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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

5th November 1877, No. 1,450 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 39. Read again Government of India Orders passed upon the Imperial Public Works Budget for 1877-78, paragraph 13, printed in G.O., dated 16th May 1877, No. 86 W.

Read also endorsement of the Secretary to Government, dated 24th October 1877, No. 1,994.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th September 1877, No. 4,403.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 28th June 1877, No. 1,799, Financial Department:—

Read Proceedings of Government, Public Works Department, dated 16th May 1877, No. 86 W.

ABSTRACT.—*Imperial Public Works Budget Estimate for 1877-78* as amended by the orders of the Government of India, communicated to all officers concerned for information and guidance.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of Revenue with a request that they will submit their views on the suggestion made by the Government of India in paragraph 13 of their orders.

In the Order above recorded the Government desire the views of the Board of Revenue on the suggestion made by the Government of India that roads branching off from the trunk roads and leading to the salt-pans should be provided for from Provincial Funds.

2. The Board consider that the sole question for determination is, whether the allotments for roads of the kind were, or were not, included in the computation on which the Provincial grant is based. As will be explained below, it appears that such allotments were *not* included in the computation, and as a consequence all works of the kind must, under present arrangements, form a charge on the Imperial Revenues and be shown in the Imperial Public Works Budget.

3. Prior to the introduction of the decentralisation system, and for some time after it, only the large and really important salt works were shown in the Public Works Budget, the grants in which for the year 1870-71 formed the basis of the Provincial assignment for public works. All minor works appeared in the Civil Budget only under the head of "Petty Construction and Repairs." For instance, the Salt Budget for 1870-71 contained under "Petty Construction and Repairs" allotments for new salt roads or "approaches" aggregating Rupees 23,830, besides maintenance grants amounting to Rupees 12,810, almost the whole of which were on account of roads of the kind.

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4. Recently, however, it has been decided* that all works requiring professional skill and supervision should be entered in the budget of the Public Works Department, and in their Proceedings, dated 10th February 1876, No. 412, the Board requested that certain works should be transferred from the Petty Construction and Repairs Budget to the budget of the Public Works Department. Amongst these works will be found the road which forms the subject of the present reference.

5. Care must, of course, be taken that no works are now shown in the Imperial Public Works Budget which would not formerly have been entered in the Petty Construction and Repairs Budget, and the question must be kept quite distinct from that which frequently arises as to whether Local Fund Boards have a good claim to a special grant from Provincial Funds on account of lines of road which are mainly useful for the development of the salt traffic.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
for Acting Sub-Secretary.

TRANSFERRED to the Financial Department with reference to G.O. in that Department, dated 28th June 1877, No. 1,799.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
22nd October 1877.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

FORWARDED to the Public Works Department with reference to the Orders in that Department, dated 19th May 1877, No. 86 W, paragraph 7.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, 5th November 1877, No. 1,450 W.

ORDERED that the Government of India be addressed.

(Here enter No. 1,451 W, dated 5th November 1877.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

No. 1,451 W.

No. 41.

FROM

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

SIR,—In the thirteenth paragraph of the orders passed by the Government of India on the Madras Imperial Budget in the Public Works Department for the current year, the Government of India suggested the propriety of providing from the Provincial Grant funds for roads branching off from trunk roads and leading to salt-pans, and invited an expression of the views of this Government.

2. In reply I am directed to observe that the roads in question are needed solely for salt purposes. Under the system of administration in force prior to the introduction of the decentralisation system these roads would have appeared in the Imperial Salt Budget under the head of "Petty Construction and Repairs." The particular road which has elicited this correspondence appeared indeed under that head, and was only transferred to the Public Works Budget in 1876 at the request of the Madras Revenue Board.

3. In the Civil Budget for 1870-71 appropriations to the extent of Rs. 23,830 on account of such salt roads, or approaches, as they might better be called, and maintenance grants aggregating Rupees 12,810, almost the whole of which sum was to be expended on those roads, were provided.

