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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
20th August 1874.*

No. 499C. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Civil Works—Communications,) dated Fort William, 29th July 1874, No. 338—42-C:—

Transfer to Madras, and future maintenance, etc., of the Navigation Works at the First Barrier of the Godavery.

Read again:—

Proceedings Public Works (B. and R. Comms.) July 1871, Nos. 13—72.
 " " (") December 1871, Nos. 1—7.
 " " (") February 1872, " 22—3.
 " " (") September " " 1—5.
 " " (") October " " 8—9.
 " " (") February 1873, " 1—2 and 6—7, Part B.
 Letter from Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, No. 1,100, dated 4th March 1873.

Proceedings (B. and R. Comms.) March 1874, Nos. 1—2.

" (") May " " 1 and 30, Part B.

Home Department Notification, No. 1,483, dated 22nd May 1874.

Letters to Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, and Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Nos. 428—9 ^{E.} _{M. and C.} of 22nd June 1874.

Read also:—

Letter from Madras, No. 1,432 D of 29th May 1874.

OBSERVATIONS.—It was determined after much discussion towards the close of the year 1871 to abandon the works of the 2nd Barrier, and propose the transfer of the control and management of those at the 1st Barrier to the Government of Madras. Subsequently it was resolved to transfer also to Madras the territory around the 1st Barrier, comprising the taluqs of Budrachellum and Rakapilly. The transfer of the land was, with the consent of the Governments concerned, accordingly carried into effect from the 1st April of the current year, and it remains now to arrange about the future maintenance of the works.

2. About the middle of last year, Colonel F. H. Rundall, R.E., lately Inspector-General of Irrigation Works, visited the Godavery Works and submitted a memorandum of suggestions for their extension and improvement. His proposals were referred to the Government of Madras for an expression of its views, and in the letter last read, that Government intimates its readiness to carry them out on the understanding that necessary additions are made to the Public Works Budget and Establishment of the Presidency for the purpose, and that the works are treated in future as "Imperial." For the present year it is said that grants of Rupees 20,000 estimated for the Executive Engineer, Supervisor, Commander of Transport Service, with Petty Office and Medical Establishments, as understood to be now maintained, of Rupees 7,000 for maintenance of the 1st Barrier Works, and of Rupees 3,000 for coal-boring experiments, or a total of Rupees 30,000 will suffice, while in future Budgets not less than 15 lakhs of rupees in such instalments as may be convenient will be needed for the completion of the long channel below the Barrier, required to render the channel navigable for eight instead of five months of the year.

3. With regard to the grant of Rupees 30,000 asked for this year, it is observed that this amount has been allowed under "Imperial" in the Public Works Budget of the Central Provinces, and it will accordingly be transferred, with the expenditure incurred against it, to Madras.

4. It is here to be remarked that the Government of India had no intention of recommending to the Government of Madras to carry out the improvements and extensions of the works suggested by Colonel Rundall, having merely referred the subject for consideration. It is the decided opinion of the Government of India that, whether the works be considered Local or Imperial, no improvements and extensions should be sanctioned, except on the ground that they will increase the return on the capital invested in the works. If they remain Imperial, the Government of India would require very full and complete details from the Local Government and its Officers to prove the advisability of every proposal to incur expenditure in view to increased returns. In some cases the action of the Government of India might tend to retard improvements that may be really desirable. It has always been considered that the works would be managed with less friction and a better chance of proving profitable if the Local Government were left to control them with the greater freedom which would be proper in the case of Provincial or Local Works.

5. In this case, moreover, the profits would, of course, go to Provincial Funds. And as it is proposed to transfer to those funds both the works constructed at a considerable capital outlay and the normal grant for maintenance, it is thought that the Government of Madras may not be unwilling to accept the charge.

6. The Governor General in Council is thus of opinion that both the works and grants should henceforth become "Provincial," the latter up to an amount suited to the limited scale on which the works are now maintained. That amount should accordingly be at once ascertained by the Government of Madras and settled in communication with the Supreme Government.

7. There is one item of revenue, however, which may properly be excepted from the transfer. In a report, dated 4th April 1874, by the Comptroller, Public Works Accounts, Central Provinces, paragraph 15, it is said that trifling receipts from water rents on the adjacent land are credited in the Civil Department. Considering the large capital outlay on the works from Imperial revenue, amounting to 35½ lakhs of rupees, it seems that these irrigation receipts should continue to be credited in the Civil Department as Imperial revenue.

8. Regular lists of the establishment to be transferred in the prescribed form should at once be submitted, in view to the Madras establishments being formally increased, and the Central Provinces establishments correspondingly reduced.

ORDER.—Ordered, that these observations be communicated to the Government of Madras, the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces, and the Accountant-General, in the Public Works Department, for the necessary attention, and to the Home and Financial Departments, for information.

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

No. 499D.

ORDER THEREON, 20th August 1874, No. 2,346B.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 27A.

BEFORE replying to the several points remitted for the consideration of the Madras Government in the Resolution of the Government of India, No. 338-42-C, dated 29th July 1874, His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves to request the Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, to be good enough to furnish a copy of the Budget for the current year, with a list of the Establishment employed exclusively on the Upper Godavery Works; also to state his opinion as to the permanent strength at which this establishment should in future be maintained for the up-keep of the works in the manner contemplated by the Government of India, and for the general supervision of Public Works in Budrachellum and Rakapilly Pergunnahs.

(Here enter No. 2,346C, dated 20th August 1874.)

(True Extract.)

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

Secretary to Government.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 20th August 1874.

No. 499E.

No. 2,346c.

FROM

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

TO

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, CENTRAL PROVINCES.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 27B.

SIR,—Adverting to paragraphs 6 and 8 of the Resolution of the Government of India in the Public Works Department, No. 338-42-C, dated 29th July 1874, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to request that you will be good enough to furnish a copy of the Central Provinces Budget for the current year, with a list of the Establishment superior and inferior employed on the Upper Godavery Works; and to solicit an expression of your opinion as to the permanent strength at which this establishment should in future be maintained for the up-keep of the works in the manner contemplated by the Government of India, and for the general supervision of Public Works in Budrachellum and Rakapillay Pergunnahs.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Chief Commissioner
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Public Works Department

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For Order -

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Requesting to be furnished with a copy of the Central Provinces Budget for the Current Year with a list of the Establishment superior & inferior employed on the Upper Godavery Works & soliciting an expression of opinion as to the Establishment that should be maintained for the future supervision & up keep of those Works & for the supervision of persons in Andhra Pradesh & Raichur, Perumal.

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Govt. of 1874 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.



To

The Chief Commr. Prov.

Dated

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G. O. 20 Aug 74, No. 2346B
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No. 699C-6992.

Upper Godavery Works -

The Chief Commr. Central Provinces requested to furnish a copy of the Budget for the Current Year with a list of the Establishment employed exclusively on the Works; also to state his opinion as to the current strength at which Establishment should be maintained for the up keep of the works for the general supervision of persons in Andhra Pradesh & Raichur, Perumal -

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