Read the following papers:—

No. 428. Read again Resolution of Government of India, No. 406—7 A G, dated 8th June 1874, recorded with G. O., No. 1,927, dated 17th July 1874.

Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 25th September 1874, No. 1,613.

In the Provincial Budget Estimate for 1874-75, prepared in the Financial Department, Rupees 24,00,000 are assigned for Public Works, *i.e.*, Rs. 12,00,000 for Provincial Works, etc., (including Petty Construction and Repair Miscellaneous Departments) and Rupees 12,00,000 as a lump grant-in-aid to Local Funds on account of Public Works. When the lump grant to Local Funds was distributed amongst the various circles in G. O., dated 15th January 1872, No. 30, Rupees 3,00,000 were assigned to Establishment and the balance to Works. To fulfil the requirements of the Public Works Department Resolution, No. 469—78 A G, dated 23rd August 1873, the entry for 1874-75 may be distributed thus:—

		Rs.
Grant to Local Funds	New Works	6,50,000
	Repairs	2,50,000
	Establishment ...	3,00,000

and if this entry be incorporated in the Public Works Provincial Budget Estimate, it does not appear that anything more is necessary for the preparation of the Revised Abstract Budget Estimate, Part I., it being stated that details are not required, as they will be found in the Local Fund Budget Estimates. It may be here mentioned that the amount shown in the Provincial Budget as a Public Works grant to Local Funds does not correspond completely with the total of the grants to the different Local Fund Circles, as in disposing of the Local Fund Budgets, circle by circle, it was found feasible to reduce the grants to Rupees 11,42,050. The balance of Rupees 57,950 will probably be utilized in the course of the year in meeting applications for additional grants. With reference to the concluding sentence of the Order in the Public Works Department, it is observed that orders were passed on all Circle Budget Estimates by the 19th June 1874, the last Budget having been received on the 9th May. The Board of Revenue will report what steps they would propose to admit of compliance with the desire of the Government of India that the Local Fund Budget should be despatched to them at an early date.

2. The question of the proportion of the Establishment charges to be debited to Local Funds has engaged the consideration of Government for some time. The present arrangements are based on the system of ratable distribution prescribed in the Resolution of the Government of India, Public Works Department, No. 778 A G, as regards the debit to Provincial Services, with such modifications in the way of excluding special establishments as were necessary to prevent an undue charge falling upon Local Funds. This however, as remarked by the Government of India, unquestionably gives immense trouble in accounts, and matters will be very much simplified by the adoption of the proposal now made by the Government

of India, which is understood to be, that the establishment should be considered Provincial for purposes of accounts, Imperial Funds paying (in the absence of any special arrangement) a fixed percentage on the grant for Imperial works, or on the outlay, whichever may be greater, with, in addition, the charge for Conservancy Establishment and that of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation. The percentage proposed, 25 per cent., seems fair, so long as no great change takes place in the amount of the allotments for works, and with the permission of the Government of India, steps may be taken to bring the system into force in the current year, it being considered in the Public Works Department whether there are any survey charges for Irrigation works which should be met from Imperial Funds in addition to the 25 per cent. as proposed in paragraph 13 of the Resolution of the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Under Secretary,
for *Acting Chief Secretary.*

Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, No. 1,816, dated 23rd October 1874, communicating Proceedings, Board of Revenue, dated 15th October 1874.

No. 429. ORDER THEREON, 19th December 1874, No. 3,588.

ACCOUNT, No. 29.

ORDERED that these Proceedings in the Financial Department be communicated to the Government of India. It will be arranged in future that extract of the general Budget Estimate, rendered by the Financial Department to the Government of India, be supplied to the Public Works Department for information. In the meantime it will be explained to the Government of India that the supposition made in paragraph 3 of their Resolution communicated with Proceedings No. 406-7 A.—G., of 8th June, accounts for 12 lakhs of the difference between the Budgets submitted, but leaves 1¼ lakhs to be accounted for. Of this sum 1¼ lakh has since been assigned for public works in Financial No. 1,856 of 30th October, and its distribution has been as follows, viz. :—

	RS.
Civil Buildings (New Works)	98,701
Communications (do.)	14,529
Do. (Repairs)	700
Miscellaneous Public Improvements (New Works)	6,171
Tools and Plant	4,899
	1,25,000

and the balance of Rupees 25,000 has been allotted for Petty Construction and Repairs, not included in the Public Works Budget.

