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14th October 1874.*

No. 328. 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 Madras, 16th September 1874, No. 5,329:—

I HAVE the honor to report, for the information of Government, that on receipt of G. O., No. 1,131, of the 30th April 1874, I addressed the Accountant-General of the Public Works Department with the view of ascertaining how the charge for Public Works supervision should be calculated on account of works carried out by the Public Works Department from funds obtained from Municipalities. I wrote as follows on the subject in my letter, No. 1,165, of the 9th May 1874:—

“I understand from the above mentioned suggestion that it is the desire of the Madras Government to make Municipalities pay a fair proportion of the General establishment charges, and I should suppose that to effect this it would be better not to wait till the end of the year when the actual percentage charge for establishment is ascertained, but to have a certain fixed moderate percentage (say 10 per cent.) to apply immediately so that before making known the total cost of a work to the Municipality the Establishment charge may be added and the account closed. You are aware that ordinary ‘Contribution’ expenditure which is adjusted through the head ‘Deposits’ (through which the outlay on Municipal works would also be adjusted) escapes the charge for Establishment or Public Works Supervision.”

2. In his letter, No. 1,319 G, of the 5th instant, the Accountant-General has replied as follows:—

“If the Government of Madras determine to charge Municipalities for Establishment for work executed for them by the Public Works Department the charge should be calculated either according to a fixed percentage or in proportion to the expenditure on the total outlay on works.

“2. In Bengal much Municipal work is not executed by Public Works Officers, and it is not the practice to make any charge for Establishment. In the North-Western Provinces the charge is fixed at the rate of 10 per cent. on the outlay, and as a general rule is considered to be a part of the contribution, or in other words is paid in advance in the same way as the contribution for the work itself is paid. In Oudh, on the other hand, the contribution for Establishment (which is 12 per cent. if the whole of the Municipal works are placed under the Public Works Department, and 20 per cent. of the cost if isolated works are executed by Public Works Department) is collected after the work is completed. But the orders of the Government of India require that Municipalities should advance cash for all the expenditure incurred by Public Works Department, and if such expenditure includes Establishment it must obviously be paid for in advance.”

No. 329. ORDER THEREON, 14th October 1874, No. 2,923.

ACCOUNT, No. 27.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to rule that a fixed rate of 15 per cent. be in future charged

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on all works executed for Municipalities by Public Works Agency. The amount should be added to the estimated cost of the works and paid over, as directed in paragraph 4 of the Government of India Resolution, recorded with G. O., No. 1,131, dated 30th April 1874, early in the official year or as soon as realized by the Municipalities.

(True Extract.)

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

Office of the Controller of
P. W. Accounts
Madras 16 September 1874.

No 5329

From

The Offg Controller of
P. W. Accounts

To

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

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that on receipt of G. O. No 1131 of the 30th April 1874, I addressed the Accountant General of the Public Works Department with the view of ascertaining how the charge for Public Works Supervision should be calculated on account of works carried out by the Public Works Department from funds obtained from Municipalities. I wrote as follows on the subject in my letter No 1165 of the 9th May 1874.

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the work itself is paid.
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are placed under the
Public Works Department
and 20 per cent of the
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are executed by Public
Works Department) is
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by Public Works Depart-
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expenditure includes

"Establishment it must
obviously be paid for in
advance"

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours most obedient servant

J. P. J.

Offg Controller of P. W. Accounts

J. P. J.

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of S. W. Accounts } (H. E. No. 5329 of 16 Sept
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H. E. No. 5329 of 16 Sept
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of S. W. Accounts

The Secretary to
Government
P. W. Department
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Dated 16 Sept
H. E. No. 5329

H. E. No. 2928-14-10-74.

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Cont. S. to. Accto: ✓
1340th Engrs ✓
Ex: Engr. Incharge ✓
3 Can: Architect ✓
5 Ch: Engr. for design ✓
6 Supt. departh ✓
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Letter from the Offg. Controller of S. H.
Accounts, No. 5329, dated 16th Sept 1874.

For Orders.

Circulated for
orders as to the charge
which shall be made
for planning and
executing municipal
works. (as in order)
Whether the rate
fixed for single works
shall be different
from that levied
when the whole work
of a municipality is
undertaken. It may
be mentioned that all
the Road work, &c.,

A single rate is, I think, pre-
ferable - The question is what
rate - The general rate charged
+ L. & B. is 25% but consi-
dering that the work of the mun-
cipalities be done by the
at the Office headquarters
(as a rule) 15% of the super
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really done by the
District Engineer.

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C. M. Walker S. E.
Secy: D. East. S. E.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To



The Offg. Commr.
of P.W. Dept.

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 116 Oct 1874, No.

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Municipalities

Ruling that a fiscal
rate of 15 per cent be in
future charged on all
works executed for
municipalities by Public
Works Agency with certain
instructions