4. It seems to His Excellency in Council that such works were plainly not included in the computation upon which the Provincial Budget Grant was based, and that they were rightly charged against Imperial Funds in the Public Works Budget. To charge them against the Provincial Grant would appear to be incorrect in principle and unfair to Provincial administration.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Secretary to Go.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
5th November 1877.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

16th May 1877, No. 86 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Account.

Read the following papers:—

No. 165. From Major J. G. STEEL, R.E., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 2nd April 1877, No. 303 A—G.

I AM directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 275, dated 27th January 1877, and in reply to forward herewith, for information and guidance, the orders passed on Madras Imperial Public Works Budget Estimate for 1877-78.

MADRAS PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET ORDERS, 1877-78.

THE Madras Imperial Public Works Budget Estimate has been framed for a total of Rupees 8,37,057; but, as the grant allowed is only Rupees 8,37,000, it will be necessary to reduce the amount by Rupees 57, which will be done from Other Services under Civil Buildings.

2. Another modification necessary in the Budget Estimate is to transfer the provision of Rupees 24,270 for roads in connection with salt mines from Communications to Civil Buildings. All works in connection with salt works are placed under Civil Buildings, and, if a portion of the expenditure is recorded under Communications, it will be difficult to ascertain the total outlay on salt works so that the modification made is necessary.

3. With these modifications the Madras Budget Estimate for 1877-78 will stand as follows as compared with the grant of 1876-77 and the outlay of the three previous years:—

	Budget Estimate, 1877-78.	Grant, 1876-77.	Outlay, 1875-76.	Outlay, 1874-75.	Outlay, 1873-74.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
MILITARY—	2,42,326	2,95,000	...	...	...
Major Works	1,14,680	84,000	...	...	...
Minor "	3,57,000	3,79,000	3,87,160	3,28,534	2,69,460
	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,60,590	2,32,218	2,59,700
Repairs	1,52,000	1,57,000	1,61,940	1,46,350	1,19,080
Establishment	16,000	14,000	23,610	28,078	15,100
Tools and Plant	—25,000	—50,000	—2,080	26,000	74,260
Stock and Suspense	7,50,000	7,50,000	8,31,220	7,61,180	7,37,600
OTHER SERVICES—	48,763	73,200	13,320	28,630	21,050
Civil Buildings { Works ...	18,000	6,000	6,210	4,710	4,000
{ Repairs ...	1,000	...	4,280	...	...
Miscellaneous Pub- { Works ...	1,000	...	2,620	...	...
lic Improvements { Repairs ...	17,205	19,750	11,610	16,160	5,910
Establishment	1,032	1,550	850	2,770	710
Tools and Plant	...	...	—34,050	5,690	870
Stock	87,000	1,00,500	4,840	57,960	32,540
Grand Total ...	8,37,000	8,50,500	8,36,060	8,19,140	7,70,140

Reply

4. The provision for Original Works, Military, may be analysed as follows:—

	No. of Works.	Amount of Estimate.	Computed Expenditure to end of 1876-77.	Grant, 1877-78.
		RS.	RS.	RS.
Works in progress—				
I.—Provision for works in progress, the grants for which will suffice for their completion in 1877-78 ...	6	3,18,608	2,03,752	1,12,700
New Works—				
II.—Provision for works, the grants for which will be sufficient for their completion in 1877-78 ...	4	78,775	...	77,120
III.—Provision for works, the grants for which will be insufficient for their completion in 1877-78 ...	...	2,68,370	...	40,000
IV.—Minor Works ...	...	...	...	1,14,680
				3,44,500
V.—Works for which there are no estimates ...	1	...	...	12,500
				3,57,000

5. Under group II, the only item of importance is the provision of Rupees 50,000 for the purchase of ground for the construction of a new set of lines for Native Infantry Regiment at Poodoopett in Madras. The charge has been admitted to be a Public Works one, and the construction of new lines has been recognized by Government of India in the Military Department to be an urgent want, for which funds should be provided as early as possible. But the complete estimate showing the entire cost of the work is wanting, and should be prepared and dealt with under the rules in force as soon as possible.

