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23th November 1876. No 3,205*

No 537. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel, J. W. McLEOD INNES, Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, (Account-General), to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 27th October 1876, No 933 A G —

With reference to the Proceedings of the Government of Madras for July 1876, Nos 175-176, from which it would appear that the Public Works Department is allowed to do work for the Municipality of Ootacamund in anticipation of receipt of payment for the same, I am directed to forward, herewith, a copy of a letter to the Chief Commissioner of Oudh on the subject of payment in advance for works done for Municipalities by Public Works Officers, and to suggest that the Government of Madras may be moved to consider whether the rule laid down for Oudh should not be adopted in the case referred to

Copy of a letter, No 205 A G, dated 29th February 1876, from the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Chief Commissioner of Oudh

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's letter, No 3,281 S, dated 20th December last, soliciting that, in cases when the Municipality requires the Public Works Department to execute work for them, it should be permitted to pay the amount of proposed expenditure in instalments in advance instead of in full as prescribed in Public Works Code, Chapter XX, Section II, paragraph 52 A.

2 In reply thereto I am to observe that it is not the wish of the Government of India that existing rules regarding prepayment for work required to be done for Municipalities by the Public Works Department should be too strict in their application, such for instance as that works of magnitude or of great public utility, the commencement of which is a matter of serious importance, should be delayed simply because the entire cost of the work is not in hand, but it must be clear that, unless first financial principles are strictly adhered to, or in other words that, unless the question of ways and means is fully discussed and proper provision made prior to their commencement for carrying on works to completion, the result must be, to say the least, unsatisfactory in the extreme, and in this view I am to add that, when it is considered necessary, such works should be commenced before their entire cost is in hand, such cases should, before the work is actually taken in hand, be submitted with full details regarding ways and means for the consideration of the Government of India. But, as regards ordinary and petty repairs, His Excellency the Governor-General in Council has been pleased to decide that they may be carried on by Public Works Agency on monthly payments in advance

3 I am further to observe that, although the rule regarding prepayment in full will be relaxed as far as possible in each individual case submitted for consideration, in order that the Municipality may avail itself fully of the professional services of the Public Works Department, it must be distinctly understood as an indispensable condition of such relaxation, that, if the instalments that may be decided upon are not forthcoming in due time, the Department of Public Works will discontinue the work, and that no moral responsibility must be held to attach to it to continue any work for which instalments are not supplied in advance

No 538. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1876, No. 3,205.

ACCOUNT, No 41.

THE Municipal Commissioners at Ootacamund through their Secretary engaged that the cost of the repairs of Municipal Roads for the current year, carried out by the Public Works Department,

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together with the allotment for the year 1877-78 shall be paid in July and August 1877. And that the allotments for future years shall be forthcoming by the same date in each year. This arrangement will reduce the amount in advance to that expended in each year for repair of roads between April and July. It is clearly necessary that expenditure shall be incurred on these road repairs in the earlier months of the official year, as stated in the District Engineer's letter of 6th March, No 66, recorded with G O, No. 1,755 of 11th July. It is equally certain that the greater portion of the revenue of the Municipality of Ootacamund can be obtained only after April in each year. Under these circumstances, His Grace the Governor in Council is still of opinion that the cost of Municipal Road repairs in Ootacamund carried out by Public Works Agency may be advanced by the Executive Engineer as hitherto, conditionally on the payment in full of the allotment for the year, including the charge for supervision, within the month of August in each year until the circumstances of the Municipality are such as to admit of the instalment being made at an earlier date by the earlier collection of the revenue. And the Government of India will be informed accordingly.

2 No new works will be undertaken for which the entire cost cannot be guaranteed, and instalments paid of sufficient amount to prevent any advance by Public Works Department, except on special sanction of Government.

(Here enter No 3,205-A, dated 28th November 1876)

(True Extract)

Major-General, R E,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Nilgins
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Financial Department

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 28th November 1876

No 539

No 3,205-A.

