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Government of Madras

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
23rd April 1873.*

No. 394. Read again letter from Lieutenant-Colonel P. O'CONNELL, R. E., Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Buildings and Roads,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 7th March 1873, No. 97 A. B., and recorded in G. O., No. 951, dated 27th March 1873:—

With reference to your application No. 145, dated 16th January last, for certain re-appropriations of Budget credits, I am directed to convey the sanction of the Government of India to the re-appropriations therein proposed with the exception of that for the Harbour Works at Cochin, as, in the opinion of this department, all harbours in Madras should, financially, be treated as Provincial. This matter is under consideration in the Financial Department, and pending a decision I am to suggest that funds for the Cochin Harbour Works be made available from Provincial resources.

No. 395. Read also the following Proceedings in the Financial Department, dated 11th October 1872, No. 1,402.

No. 396. ORDER THEREON, 23rd April 1873, No. 1,174.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 33.

ORDERED that the following letter be sent.

(Here enter No. 1,175, dated 23rd April 1872.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

*7. Vide G.O. No. 951 of
27 March 1873*

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 23rd April 1873.

No. 397.

No. 1,175.

From

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 34.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter, No. 97 A. B.,
dated 7th March 1873, in which the

sanction of the Government of India is withheld to a transfer from Imperial
Funds on account of the Cochin Harbour Works, as, in the opinion of the Public
Works Department, all harbours in Madras should, financially, be treated as
Provincial.

2. In reply, I am to point out that, looking to the amount of the Provincial
assignment of this Presidency, it could not, in the opinion of His Excellency the
Governor in Council, have been intended that works of such importance as
those under reference should be included under "Miscellaneous Public Improve-
ment" when the grant for that head of service was fixed in the Resolution of the
Supreme Government, No. 3,334, dated 14th December 1870. His Excellency in
Council is strengthened in this belief by an examination of the figures upon which
the permanent grant was based, viz., the allotments for the year 1870-71.

It is observed that of the works*
provided for in that year under "Mis-
cellaneous Public Improvement" none,
excepting perhaps the restoration of
the Madras Pier, were of any magni-
tude, and that the total assignment for this head of service amounted in the
aggregate only to Rupees 38,800, of which Rupees 25,000 were absorbed by
Minor Works and Repairs.

3. Under these circumstances His Excellency the Governor in Council trusts
that besides the claims of the Cochin Harbour Works those of the new lighthouses
at Cadiapatam* and Cape Comorin,†

and the lighthouse‡ or light-ship|| to
be placed at Cocanada will be taken
into consideration when deciding the

general question in the Financial Department. The papers in connection
with these lighthouses are forwarded herewith for the information of the Right

* Restoration of Madras Pier	...	RS.	5,000
Cutting the inner angle of the reef	...		
channel, Madura District	...		3,000
Deepening the Paumben channel	...		5,800
Minor Works	...		10,000

* Estimate Rupees 10,000 (approximate.)

† " " 11,750
‡ " " 60,000 (do.)
|| " " 73,000 (do.)

Honourable the Governor General in Council. The question whether a light-house or light-ship shall be placed at Cocanada is under reference to Colonel A. Fraser, R. E., C. B., Chief Engineer, North-Western Provinces.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
11th October 1872.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 153. From the Master Attendant, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 26th September 1872, No. 5308.

Administrative Department.

I have the honour to bring the following items in connexion with the Marine Budget for 1873-74 (which is now in course of preparation) before the Government for consideration and early orders thereon.

2. G. O., No. 209, of date 21st August last, in the Marine Department, communicated to me the Proceedings of Government, Public Works Department, No. 1915, of date 12th idem, sanctioning the construction of a floating light vessel for Cocanada, and directing me to make provision for the same in the Marine Budget for 1873-74.

3. This I have accordingly done with the following result :—

	RS.
Estimated Port Fund receipts for the year 1873-74...	1,60,000
Estimated expenditure on establishment and contingencies, including a sum of 45,775 Rupees for a floating light vessel, apparatus, and establishment, debitable to the Port Fund	1,55,806

Balance available for Public Works Port Fund Budget. 4,194

It is apparent by this statement that this sum is totally inadequate to meet the wants of the several outports, and I would, therefore, suggest that the cost of so expensive a work as the light vessel be met in equal proportions from the General Port Fund and Imperial Revenues. If, however, the Government decide otherwise, then I shall be obliged to abstain from making any provision in the Budget for works of improvement at Cocanada, Cochin, Mangalore, and Negapatam.

4. I would take this opportunity of remarking that the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, has set down in his estimate, forwarded through the Collector of Malabar, no less a sum than 2,00,000 Rupees for Cochin Harbour improvements, groynes, &c. This sum, of course, it will be utterly impracticable to provide for in the Marine Budget; but I would respectfully state that, in my opinion, works of this nature, being protective works for the town of Cochin, are from their nature debitable to Imperial Revenues. The Government have already, in G. O., No. 60, dated 21st March 1872, Marine Department, pronounced a similar opinion on the Tranquebar groynes, which were directed to be executed from the Public Works Department Budget.

No. 154. From the Master Attendant, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 30th September 1872, No. 5387.

Administrative Department.

I have the honour to forward the undermentioned Budget statements for the Official year 1873-74 :—

Estimate of Receipts.