6. Under group III comes the work of providing double-storeyed barracks for 200 men, and barracks for 30 families at Poonamallee. Estimated to cost Rupees 2,68,570 the grant of Rupees 40,000 will admit of only one-sixth of the work being completed. The estimate has been approved of by the Government of India, subject to provision of funds; but before passing orders as to the final admission of the work into the Budget, the Government of India would be glad to know whether it would not be preferable to devote the whole or a portion of the proposed allotment to the additional group of incorporating mills for the Gun Powder Factory at Madras for which the Military Department in its endorsement No. 448, dated 7th April 1876, asked that provision might be made.

7. It is observed that, under Major Works, there are only three entries, viz., 14, 15, and 16, aggregating in amount Rupees 19,000 for projects relating to general sanitary improvements. The Government of India trusts that works of this important class are receiving their full share of attention, and that a considerable proportion of the allotment for "Minor Works" will be devoted to them.

8. The decrease of stock under Military is expected to be Rupees 25,000. But the Budget contains no list of the works, the grants for which should be reduced in case the decrease does not occur. The Government of India request that the items, reduced in such a case may be selected, and that no expenditure on them be allowed until the decrease does occur.

9. Under Civil Buildings of the provision of Rupees 43,740 for Original Works, Rupees 19,920 is for a Telegraph Office at Ootacamund, Rupees 3,000 for the same place, and the balance for salt works.

Postal	8,550
Telegraph	3,000
Salt	8,370
	19,920

10. The provision for salt works is—

	Estimate	Grant
Road from Trunk road to salt platform at Tirumalapur	2,500	5,000
Completing Palayaukal catch	6,000	3,000
Improving the Vadarniem	...	7,000

11. As regards the last work, information is necessary why any portion of its cost is debited to the grant for salt works, since the cost of similar works is debited to either Provincial or Imperial according as the work is one of communications or of irrigation.

12. Again under Repairs there is a provision of Rupees 5,000 for the maintenance of the same canal, and of Rupees 7,000 "for Imperial share of maintenance of East Coast Canal." The East Coast Canal, however, is a Provincial and Local Fund Work, and the provision of Rupees 7,000 for its repairs, from the salt grant, virtually amounts to a grant-in-aid to Provincial Funds. Probably there may be good reasons for this grant, but the facts are required to be known, and the Government of India would feel obliged for information as to the reasons which led to the provision for maintenance for both the canals being made from the Ordinary grant for Imperial Civil Works.

13. A question also arises as to whether the roads branching off from the Trunk roads and leading to the Salt Pans should not be provided for from Provincial funds. The Government of India would be glad to receive an expression of the views of the Government of Madras on this point.

14. The works in Class C list are 15 in number. The most important of these are:—

	RS.
Stabling for 182 horses, Bangalore	33,610
for 220 "	42,920
Third pavilion for Race-course "Hospital, Bangalore	78,970
Garrison Gymnasium, Bangalore	44,600
Stone-wall enclosure round Military Prison, Bangalore	22,100
Drainage of Barracks, Bangalore	40,400
Waterloo Bridge at Wellington	17,870

15. As it is undesirable to incur large liabilities at present, the Government of India prefer to strike out the items detailed above so as to avoid the chance of their being commenced with insufficient allotments. On the Garrison Gymnasium at Bangalore, it is reported that it is likely that there will be an expenditure of Rupees 2,342 during the current official year. If so, it is not apparent why provision for going on with the work is not made for next year. The necessity for the Waterloo Bridge at Wellington requires explanation.