2. The Revised Abstract Budget Estimate, Part I., called for in paragraph 4 of the Resolution, showing in addition to the information before given the amount of the lump sum grant-in-aid to Local Funds, divided off to the heads of Works, Repairs and Establishments, has already been communicated to the Government of India with letter No. 2,161 of 6th August.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th December 1874.

3. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Resolution, it may be observed that the allotment for Civil Buildings is over-stated by Rupees 1,86,020, which is the allotment for Communications, leaving Rupees 5,95,480 only for Civil Buildings, which is within Rupees 10,000 of the sum to which the attention of the Government of Madras is drawn as the standard by which the Government of India apparently desire that the grant for Civil Buildings shall be regulated. It will be explained to the Government of India that, as may be seen from the detailed Budget, a great part of the assignment of 1874-75 was made for completion of improved Cutcherry and Subsidiary Jail accommodation, much of which was in progress in 1869-70, and suspended by the Government of India Orders, No. 32 of 11th May, No. 83 of 2nd October, and No. 104 of 31st December 1869, and which even the large grants of 1872-73 and 1873-74 (unnoticed by the Government of India, though greatly exceeding that now remarked on) had been insufficient to complete. It was indeed found necessary to allot much of the Reserve and of the additional 1¼ lakh not budgetted for by the Public Works Department to the same purpose, so much requiring to be done to put the Civil Buildings of this Presidency into a respectable and healthy state.

4. With reference to the request made in paragraph 10 of the Resolution, it is remarked that the compiled Local Fund Budget was despatched to the Government of India with letter No. 2,477 A of 1st September. Its compilation in the Public Works Department could not be undertaken till the Revenue Board, after receipt of the last of the Government Orders on Circle Budgets (19th June), had issued those Budgets, when the portions of each relating to public works had to be extracted and reprinted. It would appear therefore that a period of about three months, under present arrangements, has to elapse between final orders of Government in the Financial Department and transmission of the compiled Budget to the Government of India. The Board of Revenue having been called on to report what steps they would propose to admit of the early despatch, to the Government of India, of the Local Fund Budget, state that they will arrange for closing their reviews by the 31st December; after which it remains for orders to be passed in the Financial Department and the Budgets to be issued by the Board. These arrangements must perhaps be accepted as the only ones feasible for the current year; but it does not seem practicable under them to lay the compiled Local Fund Budget before the Government of India by the 10th February in each year, as laid down in the Resolution communicated with G. O., No. 950, dated 3rd June 1874. The Board will therefore be requested, in the Financial Department, to enforce earlier submission of these Budgets by Local Fund Boards according to the Local Fund Rules, so that these may be disposed of by all departments concerned in proper time.

5. It is considered in the Public Works Department, and has already been intimated to the Government of India in reply to their Resolution No. 237-33 A.—I., dated 23rd July 1874, that all survey charges on account of Irrigation Works should, equally with the charges for Conservancy establishments and those of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Deputy Controller for Irrigation Accounts, be met by Imperial Funds, in addition to the fixed percentage on the grant or outlay

(as the case may be) for works proposed by them, and accepted by this Government, in the Financial Department.

6. Now that it is determined that the whole Public Works Establishment shall be considered (in regard to accounts) Provincial, the proposal of Proceedings, in the Public Works Department, No. 973, of 28th March 1873, will be again considered in the Financial Department, with a view to the transfer of the charge of the Lithographic Department to the head "Printing," a corresponding assignment being asked for from the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 430. (DOCKET No. 3,589, dated 19th December 1874.)
COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

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

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read again Proceedings of Govt. of Madras No. 406 of 8th June 1876, and recorded in P. C. No. 1927 of 17th July 1876.

