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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE

Government of Madras

Public works

DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	2438	Press
B.P. No.		Mis.
68-69		
Dated	4-10-	1951/8.73

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th October 1873.*

No. 68. 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, 13th September 1873, No. 3,688 :—

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of G. O., No. 2,222, of the 8th instant, regarding completion reports, and to explain, for the information of Government, that my action in the matter (which has been thought surprising) was not based on my individual opinion, but on the "practice of this office," which practice

I beg to add has been regarded as in strict accordance with the orders* of Government in requiring explanation of

both increase and decrease of *expenditure* as estimated.

2. The Forms A and B referred to in the order quoted above were altered to what the forms are now by G. O., No. 3,347, of the 8th November 1865, on the recommendation of the Controller, Mr. Brock, who has always required that the difference between the estimated and actual cost should be explained. I find that explanation was required of savings so trifling as 8 Annas, and therefore I trust that the Government will be pleased to do me the kindness to make known to all officers who have received G. O., No. 2,222, of the 8th instant, that I have satisfactorily explained my action in the matter.

3. I should add that the forms of and requirements regarding completion reports are peculiar to Madras, and that it was for this reason that I was particular in my first letter to say that I had acted "in accordance with the practice of this office."

No. 69. ORDER THEREON, 4th October 1873, No. 2,438.

ACCOUNT, No. 7.

ORDERED to be recorded. It does not appear to His Excellency the Governor in Council that any explanation was called for.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. W. H. French.

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Public Works Department
No 5062

From
The Officer Controller of
P.W. Accounts.

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

Dated 13 September 1873.
Recd 15

No 3688

Submits explanation with
reference to the course pursued
by this Office in requiring
Completion Reports to ac-
count for differences between
Estimated and Actual
cost of Works.

With Order

19/9

Control & revised 9/10/73

not appear to his Excellency the Governor
in Council that any explanation is re-
quired for or required

W.P.M.

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On 25/9/73
sent to the Public Works Department

CP 5062

Govt. of 1873

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Offg. Controlling
Accounts

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

9. 04th Oct^r

1873 2438

Nos. 689 & 69

Completion reports.

Letter from the Controller
of P. W. Accts. submitting
Explanation with re-
ference to G. L. No
2222 of 1873 regarding
Completion reports, &c.
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