16. The Budget has been prepared according to the new form and arrangements, but there are the following points calling for notice:—

I.—Item 3.—Converting No. 1 range family quarters into a guard-room and lock-up is treated as a portion of the project for barracks for European Infantry at Cannanore. But the work is one of those items the construction of which is undertaken in the ordinary course, and should therefore be treated as a distinct work of itself, and the grant placed under "Normal." The same remark applies to the case of Item No. 4, new roofs to verandahs of barracks, Bellary.

II.—The grant of Rupees 4,200 for three latrines for Native Infantry at Bellary is placed under "Special." The item is obviously a normal item of expenditure, and should be placed accordingly.

ESTIMATE OF IMPERIAL PUBLIC WORKS REVENUE.

17. The estimate is accepted for Rupees 74,500, the Regular Estimate of 1876-77 being Rupees 71,850.

FORT WILLIAM,
2nd April 1877.

(Signed) W. A. CROMMELIN, Major-Genl., R.E.,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 105-A. Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 9th May 1877, No. 2,769.

Telegram from Colonel CLERK, Ootacamund, to Colonel J. MICHAEL, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Madras, 7th May 1877.

HIS EXCELLENCY consents to Poonamallee allotment being transferred to Gun Powder Mills.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department.

(By order.)

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secy. to Govt., Mil. Dept.

No. 166. ORDER THEREON, 16th May 1877, No. 86 W.

ORDERED that the Budget as amended by these orders be communicated to all officers concerned for information and guidance.

2. Adverting to paragraph 5 of the orders of the Government of India the District Engineer, Presidency, will expedite the submission of complete plans and estimates for the construction of new lines for a Regiment of Native Infantry at Poodoopett, arranging meanwhile for the purchase of the site for which a provision of Rupees 50,000 has been made in the Public Works Budget Estimate. The Military Department will provide the sum of Rupees 28,345 debitable to that department on account of land.—Vide G.O., No. 3,276, dated 4th December 1876.

3. In reference to paragraph 6 His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief having expressed his concurrence in the postponement of the construction of the Poona-mallee Barracks, the funds provided in Items Nos. 7 to 11* will be diverted to the additional group of incorporating mills for the Gun Powder Factory at Madras.

* Preliminary Issue.

4. The attention of District Engineers and of the Military Department is called to paragraph 7. Works of the class mentioned will be held to have a prior claim to appropriation of funds at the disposal of Government, and they should be specially brought forward with this view by the officers concerned.

5. The course indicated in paragraph 8 as to selection of works will in future be adopted in the preparation of budgets. For the current year a sum of Rupees 25,000 will be held at the disposal of Government from the grant for Minor Works till the anticipated reductions of stock balances are placed beyond doubt. The Examiner will report on this subject in due course.

6. With reference to paragraphs 11 and 12 the Government of India will be furnished with a separate note showing the reasons which have led this Government to provide for the works in question from the grant for Imperial Works under Salt. Meanwhile the District Engineer, Tanjore, will expedite the plans and estimates called for in paragraph 8 of G.O., No. 2,507, dated 19th September 1876.

7. The Board of Revenue will be requested in the Financial Department to favor the Government with their views on the suggestion made by the Government of India in paragraph 13.

8. It is remarked with reference to paragraph 15 that the expenditure of Rupees 2,342 on the Garrison Gymnasium at Bangalore was incurred from the appropriation work; the balance of funds being surrendered to the Government of India in compliance with the urgent call made for restriction of outlay on Imperial Public Works. The Government of India will have since learnt from docket No. 903, dated 20th March 1877, that their proposal to continue the work was received too late to admit of its further prosecution during 1876-77.

9. The necessity for the reconstruction of the Waterloo bridge at Wellington has been long recognized, but the work has been postponed in favor of other works of more pressing importance and of greater general utility. The danger of crossing the rapid nullah by the existing ford has, however, recently been brought prominently to the notice of the Governor in Council. In August last a Soldier of the 16th Lancers

met his death from the effects of a fall while attempting the passage, and it has been represented that this is not the first fatal accident that has occurred at the same place. The proposed bridge will facilitate communication between the Barracks, Wellington bazaar and Coonoor on the one hand, and Ootacamund on the other.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, B.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To District Engineers.
To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Consulting Architect.
" Military Department.
" Financial "
" Revenue "
" Board of Revenue.
" Accountant-General.
" Postmaster-General.
" Superintendent of Telegraphs.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd December 1875.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 30. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department,
dated 1st November 1875, No. 1,551.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th September 1875, No. 2,589.