Read also the following

Pro: of the Madras Govt. in the Financial Deptt. (M. E. No. 1613 of 25th Sept.)

1. It will be arranged in future to prevent mistakes, and to enable the Public Works Deptt. to submit statements to the Govt. of Madras strictly according with the figures rendered by the Financial Deptt. that Extract of the General Budget Estimate rendered by the Director

with a new uniform

department of the Govt of India be supplied to the Public Works dept for information. Failing such arrangement, the Public Works Dept had no information before them in submitting to the Govt of India the Proceedings of this Govt dtd 7th of 16th March 1874, other than related to the sum of 10½ Lakhs of which detailed distribution was thereon made. Hence the difficulty experienced by the Govts of India in dealing with the Provincial Budgets

Estimates of this Presidency.

In the meantime it will be explained to the Govt of India that the difference between the Budget Estimates rendered to them in the Financial and Public Works departments respectively, has arisen from the above noticed omission on the part of the former depart[illegible]. The explanation made by the Govt of India in para 3 of their Proceedings under note accounts for 12 Lakhs of the difference, but

between the Budgets submitted

it leaves 1½ Lakhs to be accounted for - Of this sum 1 Lakh has since been assigned for Public Works in Financial Dn. No 410 of 24th August - and its distribution has been as follows, viz:-

Civil Buildings (New Works)	Rs	9,147
Communications (do)	"	3129
Miscellaneous Public Improvements (do)	"	3225
Tools and Plant	"	2499
		1,00,000

{ Now superseded by No 1856 of 30th October. Genl

And from para 1 of Financial order above recorded, it would appear that Rs 50,000 have been allotted for Petty Construction and Repairs (Miscellaneous Departments) - But no detail of the distribution of the same has been furnished as would appear to be necessary for the information of the Govt of India - The detail of distribution of the Lump grant of 12 Lakhs to Local Funds has already been communicated to the Govt of India with letter No 2161 of 6th August -

Supplement

3. There is a similar error in the statement of heads of the Proceedings of the Govt of India, the allotment for Civil Buildings being overstated by

Rs 1,86,020 which is the allotment for Communications, leaving Rs 5,95,480 only for Civil Buildings, which is within Rs 10,000 of the sum which the attention of the Govt. of Madras is drawn as the standard by which the Govt. of India appraise the desire that the grant for Civil Buildings shall be regulated. It will be explained to the Govt. of India that, as may be seen from the detailed Budget a great part of the assignment of 1874-75 was made for completion of improved Jutcherry

and Subsidiary Jail accommodation, much of which was in progress in 1872-73, and suspended by the Govt. Orders of India No. 32 of 11th May; No 82 of 2nd Oct 73, and 104 of 31st Dec 73; and which even the large grants of 1872-73 and 1873-74 (unnoticed by the Govt. of India, though greatly exceeding that now remarked on) had been insufficient to complete. It was indeed found necessary to allot much of the Reserve and 5 lacs additional Lakh not budgetted for the Public Works Department to the same purpose;

much requiring to be done to put the Civil Buildings of this Presidency into a respectable and healthy state.

4 It might be remarked that the objection taken by the Govt. of India, above discussed, is not quite consistent with the position laid down in paras 25 and 27 of their Resolution Dep. 3334 of 14th December 1870, whereby their interference is restricted and the Govt. of Madras declared

See modify the Para
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any sort of imputation
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adversely to "slow-up" want
of inter-departl accord-
ing the Ch.. Engr. presses a con
tingency which is hinted at
in the latter part of the Para
but we had better to deal with
the question of separate
memo for orders or Proc:
and not raise the Questn
in these Proc:

to enjoy full liberty in the execution of their Provincial Funds. But it has to be observed on the other hand that for want of concerted action between the Financial and Public Works Departments of the Govt. and full knowledge on the part of the latter of their total assignments of the current year insufficient provision for Establishments and Tools and Plants will probably turn out to have been made; which will not escape the

notice of the Govt. of India - Probably Rs 30,000 will be required. Except these demands at the close of the year, and it will be remitted to the Financial Dept. to say whether the requirements of Miscellaneous Depart-ments for Petty Con-struction and Repairs cannot be met other-wise than from the original assign-ment of 12 Lakhs for Public Works, and the requisite sum so provided. It is observed from the Financial Proceedings above recorded

that Rs 5-7 950 have been saved from the intended Lump Grant to Local Funds.

