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Government of Madras.

Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 7th November 1871.

No. 107. Read the following letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 18th October 1871, No. 1,875 :—

ADVERTING to the Notification of the Financial Department of the Government of India, No. 4,032, dated 30th September 1871, paragraph 2, published at page 769 of the *Gazette of India*, October 7th, 1871, I have the honour to bring to the notice of Government that all charges on account of official postage incurred by the Executive Officers of the Public Works Department are included in contingent bills, which are forwarded monthly to this office for audit, the bills being countersigned by Superintending Engineers, and supported in all cases of prepaid covers by Treasury Officers' receipts, showing the number, description, and cost of stamps sold; and in cases of service bearing covers by a note of the Superintending Engineer in the contingent bill, showing the number of official bearing covers received and detained by him.

NOTE.—The covers themselves are in some cases sent, but this is exceptional.

2. I beg, with reference to the provisions of the Notification quoted above, to be favoured with the instructions of Government as to whether it is necessary that the official bearing covers should in future be all forwarded to this office, together with the contingent bills submitted for audit, in which case the postal charges falling on this department would be increased by the monthly transmission of a large number of covers from Superintending Engineers.

3. The continuance of the present system will obviate the necessity for the increase of postage, without impairing the efficiency of the existing check, which might be increased by requiring that future bills shall contain a note by Superintending Engineers to the effect that they have compared the charges made for service bearing covers with the covers themselves, and found the items correct.

No. 108. ORDER THEREON, 7th November 1871, No. 2,814.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 13.

THE Government concur with the Controller in the opinion that no greater check than is now exercised would be ensured by the transmission of official bearing covers to the Controller's Office, and that it will be sufficient if a note be added by Superintending Engineers to all bills to show that those officers have compared the charges made for such covers with the covers themselves.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.;
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Superintending Engineers.
,, Major R. B. Kennedy.
,, Mr. R. Smith.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts
Madras, 18th October 1871

No. 87

From,

The Controller of P.W. Accounts,

To,

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

Adverting to the
Notification of the Financial
Department of the Government
of India No. 4032, dated
30th September 1871, para 2,
published at page 169 of the
Gazette of India, October 7,
1871, I have the honor to bring
to the notice of Government
that all charges on account
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of official postage incurred by the Executive Officers of the Public Works Department are included in Contingent Bills which are forwarded monthly to this Office for audit, the Bills being countersigned by Superintending Engineers, and supported, in all cases of prepaid Covers, by Treasury Officers' Receipts shewing the number, description, and cost of Stamps sold, and in cases of Service bearing Covers, by a note of the Superintending Engineer in the Contingent Bill, shewing the number of official bearing Covers received and detained by him.-

Note- The Covers themselves are in some cases sent, but this is exceptional.

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2. I beg with reference to the provisions of the Notification quoted above, to be favored with the instructions of Government as to whether it is necessary that the official bearing Covers should in future be all forwarded to this Office, together with the Contingent Bills submitted for audit, in which cases the postal charges falling on this Department would be increased by the monthly transmission of a large number of Covers from Superintending Engineers.

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the present system will obviate the necessity for the increase of postage, without impairing the efficiency of the existing check, which might be superseded by requiring that future bills shall contain a note by Superintending Engineers, to the effect that they have compared the charges made for service bearing covers with the covers themselves, and found the same correct.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

S. Woodcock

Controller of P.W. Accounts.

Encl.

Fin. & Genl. Dept.
No. 4945

From,
The Controller of W. Accounts,
To,
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Dated 18th }
Recd. 18th } October 1871.

No. 875

Soliciting instructions in connection with the Postal Notification of the Government of India No. 1032, dated 30th September 1871, para 2.—

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To The Chief Engineer
Supdt Engineer
Major Kennedy
R. Smith Esqrs

Desp 8/11/71.

No. 4943

Govt. of {1871} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Controller of
Public Works Accounts

Dated

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 7 Novr 1871, No. 2814.

Nos. 107 / 118

Postal Notification.

Copying orders on the letter from the Controller P.W. Accts. Requesting instructions in connection with the Postal Notifn of the Govt. of India dated 30th Sept/71.