Read again G.O., dated 13th May 1875, No. 971, Revenue Department.

Read also—

From the Collector of Ganjam,	dated 14th July	1875, No. 1,494.
" " of Vizagapatam, "	2nd August	" " 3,391.
" " of Godavery, "	9th July	" " 286.
" " of Kistna, "	20th "	" " 992.
" " of Nellore, "	5th "	" " 1,818.
" " of Chingleput, "	6th "	" " 382.
" " of South Arcot, "	28th "	" " 274.
" " of Tanjore, "	16th "	" " 3,414.
" " of Madura, "	26th June	" " 270.
" " of Tinnevely, "	15th July	" " 350.
" " of South Canara, "	7th "	" " 1,244.
" " of Malabar, "	20th "	" " 233.

In the above Government Order the Board were requested to report which of the works provided for in the Salt Budget of 1875-76 require professional supervision, in order that they may be transferred to the Imperial Budget of Public Works. The Board in their Proceedings, dated 2nd June 1875, No. 1,482, called upon the Collectors of Salt Districts to specify such works, and the letters above recorded are their replies.

2. The works reported by the Collectors to require professional supervision are exhibited in the accompanying statement, and it is submitted to Government with the request that the works may be transferred from Petty Construction and Repairs to the Public Works Budget.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed)

C. A. GALTON,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

reply

List of Salt Works under Petty Construction and Repairs to be transferred to the Public Works Budget.

District.	Number.	Locality.	Project.	Description.	Amount of			Computed Expenditure up to 31st March 1875.	Amount required in 1875-76.	
					RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Nellore	34	Dugarazapattam	Original Works.	Constructing new Police Lines for the Salt Guard ...	4,500	...	4,500	...	4,500	...
	35	Kistnapattam		Constructing a Watch Tower on the No. 1, "Utturapu Platform" ...	450	...	450	...	450	...
	36	Padarti Division, Birungunta Station.		Constructing a Watch Tower on the No. 3 or Vinayakam Platform ...	450	...	450	...	450	...
	37	Tunnalappenta		Making a road or approach from the Trunk Road near Kavali to the Salt Platform ...	3,210	...	3,210	...	3,210	...
	38	Tada Division		Improving the approach to the Salt Platforms ...	4,000	...	4,000	...	4,000	...
Chingleput... Tinnevely...	64	Northern Pans	Repairs.	Constructing permanent locks or sluices ...	12,610	...	12,610	...	12,610	...
	79	Vizapatthi		Constructing six huts for Police Constables ...	6,000	...	6,000	...	6,000	...
Nellore	137	Kistnapattam	Salt Contingencies—Original Works.	Total, Original Works ...	2,580	...	2,580	...	1,000	...
				Pulling down and rebuilding the Watch Tower on the No. 2 or Turupu Salt Platform ...	21,190	...	21,190	...	19,610	...
South Arcot. Do.	306	Merkanum	Salt Contingencies—Original Works.	Extending the Puliyanikal Catch Drain so as to empty itself into the Backwater below the Tumbakum Causeway ...	450	...	450	...	450	...
	315	Harigoshiti		The Harigoshiti Project ...	450	...	450	...	450	...
Chingleput...	284		Salt Contingencies—Original Works.	Clearing the Northern and Southern Canals ...	7,500	...	7,500	...	154	...
				Total ...	15,000	...	15,000	...	12,844	...
				Total ...	22,500	...	22,500	...	12,998	...
				Grand Total ...	...	...	...	...	27,998	...
					...	...	...	...	48,058	...

