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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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No. 2 of 1859.

TO

THE RIGHT HONORABLE LORD STANLEY,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

MY LORD,

1. In pursuance of instructions issued to us in para. 37 of the letter in this Department from the late Honorable Court of Directors, dated 27th May 1856, No. 6, we have the honor to transmit forty copies in print of a letter* addressed by us to the Government of India, on the Budget of Public Works for this Presidency for the Official year 1859-60; as well as of the Budget itself comprising three Statements, numbered 1, 2 and 3.

2. Your Lordship will observe that in submitting this Budget, we declared to the Government of India that we were not unmindful of their observations in their letter of the 23rd September 1853, No. 4606, on the Statement of works proposed for 1853-59, in respect to the magnitude of the expenditure therein proposed; and explained that on this occasion, as on the last, the principle on which we prepared our Budget was to represent the urgent wants of the Madras Presidency, keeping in view the necessity for close economy, and then to leave it entirely with the Supreme Government, with their knowledge of the Finances of India, to decide what could be sanctioned for immediate execution, and what was to be deferred until circumstances would admit of a freer expenditure on Public Works. In pursuance of this rule many projects therefore of great importance to the welfare or improvement of the country or its people, were excluded by us from consideration in framing our Budget, in order to give place to those works whose urgency of character, whether as connected with the requirements of the State, or the comfort of the increased Military Force of European soldiers, did not appear to admit of delay. Even in respect to these, no expenditure was proposed on such of them newly brought forward on this occasion, as exceeded a lac of Rupees each in estimated cost; and in respect to others, no expenditure was proposed on works presented in previous Budgets, but refused by the Government of India, except in particular instances of which the circumstances will be found explained in our report. We deemed it desirable however to enter in the Budget, all projects of this character which we approved, in order that they might not be lost sight of.

3. Referring your Lordship to our letter to the Government of India, for full particulars of the nature and object of each of the new works of magnitude proposed by us, we shall confine ourselves in this place to a mere financial view of the extent of the operations proposed for the year 1859-60.

4. Statement No. 1 comprizes projects estimated to cost upwards of 25,000 Rupees each which under the Rules furnished to us by the Government of India, are beyond our power to sanction. It includes thirteen fresh projects, and brings forward twenty-four from previous Budgets, making thirty-seven in all, involving an aggregate estimated expenditure of 45,98,300 Rupees; of which however we proposed to lay out, as far as we felt at liberty to propose, only 1,99,173 Rupees in 1859-60; and of this sum, nearly all was asked for on Military grounds, 34,136 Rupees only being for purposes other than those directly connected with the State. Of

these thirteen fresh projects, two* were specially reported on to the Government of India one of them being a purely Military work, and the other a State building for Judicial purposes.

Of the remaining eleven, four were purely Military, being for the accommodation of European Troops; five were for roads required chiefly on Military and Political grounds; one was the restoration of a part of a Trunk line, urgently required to facilitate the transit of the Mails; and one project alone was for the improvement of the Revenue; but though it was included in the present Budget, sanction for its prosecution

* No. 5. School room &c., and Armourer's Workshop for Barracks at Secunderabad Rs. 42,767
No. 10. Central Prison at the Red Hills, Chingleput Rs. 1,63,200

† No 12. Diverting the Mopodevi channel to Masulipatam, Rs. 1,45,000

was asked for, only when the circumstances of the Empire should admit of its being undertaken. Of these thirteen projects, nine are above a lac of Rupees each in estimated cost, and will under the rules, have to be referred by the Government of India for your Lordship's sanction. They are the following ; being four, Military ; one, Judicial ; one, a Channel Improvement connected with the Kistnah Annicut, and three, Roads.

	Rupees
Military.....	{ No. 2. Married Quarters for the European Infantry at Bellary..... 1,16,700 „ 3. Barracks, Officers' Quarters, Hospital &c., for the proposed Garrison of Vellore..... 2,73,790 „ 4. Improvements to Foot Artillery Barracks at Bangalore..... 1,06,000 „ 6. Married Quarters for the European Infantry at Secundrabad..... 1,80,300
Judicial.....	{ „ 10. Central Prison at the Red Hills, Chingleput District..... 1,63,200
Channel Improvement...	{ „ 12. Diverting Mopodévi Channel to Masulipatam..... 1,45,089
Roads.....	{ „ 16. Road from Masulipatam to Ibrahimpatam..... 1,46,000 „ 27. Road from Hullyal to Sedashegur, via the Singawaree ghaut, Canara..... 1,26,400 „ 29. Cart Road from Parvatipooram in Vizagapatam to Jeypore..... 1,50,000

Of projects brought forward from previous Budgets there are seven which have yet to receive the sanction of Home Government. They are two, Military ; one, General ; three, Roads ; and one, a Canal Improvement ; and are the following.

