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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
24th October 1876. No. 2,828.*

No. 343. Read the following letter from Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Irrigation,) to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Irrigation Branch,) dated Simla, 5th October 1876, No. 362 A I:—

I AM directed to forward herewith copy of a note by the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, No. 211 I, of the 15th September 1876, bringing to notice that the outlay on Ordinary Irrigation Works in Madras from April to September 1876 would appear to be considerably in excess of the outlay of the corresponding periods of previous years.

2. The Governor-General in Council relies on the Government of Madras taking such steps to regulate the expenditure in the remaining months of the year as will prevent the outlay in the current year exceeding the grant for it. The Government of India will be glad to receive an assurance that this is being done.

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Copy of a Note by the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, to the Government of India, Public Works Department, No. 211 I, dated 15th September 1876.

I HAVE the honor to bring to notice that the actual and approximate outlay and the issue of credit orders against the Imperial Budget grant in Madras, on Irrigation Works, Ordinary, for 1876-77, as compared with the outlay of the corresponding periods of previous years, have been proceeding at an abnormally high rate. On this point I beg to draw attention to the following figures:—

	Amount.	Percentage of amount on total grant.
	* RS.	
The actual and approximate outlay to end of September 1876 has been...	16,53,404	61.6
The outlay of the corresponding period of 1875-76 was ...	16,79,233	56.
That of 1874-75 ...	12,77,625	48.2
Do. of 1873-74 ...	9,11,244	39.1
Do. of 1872-73 ...	9,70,333	35.1
Do. of 1872-73 ...	12,09,609	45.
The average of the four years ending with 1875-76 ...	10,30,596	38.4
There is left for expenditure in the last six months of the year 1876-77.	13,17,738	44.
The outlay in the corresponding period of 1875-76 was...	13,74,465	51.8
That of 1874-75 ...	14,19,100	60.9
Do. of 1873-74 ...	17,90,995	64.9
Do. of 1872-73 ...		
The average outlay in the last six months of the four years ending with 1875-76 was ...	14,75,574	55.

From these figures it will be seen that, while the average outlay in the first six months of the previous four years* formed 45 per cent. of the total outlay, the approximate expenditure of the first six months of 1876-77 has been 61.6 per cent. of the total grant. The difference, 16.6 per cent., may be considered as the approximate excess outlay incurred during the first six months of 1876-77. That difference of 16.6 per cent. amounts to Rupees 4,45,544.

* For all India during those four years the average outlay of the first six months on Irrigation Works, Ordinary, has been 42.4 per cent. of the total average outlay of the four years.

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2. I may add that I have drawn the attention of the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, Madras, to the excessive rate of expenditure incurred, and have warned him that on no account must the total grant for the year be exceeded, and that the supply of funds should be regulated accordingly.

Nos. 344 & 345. ORDER THEREON, 24th October 1876, No. 2,828.

IRRIGATION, No. 37.

Account.

ORDERED that the following letter be sent.

(Here enter No. 2,829, dated 24th October 1876.)
(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 24th October 1876.

No. 346.

No. 2,829.

FROM .

MAJOR-GENERAL 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. 38.

Account.

SIR,—In reply to your letter, No. 362 A I, of the 5th instant, I am directed to state that all District Engineers have been duly informed what funds

have been placed at their disposal, and to say that an expenditure of somewhat more than half the grant of the year in the first six months, even should it be found to have taken place, will not be likely to involve any outlay in excess of the grant.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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No. 2828 Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 24th Octr 1876

Read the following:—

Govt. of India. G. No. 362 D. J. of 5th Octr 1876

Ordered that the following letter be sent.

(G.O. No. 2829 of 24th Octr 1876)

To
The Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Sir,

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Jan 16/10.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To *The Secy to the Govt of India*

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G. O., 24th October 76, No. 2828
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Grant for Ordinary Irrigation
Works for 1876-77 —

Passing orders on letter from
the Govt of India requesting
that steps may be taken to
regulate the expenditure in the
remaining months of the
year as will prevent the
outlay in the current year
exceeding the —

Indicating that there is
no probability of the grant
for Ordinary Irrigation
Works for 1876-77, being ex-
ceeded —

24/10/76
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