5 The compiled Local Fund Budget was despatched to the Govt. of India with letter No. 284-7 A of 1st September. Its compilation on the Public Works Departt could not be under-taken till the Reve-nue Board, after re-ceipt of the last of the Govt. orders on Circle Budgets (19th June) had issued those Bud-gets, when the portions of each relating to

Ido not see why this Rs should be common under the Gl. Sup. Bud. as soon as passed and thus Budget be complete without awaiting the issue of the Rs. Rev.
If the Govt. sees no objection this Para might be drafted to give effect to this or other convenient arrangement. WD

Public Works had been extracted and reprinted. It would appear therefore that a period of about 3 months under present arrangements has to elapse between finial orders of Govt. in the Financial Department and transmission of the compiled Budget to the Govt. of India.

It is considered in the Public Works Departt. and has already been intimated to the Govt. of India in reply to their Resolution No. 227-33 I.D. dated 23d July 1874, that all survey charges on account

of Irrigation works should equally with the charges for Conservancy Establishments and those of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation be met by Imperial Funds; in addition to the fixed percentage on the grant or outlay (as the case may be) for Works proposed by them, and accepted by the Govt. in the Financial Departt. I now that it is determined that the whole Public Works Establishment shall be considered (in regard to accounts) Provincial, the

of Proceedings in the Public Works Departt. Dec. 9th of 28th March 1873 will be again considered in the Financial Departt with a view to the transfer of the charge of the Lithographic Departt to the head "Printing", a corresponding assignment being asked for from the Govt. of India.

2 It is understood though not explicitly declared in the Financial Department Order under note, that a fixed percentage

for Establishments at the same rate as that charged on Imperial Works, will be charged on Local Works planned, estimated for, and carried out by Public Works agency; the residue of the charge for Establishments being thrown on Provincial Funds.

H. E. Dec. dated

Copy of this above forwarded to the Govt. of India.

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Referred to the Chief Engr for further circulation that his remarks & the suggestions made may accompy the D.P.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ Proceedings of Govt, Public Works Department, dated 17 July 1874, No 1927.

Orders thereon, Col Facquaint 25 Sept 1874 No 1613.

~~Estimate~~ In the Provincial Budget for 1874-75, prepared in the Financial Department, Rs 24,00,000 are assigned for Public Works, i.e. Rs 12,00,000 for Provincial Works &c (including Petty Construction and Repair Miscellaneous Departments) and Rs 12,00,000 as a lump grant-in-aid to Local Funds on account of Public Works. When the lump grant to Local Funds was distributed amongst the various Circles in G.O. dated 15 January 1872 No 30, Rs 300000 were assigned to Establishment and the balance to Works. To fulfil the requirements of

of the Public Works Department,
Resolution No. 469-78 A.G. dated 23 August
1878, the entry for 1874-75 may be
distributed thus:—

Grant to Local Funds { New Works — 650,000
Repairs — 250,000
Establishment 300,000

and if this entry be incorporated
in the Public Works Provincial
Budget Estimate, it does not appear
that anything more is necessary
for the preparation of the revised
Abstract Budget Estimate, Part I,
it being stated that details are
not required, as they will be found
in the Local Fund Budget Estimates.
It may be here mentioned that the
amount shown in the Provincial
Budget as a Public Works grant
to Local Funds, does not corres-
pond completely with the total
of the grants to the different
Local Fund Circles, as, in disposing
of the Local Fund Budgets, Circle