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

ACCOUNT, No 42

G O, No 3,205, dated the 28th November 1876

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge your letter of the 27th October, No 933 A G, with its enclosure, and in reply to forward a copy of the Proceedings of the Madras Government quoted in the margin, in which are detailed the views of His Excellency the Governor in Council as regards the conduct of Municipal works in the Nilgiri District by the Agency of the Public Works Department

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major-General, R E,
Secretary to Government

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G.O. No. 1876, No. 3267 A

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NO. 539.

For a copy of Proceedings relating to the Public Works in the Nilgiris District, the Agency of the Public Works Department.

Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT

UNDER date the

Read the following —

From the Government of India (No. 933 A. G. 1876)

It is observed that the Municipal Commissioners at Coimbatore have through their Secretary engaged that the cost of the repairs of the Municipal Roads for the current year, carried out by the Public Works Dept., shall be repaid in July and August 1877, and the allotment for the Road Repairs of 1877-78 handed over at the same time. And that the allotment for future years shall be forthcoming by the same date in each

year. And it is clearly
necessary that Expen-
-diture shall be incurred
on these road repairs
in the earlier months
of the Official year,
as stated in the District
Engineer's letter of 6th
March 1906 recorded
with G.O. No. 1755-D of 11th
July. Under these
circumstances it is
the opinion of the Governor in
Council is still of
opinion that the cost
of Municipal Road
Repairs carried out
by Public Works Agency
may be advanced by
the Executive Engineer
as hitherto; conditionally
on the payment in full
of the allotment for

the year, including
the charge for supervision,
within the month of
August in each year.
And intimations to
that effect will accord-
ingly be made to the
Government of India.

As regards new
works it shall be a
rule, commencing from
next year, that none
shall be undertaken
for which the entire
cost cannot be guaran-
teed, except on Special
sanction of Government.
And that the British
rules shall apply in
case of failure to pay
instalments as directed.

C.M.W.²

Eng. R. S. S. S.
to do,
C. S. S.

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Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Under date the 20th Nov 1876.
Read the following -

From
The Secy of India - (U. No. 933 D. No. 1727 of 1876)

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The Municipal Com.
Commissioners at Calcutta
mand through their
Secretary engaged that the
the cost of the repairs
of Municipal Roads for
the current year, carried
out by the Public Works
Department together
with the allotment for
the year ¹⁸⁷⁷⁻⁷⁸ shall be paid in
in July and August 1877.
And that the allotments
for future years shall be
be forthcoming by the
same

same state in each year.
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advance to that expended
in each year for repairs
of roads between April
and July. It is clearly
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as stated in the District
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No. 66 recorded with L.L.
No. 1453 of 11 July. It
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the greater portion of
the revenue of the mu-
nicipality of Do Sacamund

can

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and has obtained a
letter from the
Governor. Under these circumstances
His Excellency the Governor
in Council is still
of opinion that the
cost of Municipal Road
Repairs in Do Sacamund
carried out by Public
Works Agency may be
advanced by the Gov.
Executive Engineer is
hitherto conditionally
in the payment in full
of the allotment for the
year, including the charge
for supervision, within
the month of August
in each year until the
completion of the Municipality
and

are such as to admit of the
 instalment being made
 at an earlier date by
 the earlier collection of the
 revenue. And the Govern-
 ment of India will
 be informed accordingly.
 No more work will be
 undertaken for which
 the entire cost cannot
 be guaranteed, and in-
 stalments paid of
 sufficient amount to
 prevent any advance
 by Public Works Dept.
 except in special cases
 of Government.

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To D. E. Halliday Esq
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 Nov. 8-12-76 Govt. of India

Public Works Dept.
 No 3205A. 4/28 Nov 76.

To The Secy to the Government of India.

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 his Excellency the Govern-
 in Council as regards
 the conduct of ^{the} Public
 Works in the Nilgiri
 District by the agency
 of the P. W. Dept.

G.O. No 3205 dated 1st 28th
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To Atty. Genl.

W.M.

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out by P. Works Agency
in the Nilgiri Dist -

Passing orders on letter
from the Govt of Madras
on the subject of pay-
ment in advance for -

For forwarding copy of P.W. Dept.
detailing the views of this
Govt. on the subject of
Municipal Works in
the Nilgiri District by the
Agency of the P.W. Dept. -

But will pay