

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,  
5th February 1872.*

No. 79. Read the following Circular from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Irrigation,) to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Irrigation Branch,) dated Fort William, 6th January 1872, No. 4:—

I AM instructed by His Excellency the Governor-General to request that you will impress on all officers of the Irrigation Department, the necessity for greater care in future in estimating for land required to be taken up for canals or other irrigation works.

2. In all such cases the District Authorities should be consulted before estimates are framed, and the statements of those Officers as to the value of the land should invariably accompany the estimates when submitted for sanction.

3. His Excellency has had occasion lately to express extreme dissatisfaction at the want of care evinced in the preparation of the original estimate for land taken up for a canal. It amounted to less than one lakh, and after scarcely two years had elapsed it became necessary to submit a revised estimate amounting to nearly three lakhs. Other instances of a like kind have occurred.

4. The submission, by Executive Engineers, of such unreliable estimates, and the passing them on by the superior officers, who thus mislead the Government in respect to the cost of the undertakings committed to their supervision, is very discreditable to the department, and the Governor-General in Council must, after this warning, visit with severe displeasure any repetition of such remissness.

No. 80. ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1872, No. 341.

IRRIGATION, No. 6.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineers for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

To all other Superintending Engineers.

To Major R. B. Kennedy.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

„ Revenue Department.

„ Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

IRRIGATION.

To

CIRCULAR No. 3 PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January 6, 1872.

Received, 17<sup>th</sup> Jan/72.

Requests that the attention of all officers of the Irrigation Branch be drawn to the necessity for greater care in future in Estimating for land required to be taken up for canals or other irrigation works.

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With an order

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Comm. to the S. Engineer, and for information

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