Military.....	{ No. 1. Repairing Fortifications of Fort St. George, (amount remaining to be sanctioned.)..... 11,60,950 „ 9. Stables for the Dragoons and European Horse Artillery at Bangalore..... 1,56,240
General.....	{ „ 11. General Post and Telegraph Office with Exchange Hall at Madras..... 1,87,000
Roads.....	{ „ 14. Portion of Trunk Road, No. 6, from Bezaorah to Dendalore..... 1,06,800 „ 17. do. do. do. from Guntoor to Inkole..... 1,32,800 „ 21. Road from Madura to Camoothee..... 1,01,200
Canal Improvements.....	{ „ 36. Extension of East Coast Canal from Sadras to Pondicherry..... 3,75,000

5. Statement No. 2 brings forward works above the estimated cost of 25,000 Rupees each, which have been already approved and sanctioned, but continue unexecuted ; and exhibits all those works besides, which, being under the estimated limit of 25,000 Rupees each, have been sanctioned by this Government. It contains altogether 586 projects of the aggregate estimated cost of 130,11,622 Rupees of which however the computed expenditure to the close of the Current Official year (1858-59) is 46,42,401 Rupees. The outlay proposed for the ensuing year (1859-60) is calculated at only 21,51,488 Rupees, for 224 works no expenditure is proposed for 1859-60, as these works, it was thought, may be required to be held in abeyance under the continued financial pressure.

6. Taking the two Statements together, it will be seen that the total estimated cost of all the projects proposed to be executed, or wholly or in part, in 1859-60 amounts to 176,09,922 Rupees. Of this estimated total, it is computed that 46,42,401 Rupees will have been laid out up to 30th April 1859 ; Rupees 23,50,661 is proposed to be expended in 1859-60 ; and 106,16,860 Rupees will thus be left to be worked out in future years as shewn below.

	Amount of Estimate.	Actual expenditure to October 1858, and probable to 30th April 1859.	Amount required for expenditure in 1859-60.	Remaining amount left for completion.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Statement No. 1.....	45,98,300	„	1,99,173	43,99,127
Statement No. 2.....	130,11,622	46,42,401	21,51,488	62,17,733
Total.....	176,09,922	46,42,401	23,50,661	106,16,860

7. Statement No. 3, shews the proposed expenditure under Statements Nos. 1 and 2 in a condensed form, and the probable outlay on Repairs in each District, classified under the three grand divisions of works, viz., Irrigation Works, Communications, and Buildings. The following Table is abstracted from it ; and it will be seen that the total outlay proposed in this Presidency in 1859-60, for specified works under all heads inclusive of repairs is only 52,36,966 Rupees.

	Irrigation works.	Communications.	Buildings.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Statement No. 1.....	„	1,56,406	42,767	1,99,173
Statement No. 2.....	3,14,712	5,81,790	12,54,986	21,51,488
Total.....	3,14,712	7,38,196	12,97,753	23,50,661
Repairs.....	15,96,120	10,01,675	2,88,510	28,86,305
Grand Total.....	19,10,832	17,39,871	15,86,263	52,36,966

8. Statement No. 3, being prepared according to Districts, we here subjoin a brief Statement shewing at one view the proposed outlay, divided according to the classification prescribed by the Government of India.

	Estimated expenditure for 1859-60, in Statement No. 1.	Estimated expenditure for 1859-60, in Statement No. 2.	Total.
	Rupees.	Rupees.	Rupees.
STATE.			
Military...	42,767	10,80,795	11,23,562
Naval...	„	2,410	2,410
Judicial...	„	59,909	59,909
Revenue...	„	35,128	35,128
Ecclesiastical...	„	11,704	11,704
Educational...	„	500	500
General...	„	36,870	36,870
Total STATE.....	42,767	12,27,316	12,70,083
PUBLIC.			
Municipal...	„	8,536	8,536
Marine...	„	„	„
Industrial...	„	3,18,623	3,18,623
Agricultural...	1,56,406	5,97,013	7,53,419
Communications...	„	„	„
Railway...	„	„	„
Electric Telegraph...	„	„	„
Total PUBLIC.....	1,56,406	9,24,172	10,80,578
Total of STATE and PUBLIC.....	1,99,173	21,51,488	23,50,661
Total Repairs.....	„	„	28,86,305
Grand Total.....	„	„	52,36,966