Do. of Disbursements.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
11th October 1872.*

2. The estimates of Local Funds receipts and disbursements and of charges for light-houses are held in abeyance pending the orders of Government on this office letter No. 5308, of 26th instant.

No. 155. ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1872, No. 1402.

The Governor in Council concurs in the opinion that the Cochin Harbour works must be viewed as an Imperial undertaking and that the necessary provision for the expenditure must be made in the Public Works Budget. The Master Attendant will with this view forward to Government the estimate which he has received.

2. The Governor in Council is also of opinion that the first charge for the light vessel and apparatus to be stationed off Point Divi should not be debited against Port Funds. The Master Attendant will, therefore, include the amount in the Marine Imperial Budget, which will be returned for revision.

(True Extract.)

Cal. alon
Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

Provision will be made in the outgoing budget and the Govt. of India requested to sanction a grant for the works.

*No 395
6.10.1872*

*P. W. 1872 Department
Principal Secy. Civil*
Govt. of 1872 Madras.
No 5174.
FINANCIAL.

To THE MASTER ATTENDANT,
Madras,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 11th.
Recd. — 25" Encl.
G. O., 11th October 1872, No. 1402.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 153-155.

Pointing out the sources from which the cost of the Cochin Harbour works and of the light vessel and apparatus to be stationed off Point Divi should be met.

No 11/10/72

Public Works Departt

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read again letter from
the Government of India dated
7th March 1873, No. 97 A. R. & Recorded
in G. O. No. 951 dated 27th March 1873.
Read also the following Pro-
ceedings in the Civil Dept. of 11th Oct. 1872, No. 1402.
Order thereon April 1873.
No. 1174

Ordered that the
following letter be
sent.

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No. 1175

To The Secy. to the
Govt. of India

Sir, I am directed to
acknowledge the
receipt of your letter
No 97 A. B. dated 7 March
1873 in which the
sanction of the Govt. of
India is withheld to
a transfer from
Imperial Funds on
account of the Cochin
Harbour works, as in
the opinion of the Public
Works Department all
harbours in Madras
should, financially,
be treated as Provincial.

In reply I am to
point out that, looking
to

W.H.

to the amount of the Provisional assignment of this Presidency, it could not, in the opinion of His Excellency the Governor in Council, have been intended that works of such importance as those under reference should be included under "His Public Improvement" when the grant for that head of service was fixed in the Resolution of the Supreme Government No 3334 dated 14 Dec: 1870. His Excellency in Council is strengthened in this belief by an examination of the figures upon which the permanent grant was based, viz, the allotments for the year

* Restoration of Madras Pier — 5000
Cutting the inner angle of the Reef Channel Madras D^o — 3000
Deepening the Kaumbin Channel — 5800
Minor Works — 10,000

year 1870-71. It is observed that of the works provided for in that year under "His Public Improvement" none, excepting perhaps the Restoration of the Madras Pier, were of any magnitude, and that the total assignment for this head of service amounted in the aggregate only to Rs 38,800, of which Rs 25,000 were absorbed by Minor Works and Repairs.

Under these circumstances His Excellency the Governor in Council trusts that besides the claims of the Cochin Harbour Works those of

new Light Houses

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Note - The foregoing
... is correct - no pro-
... can be made for
... in the Imperial Budget
under "Misc. Public Improvement" without
the sanction of the Govt. of India, and an
addition to the present heads of Service.

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Memorandum

* Military Buildings.
Civil Buildings.
Agricultural.

The undersigned has
the honor to point out with reference
to the G.O. in the Financial Depart-
ment No. 1402, dated 11th October
1872, that no provision can appar-
ently be made in the Imperial
Budget of the Public Works Depart-
ment for the Cochin Harbour
Works without the express sanction
of the Supreme Government and
in addition to the present heads
of Service. He requests to be
informed whether it is desired that
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a reference to the Government of
India should be made in this
Department.

Colonel P.E.

Secretary to Govt
P.W. Dept.

November 1872 }

The Chief Secretary
to Government.
Financial Department.

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Govt. of (1873) India
PUBLIC WORKS.

The Secretary to the
Govt. of India

Encl.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 23rd April No 1174 & 1175

No. 394 & 397

Funds. Paying orders
on the subject of funds
for the Cochin Harbour
Works & certain light-
houses:

Urging the necessity
for the provision of funds
for the Cochin Harbour
Works & certain light-
houses.

N^o 394-97.

of the new Light Houses
 at Cadiapatan and estimate \$10,000 (approximately)
 Cape Comorin, and the \$ — 11,750
 Light House or Light \$ — 60,000 (approximate)
 Ship to be placed at \$ — 73,000 —

Coconada will be
 taken into consideration
 when deciding the
 general question in
 the Financial Dept.
 The papers in connection
 with these Light Houses
 are forwarded herewith
 for the information
 of the Rt. Hon. the
 Gov. Genl. in Council.
 The question whether
 a light House or
 light ship shall
 be placed at Co-
 conada is re-
 ferred to
 Col. R. Dwyer R.S.
 C.B. Chief Secy.
 N. W. Provinces -

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 with the India Co. 216 of 1873

The Light House of Coconada
 is a small building
 on a small island
 in the Bay of Bengal
 and is a very good
 one for the purpose
 of a light house
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 of a light house