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by Circle, it was found feasible to
reduce the grants to Rs 1,42,050. The
balance of Rs 57,950 will probably
be utilized in the course of the year
in meeting applications for additional
grants. With reference to the concluding
sentences of the Order in the Public
Works Department, it is observed that
Orders were passed on all Circle Budget
Estimates by the 19th June 1874, the last
Budget having been received on the 9th May.
The Board of Revenue will report
what steps they would propose to
admit of compliance with the desire
of the Government of India that
the Local Fund Budgets should be
despatched to them at an early date.
2. The question of the proportion
of the Establishment charges to be
debited to Local Funds has engaged
the consideration of Government for
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are based on the system of provincial
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of the Government of India, Public Works Dept, No 778 A.G., as regards the debit to Provincial Services, with such modifications in the way of excluding special establishments as were necessary to prevent an undue charge falling upon Local Funds. This, however, as remarked by the Govt of India, unquestionably gives commencement trouble in accounts, and matters will be very much simplified by the adoption of the proposal now made by the Govt of India, which is understood to be, that the establishments should be considered Provincial for purposes of accounts, Imperial funds paying (in the absence of any special arrangement) a fixed percentage on the grant for Imperial works, or on the outlay whichever may be greater, with, in addition, the charge for conservancy establishment and that of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation. The percentage proposed, 25 per cent, seems

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fair, so long as no great change takes place in the amount of the allotments for works, and with the permission of the Govt of India, steps may be taken to bring the system into force in the current year, it being considered in the Public Works Department whether there are any survey charges for Irrigation Works which should be met from Imperial funds in addition to the 25 per cent as proposed in para. 13 of the Resolution of the Government of India.

[True Extract]

J. Purnell
Asst under Secretary
for Secy Chief Secretary

To

The Public Works Department

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P. W. D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government,

Under date the 187 .

Read the following:—

Read again:—

Resolution of Govt. of India No 406-7 A.G. dy 8th June 1874, recorded with G.O. 1927 dy 17th July 1874

G.O. Finl Dept No 1613 dy 25th Septr 1874

Do No 1816 dy 23rd Octr: 1874

Communicating Prog's Board of Rev: dy 15th Octr 1874

Ordered that these Proceedings in the Financial Department be communicated to the Govt: of India. It will be arranged in future that Extract of the general Budget Estimate rendered by the Financial Dept to the Govt: of India be supplied to the P.W. Dept for

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To Govt. of India

Dated 25th Sept. 1874 No.

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for information. In the meantime it will be explained to the Govt. of India that the supposition made in para 3 of their Resolution communicated with Pro-ceeding No. 406-7 A. G. of 8th June accounts for 12 Lakhs of the difference between the Budgets submitted, but leaves 1½ Lakhs to be accounted for. Of this sum 1¼ Lakhs has since been assigned for Public Works in Financial No. 1856 of 30th October, and its distribution has been as follows viz

Civil Building (New Works)	Rs 98,701
Communications (— do —)	14,529
Do (Repairs)	700
M. P. Improvements (New Works)	6,171
Tools and Plant	4,899
and	Rs 1,25,000

and the balance of Rs 25,000 has been allotted for Petty Construction and Repairs, not included in the P. W. Budget.

2. The revised Abstract Budget Estimate, Part I called for in para 4 of the Resolution, showing in addition to the information before given, the amount of the Lump Sum Grant in aid to Local Funds, divided off to the heads of Works, Repairs and Establishments, has already been communicated to the Govt. of India with letter No. 2161 of 6th August.

3. With reference to Resolution para 5 of the ~~Proceedings~~ of

of the Government of India, it may be observed that the allotment for Civil Buildings is overstated by Rs 186,020 which is the allotment for Communications; leaving Rs 5,95,480 only for Civil Buildings, which is within Rs 10,000 of the sum to which the attention of the Govt: of Madras is drawn as the standard by which the Govt: of India apparently desire that the Grant for Civil Buildings shall be regulated. It will be explained to the Govt: of India that, as may be seen from the detailed Budget a great part

part of the assignment of 1874-75 was made for completion of improved Lent. Cherry and Subsidiary Jail accommodation, much of which was in progress in 1869-70, and suspended by the Govt: of India Orders No: 32 of 11th May No: 82 of 2nd Oct: and 104 of 31st Dec: 1869; and which when the large Grants of 1872-73 and 1873-74 (unnoticed by the Govt of India, though greatly exceeding that now remarked on) had been insufficient to complete it was indeed found necessary to allot much of the Revenue and of the ad-

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additional 1¼ Lakh not
budgetted for by the
Public Works Dept to the
same purpose; so much
requiring to be done to
put the Civil Buildings
of this Presidency into
a respectable and healthy
state.

