figures furnished by the Consulting Engineer and Accountant-General for the North West Line and the Great Southern of India Railway. The figures entered as those of the Consulting Engineer were furnished direct to this office by the Agents of the Railway Companies, who, owing to a misapprehension, gave in all instances cash expenditure instead of actual withdrawals, and the gross earnings of their Revenue Account, instead of actual payments into the Treasuries during the year.

3. *Carnatic Railway.*—The figures entered by the Accountant-General are correct, but they include under head "payments" and "withdrawals" the amount dealt with in the books of the Company in a previous year, representing expenditure and receipts from October 1868 to June 1869, which sum was brought by the Accountant-General into his books in July 1869. This accounts for the excess in the amount shown by the Consulting Engineer.

4. I have not prepared fresh statements in lieu of those that accompanied my No. 416, of 21st October 1870, as I imagine the object with which they were then called for no longer exists, and I conclude that the explanation of the discrepancies now offered will be considered sufficient.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th April 1871.*

No. 233.

ORDER THEREON, 18th April 1871, No. 1,083.

RAILWAY, No. 35.

ORDERED that the explanations submitted in this letter be communicated to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 234.

(DOCKET No. 1,084, dated 18th April 1871.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India, with reference to their letter of the 19th January 1871, No. 29 A—R.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

*Com: Engineers Office
No 147-*

*Railway Department
From*

*Captain C. A. Smith R.E.,
Dy Comm: Engineer for Railways*

*To
Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.,
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort St. George*

Sir,

*With reference to G.O. of
7th February, No. 368, I have the
honour to offer the following
explanation of the differences
between the Consulting Engineer's
figures and those of the
Provincial Accountant General
as printed in the memorandum
accompanying letter from Government*

of India dated 19th January 1871.
No. 29, A-R.

South-West India

Payments.—The figures quoted by the Accountant General are correct, and agree with the books of the Railway. The sum of Rs 11,83,495 is the actual cash expenditure.

Receipts.—The figures quoted by the Consulting Engineer are taken from the Railway books, the difference Rs. 8003 having been dealt with by the Accountant General in a previous half-year, is not included in the sum quoted by that officer.

Gross Earnings.—The sum quoted by the Accountant General is the total of the actual payments into

into the Government Treasury during the year, the sum quoted by the Consulting Engineer represents the gross Revenue as shown by the Revenue account of the Company.

Withdrawals.—The sum quoted by the Accountant General is the total of cash advanced from the Treasury; this agrees with the amount entered in the Railway books, but the figures quoted by the Consulting Engineer represent the amount of actual expenditure as shown by the Revenue Account.

2. The same explanation applies to the differences between

between the two sets of figures furnished by the Consulting Engineer and Accountant General for the North-West line and the Great Southern of India Railway. The figures entered as those of the Consulting Engineer were furnished direct to this office by the Agents of the Railway Companies, who, owing to a misapprehension gave in all instances cash expenditure instead of actual withdrawals; and the gross earnings of their Revenue Account, instead of actual payments into the Treasuries during the year.

3. Carnatic Railway. The figures entered by the Accountant General are correct, but they include

include under head "payments" and "withdrawals" the amount dealt with, in the books of the Company in a previous year representing expenditure and receipts from October 1868 to June 1869, which sum was brought by the Accountant General into his books in July 1869. The accounts for the years in the amount shown by the Consulting Engineer.

4. I have not prepared fresh statements in lieu of those that accompanied my Report of 21st October 1870 as I imagined the object with which they were then called for, no longer exists, and I conclude that the explanation of the discrepancies now offered

1873, April
11th, Sunday, April
11th, 1873, 1550
No. 25, 1873, 1550



3/5/50
Govt of 1871 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Consulting Engineer
for Railways
and
To the Secretary to the
Govt of India

Dated

Recd

18 April 1871. No 1083 & 1084

Box 232-233 & 234

Enclosures. Papers relating to
the proposed railway line
between the two stations of
the railway line. The
proposed line is to be
constructed between the
two stations of the railway
line.

Notes. The proposed line is to be
constructed between the
two stations of the railway
line. The proposed line is to be
constructed between the
two stations of the railway
line.