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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
20th April 1871.*

No. 298. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment—General,) dated Fort William, 7th March 1871, Nos. 310-326-E.G.

General adoption in India of Madras time, i. e., Telegraph or Railway time.

OBSERVATIONS.—The Governor-General in Council has had under consideration in this department the question of the expediency of adopting Madras time in all places in the provinces under the control of the Government of India.

2. Madras time is adopted in the Telegraph Department, and is also now observed as the standard Railway time. There is no question that the convenience of having one system of time all over India would be great, and as its adoption is apparently not likely to be attended with any difficulty or inconvenience, but quite the reverse, His Excellency in Council is disposed to consider that it would be an advantage if arrangements were made to introduce the system generally, to the exclusion of local time, throughout India, both in Military and Civil Stations, as well as in the Presidency towns.

3. It is understood that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India has already given orders to carry out this arrangement in certain Military Stations in Northern India, and there would appear to be no difficulty in extending the practice universally, as the Telegraph Department could conveniently give the correct Madras time at almost every Military Station in India.

Home, Foreign, Financial, and Military Depts.
Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-
Western Provinces, and the Punjab.
Chief Commissioners of Oudh, Central Provinces,
and Mysore and Coorg.
Resident at Hyderabad.
Agents to the Governor-General for Central
India and Rajpootana.

ORDER.—Ordered that these observa-
tions be communicated to the depart-
ments, Governments and Administra-
tions noted in the margin, with the
suggestion that, if the arrangement is
approved, the needful orders might be
issued for its introduction.

(Signed) R. STRACHEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 299.

ORDER THEREON, 20th April 1871, No. 1,119.

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(True Extract.)

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Secretary to Government.

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.. Revenue Department.
.. Military Department.
To Superintending Engineers.
.. Major R. B. Kennedy.
To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.
.. Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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