9. It was the practice with us formerly to frame the Statements composing the Budget according to Districts; but in pursuance of instructions issued to us by the Government of India, the projects are now enumerated in these Statements in classes, according to their description and character. As this classification however renders the documents of little use to the Local Officers, the Chief Engineer, or even to the Government, as papers of reference, inasmuch as they do not show at a glance the works of all kinds to be undertaken, and the expenditure to be incurred in each District, we have adopted the expedient of prefixing an Index to each Statement, containing all the works geographically arranged under the usual three great Divisions of Irrigation Works, Communications and Buildings; so that each District Engineer is able at once to ascertain the cost and description of works sanctioned for his District. To identify the works, however, entered in the Index and the statement to which it belongs a reference is given opposite to each work in the former to the corresponding item in the latter. In addition to the Index, there is a classified abstract attached to each Statement, Nos. 1 and 2, which serves the purpose of shewing at one view, the total expenditure estimated and proposed, under each class of works. The Annual Review on which the Budget is based, will also be found among the other printed papers accompanying our report to the Government of India; and we must not omit to mention in this place that, as heretofore, the sum of four lacs has been included for the year 1858-59, to cover the cost of emergent and isolated works and the extra outlay involved by supplemental estimates, and for the completion of those works which although expected to be completed before the close of the Current Official year (1858-59) may not be so completed by the end of that period. This sum of four lacs added to the expenditure proposed on the works in Statements Nos. 1 and 2, and on repairs, raise the total estimated expenditure of 1859-60 to 56,36,966 Rupees.

• Expenditure proposed for 1858-59.....	Rs. 71,77,575
Do. do. for 1859-60.....	52,36,966
Difference.....	19,40,609
<i>New Works.</i>	
Amount sanctioned in Major Strachey's letter 23rd September 1858 No. 4606, in Statement No. 1.....	5,33,660
Do. do. No. 2.....	9,25,596
	14,59,256
<i>Repairs.</i>	
Do. proposed in the Budget.....	21,56,615
Do. subsequently sanctioned.....	4,87,621
Total admitted for 1858-59.....	41,03,492
Proposed for 1859-60.....	52,36,966
Difference.....	11,33,474

10. The total expenditure proposed in the Budget of 1859-60 (viz 52,36,966 Rupees) falls short of the expenditure proposed for 1858-59 by 19,40,609 Rupees, but it exceeds the total sum admitted by the Government of India, for that year by 11,33,474 Rupees. It may not be amiss however to explain that the estimates submitted to the Government by the Chief Engineer, many

of them most urgently, would have involved an expenditure far exceeding the above sum; and that it was with great reluctance that we were compelled to refuse entry to so many much needed works. We adhered however to the principles enunciated in the commencement of our letter to the Government of India, and left it to them to sanction the whole, or such portion only of the expenditure proposed, as they may deem proper to place at the disposal of this Government on a review of the finances. We at the same time recorded our conviction, in respect to the outlay on works absolutely required for the welfare of the country being limited with reference to the present Revenue of the Presidency, that it would be preferable to consider the question apart from the Revenue, and to treat it as one on which a Public Loan might more properly be raised, a view we believe which has been already adopted by most Indian Statesmen.

11. For the sake of comparison, we contrast the expenditure proposed in the Budgets of the three years previous to 1859-60, with that actually sanctioned or admitted by the Government of India, for each year respectively; these sums not including the four lacs set apart for emergent and isolated works.

Year.	Proposed expenditure.	Total expenditure admitted.
	Rs.	Rs.
1856-57.....	82,55,261	53,71,580
1857-58.....	67,59,671	30,46,562
1858-59.....	71,77,575	41,03,492
1859-60.....	52,36,966	"

In July 1857, the Government of India placed a restriction on the Public Works expenditure of this Presidency. The number of works exempted from the operation of these orders from Janu-

ary to 20th December 1858, amounted to one hundred and three, but the expenditure authorized on them amounted only to 5,20,557 Rs. and out of the limited fund of four lacs at our disposal for emergent and isolated works, an expenditure of not more than 2,20,147 Rupees was authorized by us from May to December of the same year as follows, four months of the official year being yet left at the date of our report to the Government of India.

Emergent works above 1,000 Rupees sanctioned from

<i>1st May to 18th December 1858.</i>	
Irrigation works	9,910
Communications	25,710
Buildings	1,01,837
	1,37,457
<i>Under 1,000 Rupees.</i>	
Irrigation works	1,306
Communications	2,744
Buildings	5,368
	9,418
<i>Out of the One Lac Fund.</i>	
Irrigation works	5,613
Communications	22,006
Buildings	45,653
	73,272
	Rupees..... 2,20,147

We mention these facts in order to shew your Lordship how careful we have been in economizing the Public Works expenditure of this Presidency, at a time when there was a peculiar necessity for economy.

We have the honor to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordships most obedient

humble Servants,

Fort Saint George, }
10th March 1859. }

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Public Works Dept.

To

The Right Honble the Secretary of State

for India,

My Lord,

In pursuance of

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Para 37 of the letter in this

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* dated 3rd January 1859, No 2.
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General Budget Map.