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd December 1875.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd December 1875.

Separate Revenue, No. 1.
Salt.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department with reference to Proceedings in that department, dated 29th April 1875, No. 1,185.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) LORNE A. CAMPBELL,
Under Secy. to Government, R. D.

No. 31. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 20th November 1875, No. 1,664.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd October 1875, No. 2,939.
From H. NEWMAN, Esq., Acting Collector of the Kistna District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipattam, 23rd September 1875, No. 1,230.

* Sanctioned in G.O., No. 1,598, dated 19th December 1874, communicated with Board's Proceedings, dated 25th June 1875, No. 1,759.

In the Revenue Budget* of the current official year Rupees 20,000 were allotted for Salt canal from Mangalapudy to Masulipattam under Petty Construction and Repair, "Salt."

2. Government in their Order, No. 43, of the 11th January 1875, embodied in Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings, No. 342, of the 18th idem, mentioned that the subject of transfer of funds from the Civil to Public Works Budget is under reference to the Government of India.

3. The District Engineer now wishes to know if the necessary funds will be placed at his disposal for putting the work in hand. I have the honor to request the Board's instructions on the subject.

THE work is entered in the list of Petty Construction and Repairs to be executed in the Revenue Department, and was not included in the list of works to be transferred to the Department of Public Works, forwarded to Government with the Board's Proceedings, dated 16th September 1875, No. 2,589, as the Collector reported in his letter, dated 20th July 1875, No. 992, that there were no works to be transferred to the Public Works Budget. The Government will now be requested to add the work under notice, viz., "the canal from Mangalapudy to Masulipattam, Rupees 20,000," to the list forwarded with the Board's Proceedings above referred to. This raises the total amount to be transferred to the Department of Public Works from Rupees 43,058 to Rupees 68,058.

(A true Copy and Extract.)
(Signed)

C. A. GALTON,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd December 1875.*

Separate Revenue, No. 27.

Salt.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works
Department in continuation of Pro-
ceedings, dated 1st November 1875
No. 1,551.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) LORNE A. CAMPBELL,
Under Secy. to Government, R.D.

No. 32. ORDER THEREON, 3rd December 1875, No. 3,423.

ACCOUNT, No. 2-A.

ORDERED that the Government of
India be requested to authorize the
requisite transfer of funds from the Civil
to the Public Works Budget to admit of the execution of the works in question by
officers of the Public Works Department. Meanwhile the Revenue Department will be
requested to communicate to the Public Works Department all orders sanctioning the
works, and will issue the necessary instructions for the plans and estimates being made
over to the local officers of Public Works Department concerned.

2. In future, the plans and estimates of salt works requiring professional
supervision will, after approval in the Revenue Department, be transferred to the
Public Works Department for sanction. Provision for such works will be made in the
Imperial Public Works Budget. It is desirable that the Public Works Department
should be informed, without delay, whether any, and if so what, works are to be so
treated in 1876-77, in order that the necessary steps may be taken.

(Here enter No. 3,429, dated 3rd December 1875.)

(True Extract.)

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

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts
„ Revenue Department.
„ District Engineers concerned.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 3rd December 1875.

No. 33.

No. 3,423.

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. 2-AA.

SIR,—I am to invite attention to the
letter from the Assistant Secretary to the
Government of India in the Financial
Department, No. 1,368, dated 8th February 1875, in which it is stated that all salt
works requiring professional supervision should be constructed by the Public Works
Department and their cost adjusted as
G.O., No. 3,423, of 3rd December 1875. expenditure of that department. A list* of
such works, included in the Budget of Petty Construction and Repair for 1875-76, is
herewith submitted, and I am to request the sanction of the Government of India to
the transfer of their allotments to the Public Works Budget.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

Read the following:—

Endorsement in the Revenue Department } (No. 1994 of 24th Oct 1877)

His Grace the Governor
in Council concurs in the
conclusions of the Board.

