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Government of Madras

Public Works DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th June 1873.*

No. 194. Read the following letter from T. MOSS, Esq., Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 28th May 1873, No. 734:—

It is the practice for Range Officers to report to the Controller of Public Works Accounts the commencement of emergent works when undertaken without allotment of funds. Such reports, though of no real use in this office, should certainly be made to District Engineers, to enable them to arrange promptly for the allotment of funds, and, if necessary, to stop the progress of works in cases in which they may not agree with Range Officers as to urgency of the works.

2. Having said above that the reports from Range Officers are of no real use in this office, I may explain that they are simply recorded as confirmatory of the fact that commencement of work was reported. It is true that if in any case a work appears in the Progress Report as commenced without allotment, and of which no report was made at the time, the omission to submit the report is noticed by this office to the Range Officer; but I need hardly observe that no useful purpose is served by noticing the omission of reports which, when actually received, are simply recorded. The reports, moreover, do not prevent expenditure being classed as "Objectionable" if shown in Progress Reports to have been incurred without allotment of funds. The "objection" in such cases is technical, that is, it exists only from an accounts point of view, and is not removed till funds are actually allotted.

3. If the above remarks be approved by Government, I beg that District Engineers and Range Officers may be instructed to discontinue the practice of submitting reports, of the kind mentioned, to the Controller's Office. I may add that the only Order on the subject is that contained in G. O., No. 721A, of the 7th March 1870.

No. 195. ORDER THEREON, 14th June 1873, No. 1,564.

ACCOUNT, No. 12.

As the Officiating Controller considers that the special reports ordered to be submitted by Range Officers in G. O., No. 721A, dated 7th March 1870, are of no practical utility so far as his office is concerned, His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves to authorize their discontinuance.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
To District Engineers.
To the Executive Engineer, Wynaad.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts,
Fort Saint George, 28 May 1873.

N^o. 734

From
The Offg: Controller of P.W. Accounts,
To,

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

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Your most obedient servant,


Offg. Controller of T. & N. Accounts

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Under date the 187 .

Read the following:—

From the *Memorandum* { N^o 734 } 28 May/73
P. M. L. S.

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From
The Offg. Controller of
P. M. L. S.

To,
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort St George.

Dated 28th

Recd 29th May 1873.

N^o 11/734

Submits proposal
for the discontinuance
of the practice of Range
Officers forwarding to
this Office, Reports
of Works undertaken
in emergency.

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Governor in Council
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their discontinuance.

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The Off Controller
J.W.A.
District Engineer
Executive Eng^r Appad.
Dated 21/6/73

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The Offg Controller of
P.W. Accounts

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Date Encl.

14th Dec 1873 No. 1564.

For 1944/195

Reports. Authorizing
the disbursement
of the subscription to
the Controller of P.W.
Accounts of reports of
work undertaken
in emergency.