2. Your Lordship will ob-
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In Barracks at Secunderabad - 42,767

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Of the thirteen fresh projects, nine are above a lac of rupees each in estimated cost, and nine under the rules have to be referred by the Govt of India for your Lordships further sanction of the Home Secy. They are the following, being four, Military; one, Judicial; one, a Channel ^{connected with the St. Lawrence Annals;} Improvement; and three, Roads.

No. 12. Diverting the Mopodi Channel to Masulipatam, Rs. 1,45,089.

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6. Taking the two Statements together, it will be seen that the total estimated cost of all the projects proposed to be executed, in part, or wholly, in 1859/60 amounts to 17,60,922 Rs. Of this estimated total, it is computed that 46,42,401 Rs. will have been laid out up to 30th April 1859. Rs 2,57,288 is proposed to be expended in 1859/60, and 10,61,600 Rs will thus be left to be worked out in future years as shown below.

	Amount of Estimate	Actual Ex- penditure to October 1858 and probable to 30 th April 1859	Amount required for expenditure in 1859/60.	Remaining amount left for completion
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7. Statement No. 3 shows the proposed expenditure under Statements No. 1 and 2 in a condensed form, and the probable outlay on repairs in each District, classified under the three grand divisions of works, viz. Irrigation Works, Communications, and Buildings. The following table is abstracted from it, and it will be seen that the total outlay proposed in this Presidency in 1859/60 for specified works under all heads inclusive of repairs is only Rs. 52,36,966.

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 expenditure far exceeding the
 above sum; and that it was with

* Expenditure proposed for 1858/59 - 71,77,575.
 — do — do — for 1859/60 - 52,36,966
Difference Rs. 19,40,609.

+ New Works
 Amount sanctioned in Major
 Strachey's letter 25 Sept/58, No.
 4606, in statements No. 1..... 5,33,600.
 — do — do — No. 2..... 9,25,596.
14,59,256
Repairs
 - do. proposed in the Budget 21,56,615.
 - do. subsequently sanctioned - 4,87,621.
Total admitted for 1858/59..... 41,03,492.
 Proposed for 1859/60 ———— 52,36,966.
Difference Rs. 11,33,474.

great reluctance that we were
 compelled to refuse entry to so
 many much needed works. We
 adhered however to the principles
 enunciated in the commence-
 ment of our letter to the Govt
 of India, and left it to them
 to sanction the whole, or such
 portion only, of the expenditure
 proposed, as they may deem pro-
 per to place at the disposal of
 this Govt on a review of the finances.
 We at the same time recorded
 our conviction, in respect
 to the outlay on works absolutely
 required for the welfare of the
 Country being limited with re-
 ference to the present Revenue
 of the Presidency, that it would
 be preferable to consider the ques-
 tion apart from the Revenue,
 and to treat it as one on which
 a Public Loan might more pro-
 perly be raised, a view we believe
 under the impression that has been

already adopted by most Indian Statesmen.

For the sake of comparison, we contrast the expenditure proposed in the Budgets of three years previous to 1859/60, with that actually sanctioned or admitted by the Govt of India respectively; these sums not including the four lacs set apart for emergent and isolated works.

Year.	Proposed expenditure.	Total expenditure actually committed.
	Rs.	Rs.
1856/57	82,55,261.	53,71,580.
1857/58	67,59,671.	30,46,562.
1858/59	71,77,575.	41,03,492.
1859/60	52,36,966.	"

In July 1857, the Govt of India placed a restriction on the Public Works Expenditure of this Presidency. The number of works exempted from the operation of these orders from January to 20th Decr 1858 amounted to one hundred and three, but the expenditure authorized on these amounted only to 5,20,537 Rs. and out of the limited fund of four lacs at our disposal for emergent

and isolated works, an expenditure of not more than 2,20,147 Rs. was authorized by us from May to December of the same year as follows, four months of the official year being yet left at the date of our report to the Govt of India.

Emergent works above 1000 Rs sanctioned from 1st May to 18th Decr 1858

Irrigation Works --- 9,910
Communications --- 25,740
Buildings --- 1,01,837 1,37,487.

Under 1000 Rs.

Irrigation Works --- 1,306
Communications --- 2,744
Buildings --- 5,368 9,418.

Out of the one lac fund

Irrigation Works --- 5,613.
Communications --- 22,006.
Buildings --- 45,653 73,272.

Rs 3,20,147.

We mention these facts, in order to show your Lordship how careful we have been in economizing the Public Works Expenditure of this Presidency, at a time when there was a pecuniary necessity for economy. We have &c

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No. 2.

Letter to the Right
Honorable the Secretary of
State for India.

Dated 10th March 1859.

Orig: J. P. M. M. M. 12th March

Dup: J. P.

Trip: J. P. M. M. M. 18th March

Copy to the Govt. of India
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Transmitting forty
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Government of India on the
Budget of Public works for the
Madras Presidency for 1859/60.

19th Feb 1859