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25th February 1876.*

No. 448. Read the following Circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department (Establishment—General), dated Fort William, 3rd February 1876, No. 10 P.W. :—

The Governments of Madras and Bombay, in the Public Works Department, General, Irrigation and Railway Branches.
The Governments of Bengal, North-Western Provinces and the Punjab, in the Public Works Department, General and Irrigation Branches.
The Chief Commissioners of Oude, Central Provinces, British Burmah, Mysore and Coorg, and Assam.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Agents of the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana.
The Superintendent of Port Blair, and Chief Commissioner, Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
The Inspector-General of Military Works.
The Director of State Railways.
The Director-General of Telegraphs.
The Director-in-Chief, Indo-European Telegraph.
The Director, Persian Telegraph.
The Deputy Director, Persian Gulf Telegraph.

Copy of the following forwarded to the Local Governments, Administrations and Officers noted in the margin, with request that Controllers of Public Works Accounts may be furnished with the covenants in all such cases.

Also to Accountant-General, Public Works Department, for issue of necessary instructions to Controllers.

(By order.)

(Signed) A. E. SAMPSON,

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 5, dated 6th January 1876.

Resolution by the Government of India, Financial Department.

Questions having been raised as to the rates of exchange at which payments were to be made to persons engaged by the Secretary of State in England for the service of the Government in India, under contracts fixing their allowances in sterling money, the Secretary of State, in a despatch No. 2, dated 4th January 1872, wrote to the Government of India as follows :—

“ Paragraph 5.—In all future agreements with Engineers and others on their proceeding to India, their salaries will be stated in rupees, and provision will be made for the payment of their furlough allowances and pensions under those agreements at the variable rate of exchange.”

2. And again in 1875 (*Despatch No. 152, dated 24th March*) the Secretary of State wrote :—

“ Paragraph 3.—In accordance with the request of your Government, I have issued instructions that in all future agreements with Engineers engaged for service in India, whether temporarily or otherwise, the salary or pay shall be stated in rupees, and that provision shall be made that any payments in this country under such agreements shall be made at the rate annually fixed for the adjustment of transactions between the Indian and Imperial Exchequers.”

3. It is important that any oversight that may occur in England in this matter should be brought promptly to the notice of the Government of India. To ensure this, the Governor-General in Council directs that no pay due to any officer in any department of the public service, under a contract made in England, shall be issued until the contract has been examined and registered by the Officer of the Account Department whose duty it is to audit the bills for such pay.

4. It will be the duty of such Account Officer, with reference to this Resolution, to bring immediately to the notice of the Government of India in the Financial Department, any instance in which he finds that the pay and allowances mentioned in any such contract

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are stated otherwise than in Government Rupees, or that it contains any stipulation for payments to be made in England without providing that they shall be made at the rate of exchange annually fixed for the adjustment of transactions between the Indian and Imperial Exchequers.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded for information and guidance—

To the Military, Public Works and Revenue Departments of the Government of India.

To the Comptroller-General and each Accountant-General and Deputy Accountant-General in independent charge.

To the Director-General of the Post Office.

No. 449. ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1876, No. 505.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 31.

COMMUNICATED to the officers concerned
for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

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

To District Engineers.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
„ Examiner of Railway Accounts.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
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To

Circular No. 10 Public Works.

Dated February 3, 1876.

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Forbids the issue of pay to Officers under contract made in England until such has been examined and registered by the Officer of the Account Department whose duty it is to audit the bills.

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