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14th September 1876 No 2,452.*

Read the following papers —

No. 213. From Captain L. CONWAY-GORDON, R E, Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R E, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 18th August 1876, No 178-W.

In forwarding the monthly Appropriation Return showing the state of the Provincial grants according to advices received up to the 15th August, I have the honor to call the attention of Government to the remark made therein to the effect that the Appropriation Return of the Tanjore District for July has not yet been received in this office.

No. 213-A From Captain L. CONWAY-GORDON, R E, Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R E, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 23rd August 1876, No. 188-W.

With reference to G O, No 1,034, dated 25th April 1876, directing the submission of Appropriation Returns by District Engineers punctually on the 2nd of the month following that to which the return relates, I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government the excessive delay in the submission of these Returns by the District Engineer, Tanjore.

2 Government have ordered that these Returns shall be submitted on the 2nd of the month. Allowing three days for transit, they should be received in this office on the 6th at the latest. I subjoin a statement showing dates of actual receipt, &c. —

Month	Due Date.	Date of Receipt.	Delay in Days
April	6th May	12th June	36
May	6th June	31st July	55
June	6th July	14th August	39
July	6th August	Not received	16

} days over-due

3 In the absence of these Returns the audit of the divisional accounts cannot be carried out. The unpunctuality of the District Engineer, Tanjore, delays the accounts of the entire Presidency by about a month. I trust that Government may therefore be pleased to take measures to ensure the future punctual submission of these Returns.

No. 213-B. From Captain R. R. E. BROCKMAN, R E, District Engineer, Tanjore, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R E, Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 30th August 1876, No. 1,667.

With reference to your Memorandums, Nos 1,270 and 845-T, dated the 23rd and 26th August respectively, I have the honor to furnish the following explanation with regard to the delays therein noticed in the submission of the Appropriation Returns to the Examiner from this office.

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2 The Provincial Appropriation Return for the month of May was submitted to the Examiner on the 25th July from this office, and I am unable to account for its not having reached the Examiner's office up to the 18th August as stated in the first memorandum. The Appropriation Returns for July were submitted to the Examiner on the 26th August.

3 There has certainly been a great delay in the submission of the Appropriation Returns from the beginning of the current official year, and this is owing partly to the difficulty experienced by the men in the office in understanding the new forms and the new classification of expenditure recently introduced and partly to the bulkiness of the Returns which necessarily occurs in the early part of the year owing to the large number of estimates sanctioned and the incomplete works of last year which have to be resanctioned and renumbered. Not less than 653 works under all heads were sanctioned from 1st April to 31st July 1876, and I submit that some special allowance should be made for classifying so large a number of works according to the new classification of expenditure and for filling them up correctly in the new forms of Appropriation Returns. The hands in my office have now become sufficiently acquainted, however, with the new forms, &c, &c, and I doubt not that the Returns will in future be submitted to the Examiner within the prescribed dates.

4. I may mention that the Manager of the office was on privilege leave for a period of one month from the 7th June to the 7th July, and the whole of the general supervision of the office devolved upon the Accountant for that period.

No. 214

ORDER THEREON, 14th September 1876, No 2,452

ACCOUNT, No 14.

THE Government look to the District Engineer for securing punctuality in future

(True Extract)

(Signed) G W WALKER, Major-General, R E,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Tanjore.
„ Examiner of Public Works Accounts

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[Gr Wks Form No 1]

No. 1787.

From

THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

*The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.*

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 18th August 1876.

Sir,
In forwarding the monthly appropriation return showing the state of the Provincial grants, according to advices received up to the 15th August, I have the honor to call the attention of Government to the remarks made therein to the effect that the appropriation return of the Tanjore District for July, has not yet been received in this office.

*I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,
Lonsay-Jordan.*

Examiner P. W. Accounts

P.W.D.

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From

The Engineer
P. W. D.

To
The Secy. to Govt.
P. W. D.

Dated 18th August 1876

N^o 213

Memo No 1270 dated 23rd Aug 1876

The Engr of writing on the 18th Aug complains that the Prov. Appropriation Return of the Tanjore Dist for the month of May & the Imp^l Return for July had not then reached his office. These returns were due on the 5th of the month following that to which they relate vide. G.O 3168 of 7th Nov. 1874. The Engr is accordingly requested to explain the cause of delay and to report the name of the person answerable.