4. With reference to the
request made in para
10 of the Resolution it is
remarked that the
Compiled Local Fund
Budget was despatched
to the Govt: of India with
letter No: 2477 A of 1st Sept:
Its consultation in the
Public Works Dept could
not

not be undertaken till the
Revenue Board, after receipt
of the last of the Govt:
Orders on Circle Budgets
(19 in no) had assembled those
Budgets; when the portions
of each relating to Public
Works had to be extracted,
and reprinted. It would
appear therefore that a
period of about 3 months,
under present arrangements
has to elapse between
final Orders of Govt: in
the Financial Dept:
and transmission of the
Compiled Budget to the
Govt: of India.

The Board of Revenue
having

having been called on to
report what steps they
would propose to admit
of the early despatch,
to the Govt of India, of
the Local Fund Budget,
state that they will arrange
for closing their reviews
by the 31 December
after which it remains
for orders to be passed in
the Financial Dept-
and the Budgets to be
issued by the Board.
These arrangements must
perhaps be accepted as
the only ones ~~practicable~~ feasible
for

for the current year,
but it does not seem
practicable under them
to lay the compiled
Local Fund Budgets
before the Government
of India by the 10 February
in each year, as laid
down in the Resolution
Communicated in the
G.O. No: 950, dated 3 June
1874. The Board will
therefore be requested in
the Financial Depart-
to suggest earlier sub-
mission of these Budgets
by Local Fund Boards
according

according to the Local
Fund Rules, so that
there may be disposed
of by all Departments
concerned in proper time.

5. It is considered in
the Public Works Dept
and has already been
intimated to the Govt
of India in reply to
their Resolution No.
227-33 A.I. dated 23rd
July 1874, that all
Survey Charges on ac-
count of Irrigation Works
should, equally with the
Charges for Conservancy
Establishment

Establishments and those
of the Chief Engineer for
Irrigation and Dy Controller
for Irrigation Accounts, be
met by Imperial Funds,
in addition to the fixed Per-
centage on the Grant or
Outlay (as the Case may
be) for Works proposed
by them, and accepted by
this Govt. in the Financial
Department.

6. Now that it is de-
termined that the whole
Public Works Establishment
shall be considered (in
regard to accounts) Pro-
vincial, the proposed
of Proceedings in the
Public

Public Works Dept No 973
of 28th March 1873 will be
again considered in the
Financial Department
with a view to the transfer
of the charge of the Litho-
graphic Dept to the head
"Printing" a corresponding
assignment being asked
for from the Govt of India.

2. It is understood
though not explicitly de-
clared in the Financial
Dept order under note 1
that a fixed percentage
for Establishments at
the same rate as that
charged on Imperial
Works, will be charged
on

on Local Works planned,
estimated for, and carried
out by Public Works
Agency; the credit of the
charge for Establishments
being thrown on Provincial
Funds.

Financial Dept
Controller P.W.A.
No — 10/4/4 - 21-9-75

Docket No dated

Copy of the above
forwarded to the Govt
of India.

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Govt. of {1874} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Received 17th and 18th Nov on the Public Works

Dated

Recd. Encl.

G. O. 19th Dec 1874, No. 3588 3589

Nos.

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Provincial Budget Estimate

Passing orders on the Proceedings in the Financial Dept on the subject of the preparation of the Provincial Budget Estimate and the appointment of Establishment charges on account of Public Works.

Forwarding copy of Proceedings passed on the subject of the preparation of the Provincial Budget Estimate and the appointment of Establishment charges on account of Public Works—