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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
30th October 1874.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 694. From Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Irrigation,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 6th October 1874, No. 306 A.—I.

I AM directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter, No. 1,886, dated 14th July 1874, requesting sanction to an additional grant of Rupees 1,32,950 for repairs to Irrigation Works during 1874-75, and, in reply, to observe that for a series of years the Government of Madras have not been able to expend the whole of the sum assigned for Irrigation Repairs. On this point attention is invited to the following abstract showing the outlay on this head of service against the demand made and grant assigned for the purpose:—

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1870-71	...	...	...	...	...	14,00,000	12,00,000	11,44,826
1871-72	...	...	...	...	...	12,00,000	12,00,000	11,22,500
1872-73	...	...	...	...	...	14,00,000	13,60,000	12,61,300
1873-74	...	...	...	...	...	14,00,000	13,60,000	14,09,190
1874-75	...	...	...	...	...	14,00,000	13,67,050	

2. The Government of India do not consider that there is sufficient reason in the present case to make an exception to the practice of not giving additional grants during the year. But if the Government of Madras will forward a statement of the sum required for special repairs to Irrigation Works in consequence of the recent cyclones and storms, the Government of India will endeavour to assign an additional grant for the purpose. Meanwhile, I am to convey sanction to an extra allotment of Rupees 33,000 for 1874-75 so as to raise the total grant for Irrigation Repairs to the amount originally asked for, viz., Rupees 14,00,000. This additional grant will increase the total Ordinary Irrigation allotment from Rupees 22,30,000 to Rupees 22,83,000, and the total grant, Ordinary and Extraordinary from Rupees 29,50,000 to 29,83,000.

No. 695. *Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.*

THE Government of India ask that a statement of the sum required for special repairs of Irrigation Works, in consequence of recent cyclones and storms, may be furnished. Time would be required for the preparation of such a statement, and of course accurate information would be forthcoming only after the estimates for the repair of damage had been made out, a work which cannot be done all at once.

2. It may however without fear of error on the side of excess be approximately estimated that the damage caused by the cyclones of May 1872 and 1874 was in—

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South Arcot	...	.	...	...	...	...	30,000
North „	...	..	...	...	...	...	45,000
Chingleput	...	...	...	...	...	...	45,000
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3. Of the sum of Rupees 33,000 sanctioned by the Government of India, it is proposed to allot 20,000 Rupees to Tanjore and 13,000 Rupees to Trichinopoly, and the officers in charge of those districts have been instructed to forward applications for funds accordingly. It has already been intimated that in these districts a large amount of repair work done last year could not be paid for until this year for want of money, and the progress of repairs this year would be seriously affected were not the sums thus diverted at least in part made good. The statement printed in Proceedings of the Madras Government, 2nd October 1874, No. 2,787, shows that in Tanjore the outlay* of the first four months had been very nearly two-thirds of the grant† for the year, and that in Trichinopoly, out of a grant of Rupees 81,000, less than 2,000 Rupees were left to meet the demands of the remaining eight months, so that all repair work must long since have been at a stand-still. For these two districts, which lost between them last year 67,000 Rs. of the usual allotments, at least 65,000 additional are required this year, and so the 33,000 Rupees now made available will meet only half their wants.

Tanjore	...	...	Rs. 55,000
Trichinopoly	...	...	33,000
Deduct excess expenditure...	...	...	88,000
			20,840
			67,160

4. Tinnevely is another district where funds are much needed, and the paramount importance of its irrigation works any one who has travelled through it, and seen how utterly desert the unirrigated tracts generally are, will readily understand. The least that can be done then is to maintain the numerous anicuts, channels, and tanks, which were constructed a long time ago, and which at present are certainly not in the state of repair and efficiency in which they should be kept. The reason given for this is that the money available is inadequate. Rupees 10,000 additional are asked for now, and in future the grant for the district will need to be raised from Rupees 80,000 to 1 lakh annually, at any rate until the principal irrigation works shall have been put into thoroughly good order.

PALAMCOTTAH,
17th October 1874.

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
30th October 1874.

No. 696. ORDER THEREON, 30th October 1874, No. 3,103-A.

IRRIGATION, No. 45-A.
Account.

The additional sum of Rs. 33,000 sanctioned for the Agricultural Repair grant of the current year in the foregoing letter from the Government of India, is placed at the disposal of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

2. The information given in these Proceedings will be at once communicated to the Government of India, and, as it is necessary that the work which has to be done should be undertaken promptly, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation will be authorized to make allotments, if necessary, to the extent of half a lakh of rupees beyond the 14 lakhs sanctioned for repairs, in anticipation of the grant of another lakh of rupees by the Government of India.

