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No. 414. Read the following letter from Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 1st April 1874, No. 184 A.—G. :—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 3,068, dated 20th December 1873, and, in reply, to forward herewith, for information and guidance, the orders passed on the Madras Imperial Public Works Budget Estimate for 1874-75.

MADRAS IMPERIAL PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET ORDERS 1874-75.

	RS.
The Madras Public Works Budget Estimate for 1874-75 has been framed for a total Ordinary grant of	8,59,000
But from this sum	50,000
is deducted from the grant for the combined Post and Telegraph Office building at Madras, the allotment for which is reduced from Rs. 96,000 to Rupees 46,000. The reduction in grant is made by reason of the detailed estimate for the building not having been sanctioned as yet. When sanctioned, an adequate grant for the work will probably be allowed in 1875-76. This reduction will bring down the total of the estimate to distributed as follows :— ...	8,09,000

	Original Works.			Repairs.	Establishment.	Tools and Plant.	Total.
	Major Works.	Minor Works.	Total.				
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Military	2,27,400	84,000	3,11,400	2,50,000	1,30,000	8,600	7,00,000
Civil Buildings	62,000	14,500	76,500	2,500	28,000	2,000	1,09,000
Total...	2,89,400	98,500	3,87,900	2,52,500	1,58,000	10,600	8,09,000

Of this sum the provision for expenditure in England according to the estimate rendered by the Secretary of State is Rupees 11,000, and the expenditure in India should therefore be restricted by a like amount.

2. It has to be noticed that in the Budget Estimate submitted, the charges for Establishment and Tools and Plant have not been apportioned between Military and other services. It is necessary that this should be done, and it is requested that the point may be borne in mind in the preparation of future estimates.

3. The provision for Original Works, Military, is as follows :—

	RS.
For works in progress...	33,840
For new works...	1,93,560
Total...	2,27,400

4. The provision for works in progress is thus made up—

—	Amount of Estimate.	Computed outlay to end of 1873-74.	Grant, 1874-75.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Sick Horse Lines for Royal Artillery, Bellary	...	8,450	4,780
Renewal of Government Bakery at Bangalore	...	26,000	8,000
Drainage of the Lines of the Native Infantry at Bangalore	14,400	5,000	9,400
Quarters for one Sub-Conductor and two Staff Serjeants of the Ordnance Department, Trichinopoly	10,800	6,760	4,000
Earthern traverses in Gun-powder Manufactory, Madras ...	9,400	1,740	7,660
	...	...	33,840

5. It is noticed that the estimate for the renewal of the Government Bakery at Bangalore was entered in the Budget Estimate for 1873-74 as amounting to Rupees 24,150, whereas in the present Budget the work is shown as likely to cost Rupees 34,000. The amount of the revised estimate for the work when it is sanctioned by the Government of Madras should be reported to the Government of India.

6. The provision for new Military Works is as follows :—

—	Amount of Estimate.	Grant for works for which estimates have been sanctioned.	Grant for works for which estimates have not been sanctioned.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Additional barrack for European Infantry at Bellary.	95,600	40,000	.....	
2. Hospital for Body-guard, including quarters for Apothecary at Mount Road, Madras	.....	.....	16,000	
3. Quarters for Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Commissariat Department at Royapooram...	33,500	20,000	.....	
4. New Recreation-room and Canteen to Race-course Barracks, Bangalore	.....	.....	25,000	
5. Slaughter-house, Bangalore	13,080	13,000	.....	
6. District Engineer's Office at Bangalore	6,030	6,000	.....	
7. Quarters for Officers at Malliapooram	.....	.....	8,200	
8. Do. for an Apothecary of the Sappers and Miners, Bangalore	4,400	4,000	... ..	
9. Quarters for Conductor and Staff Serjeant of the Commissariat Department at Cannanore	10,230	4,650	.....	
10. Eleven other works estimated to cost under Rs. 10,000 each	.....	56,710	.....	
	.....	1,44,360	49,200	1,93,560

7. Of the above, the following may be noted—

Item 1.—*Additional Barrack for European Infantry at Bellary, Rupees* 40,000. The Government of Madras lately made an application for an additional grant of one lakh for expenditure during the current year 1873-74 on Military Works, "which have been specially recommended by the Military authorities for immediate execution as being urgently required." The application was refused as no funds were available. The additional barrack at Bellary was one of these urgently required works. The grant for the work for next year is therefore allowed.

