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

No. 304. Read the following letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 1st December 1871, No. 2,240 —

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum No. 150, dated 21st November 1871, forwarding a printed form of questions received from the Government of India to be answered by a Divisional (Range) Accountant on the occasion of his transfer or relief, and calling for a report on their suitability to the system in force in the Range Offices of this Presidency.

Two sets of questions with
1 Circular of the Government of India No 67 of 3rd November 1871
1 Copy of letter to the Accountant-General of the Public Works Department No. 435 of 10th May 1871

2. In reply, I beg to state that the Accountant-General of the Public Works Department has already been in communication with this office on the subject, and a copy of my letter * to that Officer is submitted for the information of Government, together with the set of questions to which it relates.

*No 435, dated 16th May 1871.

3. I have not yet received a reply from Colonel Innes; but the circumstance of his having adopted the questions proposed by me to be added to the list is indicative, I presume, of his approval of the proposal contained in the 4th paragraph of my letter to his address; and I shall therefore, with the permission of Government, submit at an early date a draft set of questions, based on those attached to the Government of India Circular, and which I beg may be retransmitted to this office for the purpose.

4. The questions proposed by me appear as Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 under "Balance and Liabilities." With regard to the other additional questions, which appear in the list received from Government, there is no objection to the adoption of those bearing the numbers as per margin. The questions requiring to be modified are Nos. 24 and 29, in the former of which the allusion to "Stock" should be omitted, as Talook Overseers in this Presidency are not required to maintain stock, and in the latter the omission should be the clause "in the office copy of the Code."

Nos. 5, 6, 13, 22, 23, 25, 26, and 27.

5 In lieu of question No. 45, which does not quite apply, the corresponding question No. 29 in the former list may be included.

No. 305. ORDER THEREON, 18th December 1871, No. 3,180.

ACCOUNT, No 24.

THE Government approve of the suggestions contained in the foregoing letter, and request the Controller of Public Works Accounts to submit a draft set of questions based on those attached to the Circular of the Government of India, with the additions proposed by him.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E C. Shunker.

Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts,
Madras 16th May 1871

From

The Controller of
Public Works Accounts

To

The Accountant General
Public Works Department,
Simla.

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your endorsement No 563, dated 30th March 1871, I have the honor to state that, as the Government of India Code and the forms relating thereto are not fully observed here, some of the questions which will presently be noticed are inapplicable to this Presidency.

2. Question 5. The Audit notes are sent on to the Superintending Enginee

from this office, and are eventually disposed of by the Controller. With their monthly Accounts Range Officers submit Statements of objectionable items, accompanied with their explanations. These Statements are forwarded, with remarks by the Controller, to Superintending Engineers, and, on their return by the latter officers, the Controller submits, for the Orders of Government, such items as cannot otherwise be disposed of.—

Question 6. The Returns relating to State Railways are not in use.—

Question 8. Stock Ledgers are not kept up by Dielensing Officers.

Question 11. There are no transactions of this kind with the Barrack Department.—

Question 11.— Journals and Ledgers are not maintained by Range Officers.—

Question 16. Attention is requested to Controller's letter No. 2154, dated the 9th January 1891, on this subject.—

Question 20. Same as against No. 14.

Question 30. Imprest Cash Accounts are not maintained.

3. Beside the above questions for Irrigation Divisions, and State Railways, are inapplicable.

4. The questions which have suggested themselves to me in addition to those printed with your endorsement, are the following. After hearing from you, in reply to this letter, a revised list of questions will be submitted to the local Government, and,

with

with their approval, will be circulated to the Divisional Officers of this Presidency.-

Are there any accounts due by Talook Overseers: if so, specify them?

Are the Abstracts of Cash and Stock Receipts and Disbursements complete, and up to date?

Are there any works in progress without, or in excess of, sanctioned Estimates or Grants?

Has any supply of Stock been purchased without sanction by proper authority?

Are there any applications for credit orders not yet complied with?

Are there any sums due by Contractors, &c., for fines or loss of tools remaining to be recovered. If so, particularize them?

Are

Are there any Indents on the Government Workshops completely supplied, but for which the approved Invoices have not been returned. If so, particularize?

I have &c.

Signed S. Brock

Controller of F.W. Accounts.

(True Copy)

S. Wood

Controller of F.W. Accounts.

Ld H.

No. 2240

Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts.
Fort St. George, 1st December 1871.

From

The Controller of Public Works Accts,
Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Madras.

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Enclosure Letter
from the Controller of
Public Accounts, Madras,
to the Secretary to Government,
P.W.D. dated
1st December 1871 No. 2240

P.D. No. 5945/70.
Answer Questions &c.

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Sir,
Your most obedt Servt.

J. Hood

Certified to be a true Abstract Account

Lt Col

P. W. Department

No 3180

Proceedings of the Madras government

Read the following.

From

The Controller of Accts (M.G. No 2240 of 8 Dec 74)

P. W. Secretariat

The Government approve of the suggestions contained in the foregoing letter, & request the Controller of P. W. Accounts to submit a draft set of questions based on those attached to the Circular of the Govt of India, with the additions proposed by him.

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To

Controller with three Enclosures

Dec 13 1874

To

The Secretary to Government Public Works Department

Fort St George

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith a draft set of questions based on those attached to the Circular of the Government of India, with the additions proposed by me.

2. I have the honor to request that the Government will be pleased to favor me with their opinion on the questions submitted.

I have &c

Sd

Controller of Accounts

Public Works Department

Fort St George

8 Dec 1874

Dated 8th Dec 1874

Recd 9 Dec

No 3180

Submitting draft set of questions based on those attached to the Circular of the Govt of India, with additions proposed by him.

Requesting opinion of Govt thereon.

Ans 15 Dec

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Govt. of {1871} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Controller of Public Works Accounts

Dated

Rec'd

No. 3180.

Nos. 204 & 205

Divisional Accountants.

Passing orders on the letter from the (Divisional) A.C. Accts regarding fixation of pay &c. of the Ancient Monuments Divisional Accts in the Madras Presidency & Transfer & Relief.

G.O. dated 18th Decem

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