Ordered that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 3,103-B, dated 30th October 1874.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
To District Engineers.

(only to 19 Engin Districts)

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 30th October 1874.

No. 697.

No. 3103-B.

FROM

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

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

IRRIGATION, No. 45 B.

<i>Account.</i>

No. 3,103 A, dated 30th October 1874.

SIR,—I am directed in acknowledging the receipt of your letter, No. 306 A.—I., of the 6th instant, to transmit, for the information of the Government of India, a copy of the Proceedings as per margin, affording, in as complete a form as possible, without delay, which would prove highly inconvenient, the information required by the Government of India regarding the sums required to carry out the repairs of damage caused by the cyclones and storms of 1872 and the current year, and I am to point out that, as it is necessary to make the most of the time available, and to meet the demands, which in the Kistna and elsewhere cannot be postponed, the appropriation of half a lakh of rupees, in excess of the 14 lakhs sanctioned by the Government of India, has been authorized, in anticipation of the sanction of the additional lakh already asked for.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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No 306 A.D
Govt of India
Public Works Department
Account
Irrigation

To. The Secy. to the Govt of Madras
Public Works Dept.

Fort William, 6 Oct 74.

Sir, I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No 1886, dated 14th July 1874 requesting sanction to an additional grant of Rs 1,32,950 for repairs to Irrigation Works during 1874-75, and in reply to observe that for a series of years the Govt of Madras have not been able to expend the whole of the sum assigned for Irrigation Repairs. On this point attention is invited to the following abstract showing the outlay on this head of service against the demand made and grant assigned for

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Signed J. H. Dickson Secy. Govt. of India

13.10.74

All communications
should be addressed to
the Secretary

No. 306. A. I.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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Public Works 1874 Report
No. of Govt for October
28-5/78 A

From
The Government of India

Dated 1st October } 1874
Received 30th Oct }
28-206 A.D.

Opening order
on the application
for an additional
grant for repairs
to Irrigation works
of the Madras
Presidency for 1874-75.

26/9/74

No. 3103 A. 3103 B. 30-10-74

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Camp at
Palamcottah
17 October 1876

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Whimundians
Chief Engineer for Irrigation
To
The Secretary to Govt
P. W. D.
Sd/-

Public Works Deptt
 Proceedings of the Chudras Gorkh
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From
 The Govt of India (H. Secy 306 dated
 "Chief Secy for Luv - (H. Secy 306 dated 17 Oct 1914)
 G.O. 3103 A. of 1914 dated 17/10/14

The additional
 sum of Rs. 3300
 sanctioned for the
 Agricultural repair
 grant of the current
 year in the fore-
 going letter from
 the Government of
 India, is placed
 at the disposal
 of the Chief Engi-
 neer for irrigation
 2. The information
 given in these pro-
 ceedings will be
 at once communi-
 cated to the Go-
 vernment of India
 and

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S. M. 1894. No. 100
 25/10/14

From
 The Chief Engineer
 for irrigation

Recd 17 Oct 1914
 Received 20 October 1914

Regarding
 the requirement by
 the Govt of India
 for statement of
 the additional
 sum required in
 1914-15 for repairs
 to irrigation works
 in the Chudras
 Presidency -
 No 3103 A. of 1914 dated 17-10-14

No 695

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 M.S. despatched to the (C. Eng. for Ind. V)
 S. Copies despatched to B. 11/11/74. 30/10/74.

To the Chief Engineer for Ind. V ✓
 " Controller ✓
 " District Engineer ✓
 S. Copies despatched 17/11/74.
 & Executive Engineer, Bangalore,
 S. Candrabhailghurries.

To The Secretary to the
 Govt of India
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Rev 31/10/74

The previous Order
is not stated

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Proceedings dated 14/11/74

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Govt. of 1874 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Chief Commr for Madras
and
The Secy to the Govt
of India

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 30 Oct 1874. No. 3103 &
3103B

Nos. 694 & 695/197

Forwarding
~~Transmitting~~ a copy of
Proceedings affording infor-
mation regarding the
sums required to carry out
the repairs of damage to
S.S. Works caused by
the Cyclones & storms of
1872 & the Current year &
having authorized
in estimating the appropriation
of half a lakh of Rs.
in excess of the 14 lakhs
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to the additional cost
already asked for.

Agricultural Repairs

The additional sum of Rs.
33,000 sanctioned by the
Govt of India for the Agricul-
tural repair grant the
Current year placed at the
disposal of the Chief Insp. for
S.S. and allotments if ne-
cessary to the extent of half a
lakh of Rs. before the 14 lakhs
sanctioned for repairs sanction-
ed in anticipation of the
grant of another lakh of Rs.
by the Govt of India -