Item 3.—*Quarters for Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Commissariat Department at Royapooram, Rupees* 20,000.—From the orders on the preliminary Budget it would seem that the number of quarters to be provided is 8, but information should be called for

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as to the present charge for rent of the houses of the Subordinates for whom it is intended to build quarters, and whether it would not be cheaper to continue to pay compensation instead of building houses. Meanwhile, the grant may stand, but no expenditure should be incurred until the information called for is received and orders passed thereon by the Government of India.

Item 6.—*District Engineer's Office at Bangalore, Rupees* 6,000.—This is a Provincial Fund work, the grant for buildings for the Public Works Department having been included in the Provincial Public Works allotment. The provision for the purpose is therefore disallowed from the Imperial grant. Proposals for its specific appropriation to other Military Works should be submitted for the orders of the Government of India.

Item 7.—*Quarters for Officers at Malliapooram, Rupees* 8,200.—The return which the State would derive by the construction of the quarters should be reported. The grant may stand.

Item 9.—*Quarters for Conductor and Staff Serjeant of the Commissariat Department at Cannanore Rupees* 4,650, *estimated cost being Rupees* 10,230.—The rate per man is Rupees 5,115 against Rupees 3,600 for quarters of Ordnance Subordinates at Trichinopoly. It is true a Conductor has more spacious quarters than either a Sub-Conductor or a Staff Serjeant. The rate, however, seems very high, and information of its cause should be furnished as also information of the amount paid at present for rent. The grant may stand.

Works for which there are no sanctioned estimates as follows :—

	RS.
Item 2.—Hospital for Body-guard and quarters for Apothecary at Mount Road, Madras	16,000
Item 4.—New Recreation-room and Canteen to Race-course Barracks at Bangalore	25,000
Item 7.—Quarters for Officers at Malliapooram	8,200

The Government of Madras beg that the grant for these works may be allowed to stand, the works being urgent. But their urgency should have been briefly explained. The provision may, however, stand on the distinct understanding that no expenditure whatever is incurred until the estimates have been sanctioned by competent authority.

8. Under Repairs, Military, the provision is made in a lump sum without any detail to show how the amount is likely to be spent. It is necessary that information on this point should be furnished, in which view the Government of Madras should submit a revised schedule showing distinctly by each Station the sum required for repairs to buildings for each arm of the service.

9. Under Civil Buildings, the reduced grant for the combind Post and Telegraph Office building at Madras is Rupees 46,000. It should be understood that no expenditure whatever is to be incurred on this work until the estimate for it has been sanctioned by the Government of India.

10. For Establishment, the amount provided as debitable to Imperial funds is ... ... RS.

	RS.
The grant for works and repairs is	1,58,000
Percentage	6,40,400
	25

It has to be noted that Appendix A. of the Budget Estimate has not been prepared according to the revised Form issued with Public Works Department Circular No. 63 of 1871. It is necessary that the information required by that Form, viz, the cost of Establishment in each Division compared with the provision for outlay on Works and Repairs in it, should be furnished, and a revised Appendix A. in substitution of that in the Budget Estimate should be submitted.

PUBLIC WORKS REVENUE.

11. The estimate is accepted for an even sum of Rupees 75,000, viz. :—

	RS.
Tolls, dues, fees, fines, and refunds	6,700
Rents of buildings	18,000
Sales of produce	200
,, of buildings, old materials, and tools and plant	50,100
	75,000

The sum set down as the probable realizations by sales of buildings, old materials and tools and plant seems large. The Government of India would be glad to receive a detail of the items making up the probable receipts.

FORT WILLIAM,
17th March 1874.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R.A.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 415. ORDER THEREON, 29th April 1874, No. 1,113.

ACCOUNT, No. 30.

THE foregoing orders of the Government of India on the Imperial Public Works Budget Estimate for 1874-75 will be communicated to the Officers of the Public Works Department in continuation of G. O., No. 3,067, of 20th December 1873.

2. The original assignment of Rupees 8,50,000 for Public Works in this Presidency has been reduced by Rupees 50,000, which has been taken from the proposed grant of Rupees 96,000 for the combined Post and Telegraph Office at Madras. The grant for tools and plant as at first allotted was Rupees 10,600, which was appropriated by this Government as follows :—

	Rs.
Home supplies	7,553
Indian charges...	3,017

The provision for expenditure in England is now stated at Rupees 11,000. The adjustment of the excess will be a matter for consideration as the year advances.

3. The attention of the Controller and the District Engineer, Presidency, is requested to the instructions in paragraph 2.

4. The Government of India will be informed, with reference to paragraph 5, that the amount of the revised estimate sanctioned by this Government for the renewal of the Government Bakery at Bangalore is Rupees 35,700.

5. The District Engineer, Presidency, will submit the information called for in paragraph 7 (item 3), regarding the quarters proposed to be constructed for Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Commissariat Department at Royapooram. No outlay on the buildings should be incurred until the final orders of the Government of India are received.