To The Board of Revenue.
" Examiner P. W. Accounts
" Financial Department.

The papers will be forwarded
to the Government of India

To The Secretary to the
Government of India

Sir In paragraph 13 of
the Resolution of the Government
of India forwarded under
cover of Major Steel's letter of
2nd April 1877 No 303 A. &c.
enquiry is made as to whether
roads branching off from
Trunk roads and leading
to Salt Pans should not
be provided for from
Provincial funds. In

reply

I would suggest to
letter setting out
entirely & more
the survey of
the proposed road
of which I have
I am & say
I was asked
to send full

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Exd. W. L. French.

J. W. D.

P. M. G.
under date the 5 Novr 1877
No. 1450 N.

again the sent.
India orders passed
in the Imperial J. W. Budget
in 1877-78. para. 13
J. W. D. No. 86 N dated
10 May 1877.

Read, also
Home Board of
Revenue

J. W. D. No. 4408 dated 20th
Sept. 1877.

Advised that the
Govt of India has
addressed.

J. W. D. No. 1450 N dated 15 Nov 77

To Secy.

India J. W. Dept.

Sir. In the thirteenth

11/11/1877
14/11/1877
11/11/1877

Revenue 1877 Sept 1877

No. 4435

1877 (London - Aug)

Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

The Financial Secy

Proceedings, 20th Sept. 1877, No. 4408.

Payment with reference

to the m. that be paid

to the m. that be paid

No. 6330

Encl.

Received
17th Oct 1877

Secy. to Govt

SEPTEMBER.

No. 4408.

For the Secy

Notes—branching off from Trunk Roads and
leading to the Salt-pans—Submitting Board's
views with reference to suggestion made by
Government of India that—should be provided
for from Provincial Funds.

Transferred

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Forwarded to the Public Works De.
partment with reference to the orders in that
department. of 19 May 1877. 86. N. para. 7

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Secretary to Govt

Handwritten notes
24. 10. 1877

G.O. 16-May 1877 2086. M.
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Paragraph of the orders
passed by the Govt. of
India on the Madras
Imperial Budget in the
P. W. Department for
the current year, the
Govt. of India suggested
the propriety of providing
from the Provincial Grant
funds for roads branching
off from the Trunk Roads
and leading to the
Salt Pans, and in-
cluded an explanation
of the views of
this Government.

2. In reply I am
directed to answer
that the roads in
question are needed
solely for salt purposes.
Under the system of
administration in force
prior to the introduction
of the decentralisation
system these roads
would have appeared

5 23
Imperial
in the Salt Budget
under the head of "Salty
Construction and Repairs".
The particular road
which has elicited this
correspondence appeared
indeed under that
head, and was only
transferred to the P.
W. Budget in 1876 at
the request of the
Madras Revenue Board.
In the Civil Budget
for 1870-71 appropriation
to the extent of Rs.
23,830 on account of
such "salty roads, or
approaches, as they
might better be called
and maintenance grants
aggregating Rs. 12,810,
almost ~~the~~ ^{the} whole of which
was for the repairs
on those roads; none
provided.
It seems to be

Let's approach

to the

excellency in Council
that such works were
plainly not included
in the computation
upon which the
Provincial Budget
~~is based~~ was based,
and that they were
rightly charged against
Imperial Funds in
the P.B. Budget. To charge
them against the
Provincial Fund would,
I am directed to
say, be incorrect in
principle.

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James

Resp 10-11-77 with Sir
Hans cop.

Close 112
Sept. 11 1877
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 5 Nov 1877, No. 1450 W
#1451 W

Nos. 39-40-41

Roads branching off
from Trunk Roads and
leading to Salt Pans

Ordered that the Encl. India
be addressed on the subject
of the propriety of providing
from Imperial Grant funds
for —

The propriety of providing
from Imperial Grant funds
for Roads branching off
from Trunk Roads leading
to Salt Pans.