Sy. G. W. W.

To The P. E. Tanjore.

N^o 1787.

Forward with
remarks the monthly
App^r Returns.

[r Wks Form No 2]

From

THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS.

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 23rd August 1876

Sir,

With reference to Government Order No 1034 dated 25th April 1876 directing the submission of Appropriation Returns by District Engineers punctually on the 5th of the month following that to which the returns relate, I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government the excessive delay in the submission of these returns by the District Engineer Tanjore.

Government have ordered that these returns shall be submitted on the 5th of the month. Allowing three days for transit they should be received in this Office on the 6th at the latest. I subjoin a statement showing dates of actual receipt, etc.

Months	Due Date	Date of receipt	Delay in Days
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 the future punctual submission of these returns.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

Wm. J. Gordon

Engineer, P. W. Accounts

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No 845

The appropriation Returns from the Sanjiv St. were received in the Examiner's Office on the following dates.

Returns for April on the 12th June
" May " 2nd July
" June " 14th Sept.

the date prescribed for their submission being by Lt. Col. 1034 of the 25th May 1876 the 2nd of the month subseq. -quent to that to which they relate. And the July return had not been received on the 23rd Aug the four returns in question thus being respectively 36, 55, 39 and 16 days over due. The St. Sec. will state the cause of so great unpunctuality

Sd/- Farewell
26th Aug 1876 off to Secy

No 213 a

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P.W.D.
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No 5117

From

The Examiner
P.W. Dept

To The Secy to Govt
P.W. Dept

Dy Chl No 845 d/ 26 Aug 1876

Dated 23 August 1876

No 1887

Drawing the attention of Govt to the lateness of the submission of Affor Returns by the Dist. Engr. Sanjiv.

Now put up —
fr. 7 Nov 74 - No 3168.
25 Apr 76 - 1034 —

No 1867 District Engrs Office
Sanjiv 30 August 1876

From
Captain R. A. E. Brockman
R. E.

District Engineer Sanjiv

To Major-General W. Walker
R. E.
Chief Engineer D. O. F.

With reference to your Memorandums No 1270 and 845 dated the 23rd and 26th August respectively I have the honor to furnish the following explanation with regard to the delays therein noticed to in the submission of these Appropriation Returns to the Examiner from this Office.

The Provincial Appropriation Return for the month of May was submitted to the Examiner on the 25th July from this Office and

I am unable to account for its not having reached the Examiner's Office up to the 18th August as stated in the 1st Memo. These Appropriation Returns for July were submitted to the Examiner on the 26th August.

There has certainly been a great delay in the submission of the Appropriation Returns from the beginning of the current Official year, and this is owing partly to the difficulty experienced by the men in the Office in understanding the new forms and the new classification of expenditure recently introduced, and partly to the bulkiness of the Returns which necessarily occurs in the early part of the year, owing to the large number of Estimates sanctioned and the complete works of last year which have to be re-audited and renumbered.

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I may mention that the Manager of the Office was on private leave for a period of one month from the 7th June to the 7th July and the whole of the general supervision of the Office devolved upon the

This is a matter which
the Examiner should himself
take up, replacing if ne-
cessary the present Account-
ant by a properly qualified
man. When the forms and
classification are quite
mastered there will be
no excuse for the excessive
delay which has hitherto
occurred; and the
procedure indicated in
G.O. No 3168 dated 7th
November 1874 ^{should} be strictly
followed. The Govt. will
then look to the District
Engineer to see that every
endeavour is made to
attain the requisite punc-
tuality.

No 24527/14 Sep 76

The Government look
to the District Engineer for
securing punctuality
in future -

C. P. S.

No 213/14

Dist. Eng. Tanjore ✓
Ext. P. W. Accounts ✓
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Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.



To

The D. C. Langre

Dated

Issued

Recd

Encl

G O. 11th Sept 1876, No. 2452

Nos. 213-214

Appropriation Returns
Langre D. -

The D. C. Langre informed
that the Government looks
to him for securing
punctuality in the sub-
mission of — in future

Langre
D. C.
Langre