6. As the Government of India object to the District Engineer's Office at Bangalore being constructed from Military Funds, the question of the provision of a grant from the provincial assignment will be considered in connection with other demands for 1874-75 under Provincial Civil Buildings.

7. The District Engineer, Malabar, will supply the information called for in paragraph 7 (Items 7 and 9); and the Inspecting Engineer for Buildings will be requested to expedite the submission of the estimates for the Officers' quarters at Malliapooram and quarters for Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Body-guard, which have been remitted to him on the dates marginally noted.

25th February and 15th January 1874, respectively.

8. The plans and estimates for the new recreation-room and canteen to Race-course Barracks at Bangalore, have been received from the Inspecting Engineer and are under consideration.

9. The Inspecting Engineer for Buildings will, in communication with District Engineers and Local Military Authorities, submit the schedule required by the Government of India in paragraph 8 as far as it may be possible to prepare one, and that Government will be furnished with a copy of G. O., No. 39*, dated 5th February 1873, from which it will be seen that to ensure the profitable utilization of the grant for repairs under Military a certain proportion of that grant, supposed to be equivalent to one-fourth of the year's expenditure, is placed at the disposal of the District Engineer for appropriation, and the remainder is at the disposal of the Inspecting Engineer, who is expected to allot the money with reference to the probable requirements of each district during the remainder of the year. The expediency of this arrangement is now under reconsideration.

10. The attention of the Consulting Architect is drawn to the instructions in paragraph 9.

11. The Controller of Public Works Accounts will attend to the orders in paragraphs 10 and 11, and submit the revised Statements called for.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 416. (DOCKET No. 1,114, dated 29th April 1874.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

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Read the following:-

From the Secretary to the Government of India } (H. D. No. 184 A.G. d/ 1st April 1874)

The foregoing orders of the Govt. of India on the Imperial P. W. Budget Estimate for 1874-75 will be communicated to the Officers of the P. W. Dept: in continuation of G.O. No. 3067 of 20th December 1873.

The original assignment of Rs: 859,000 for Public Works in this Presidency has been reduced by Rs: 50,000 which has been taken from the proposed grant of Rs: 96,000 for the combined Post and Telegraph Offices at

at Madras. The grant for Tools and Plant as at first allotted was Rs: 10,500 which was appropriated by this Government as follows:-

Home supplies— Rs: 7553
Repair charges— " 3947

The provision for expenditure in England is now stated at Rs: 11000. The adjustment of the excess will be a matter for consideration as the year advances.

The attention of the Controller and the District Engineer Presidency is requested to the instructions in para 2.

The Government of India will be informed with reference to para. 5

that the amount of the revised estimate sanctioned by this Govt. for the renewal of the Government Bakery at Bangalore is Rs: 3570.

The Chief Engineer Presidency will submit the information called for in para 7 (item 3) regarding the Quarters proposed to be constructed for Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Commissariat Department at Royapooram. No outlay on the buildings should be incurred until the final orders of the Govt. of India are

are received.

As the Govt. of India objects the Dy Engineers Offices at Bangalore being constructed from Military Funds, the question of provision of a grant from the Provincial assignment will be considered in connection with other demands for 1874-75 under Provincial Civil Buildings.

The Dy Engineer Malabar will supply the information called for in para 7 (items 7 & 9) and the Inspecting Engineer for Buildings will be requested to expedite the

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the submission of the estimates for the Officers' Quarters at Trallicherry and Quarters for Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Body Guard which have been remitted to him on the dates marginally noted.

25th Febry. & 15th Janry: 1874, respectively.

The plans and Estimates for the Fumigation room and canteen in Race Course Barracks at Bangalore have been received from the Inspecting Engineer and are under consideration.

The Inspecting Engr

for

for Buildings will in communication with District Engineers and Local Military Authorities submit the Schedule required by the Government of India in para 8 as far as it may be possible to prepare one, and that Govt. will be furnished with a copy of G. O. No. 392 dated 5th February 1873, from which it will be seen that to ensure the profitable utilization of the Grant for repairs under Military a certain proportion of that grant supposed to be equivalent to one fourth of the year's expenditure

expenditure is placed at the disposal of the Dt. Engineer for appropriation and the remainder is at the disposal of the Inspecting Engineer who is expected to allot the money with reference to the probable requirements of each District during the remainder of the year. The expediency of this arrangement is now under reconsideration

The attention of the Consulting Architect is drawn to the instructions in para 9.

The Controller of

P.W. Accounts will attend to the orders in paras 10 and 11, and submit the revised Statements called for.

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