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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1914	(14)	Press Mis.
Dated 3-12-	1877.	

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

3rd December 1877, No. 1,914 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following papers:—

15 No. 16.5 From the District Engineer, Cuddapah, dated 15th Nov. 1877, No. 2,011.

No. 16-A From the Acting District Engineer, Coimbatore, dated 24th November 1877, No. 148 C.I.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 3rd December 1877, No. 1,914 W.

In anticipation of the approval of the Government of India, His Excellency in Council resolves to regulate the maximum amount of cash imprests in the famine districts by the amount of pay drawn for three days by the coolies employed upon the work in connection with which the imprest is required.

2. Executive Officers will understand clearly that a wise discretion must be used, and that the maximum amount must not be taken as the normal standard for imprests.

(Here enter No. 1,915 W, dated 3rd December 1877.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the District Engineers.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

No. 1,915 W.

No. 18.

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 Resolution of the Government of India contained in Public Works Circular No. 54 of the 3rd October, the Governor-General in Council directed that, in future, imposts should be limited to a maximum of Rupees 1,000 in each case.

2. This ruling has been found to conflict with the orders which His Grace in Council has issued directing that famine coolies shall be paid not less often than twice a week.

3. These frequent, yet necessary, payments cannot be made by Overseers at a distance from Treasuries, if the maximum amount of each impost is limited to the sum before mentioned.

4. With a view therefore of enabling the subordinates on charge of relief-works to make regular payments, His Grace the Governor in Council has directed that in famine districts the maximum amount of cash imposts shall be regulated by the amount of pay drawn for three days for the coolies employed upon the work in connection with which the impost is required.

5. In allowing this relaxation of the Government of India rules, His Grace in Council has given Executive Officers clearly to understand that they must exercise a wise discretion, and must not take the maximum amount of imposts under this rule as the normal standard.

6. I am to request that the Viceroy in Council will be pleased to confirm this relaxation of the rules which the Madras Government, in anticipation of the approval of the Government of India, have directed to have effect.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
3rd December 1877.

Ed. E. C. Shunker.
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N. 1482

District Engineer's Office
Camp Udumalpettah.

21st November 1877

From

The Ag District Engineer
Coimbatore

To The Chief Engineer

Public Works Department
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the recent order of the Government of India ruling that Imprests are not to exceed Rs 1000 renders it very difficult for Overseers at a distance from Treasuries to carry out the orders of Government which direct that Famine coolies should not be paid less frequently than twice a week.

2. A case came under my notice in which some coolies had not been paid for more than 3 days and on inquiry I found that the difficulty arose from the smallness of the Imprest. The average amount required for payment each day was Rs 800 and the works were at

From
The Agt District Engrs
Bombay

To,
The Chief Engineer,
D. P. W.

No 14805

Dated 24th November 1877

Coolies employed on
Famine Relief Works

Brings to notice the
difficulty experienced in the
payment of — owing
to the ruling that payments
are not to exceed Rs 1000

No 15. A-16

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Copy of a letter from the Supervisor in
charge of Sidhout Range to the District
Engineer of Bundelkhand dated 5th November 1877
No 1780

I have the honor to invite your attention
to G.O. No 1134 W dated 19th October 1877, and
to request that you will be good enough to
address Government on the matter of some
relaxation at the present time of the limit
of cash Imprests.

2. By the above G.O. cash Imprests are
limited to Rs 1000, a sum far too low, when
large numbers of coolies are paid almost daily,
as it gives no time to recoup a disburser.

3. As an instance of many similar cases,
the overseer on the Kootoot-Whitnail Road
has to pay away on average of Rs 1800 per
week as follows: Viz:-

1 st Section Tuesday	Rs 600-0-0
2 nd do Wednesday	" 300-0-0
1 st do Friday	" 600-0-0
2 nd do Saturday	" 300-0-0

The payments on Tuesday and Wednesday nearly
exhaust his cash advance, (limited to Rs 1000)
until a cash Extract is received by me and a
cheque sent for the amount expended. The

Enclosure in letter No. 2011 dated
13th November 1877 from the District
Engineer of Cuddapah.

General 2011 Cuddapah District Engineer's Office
Camp & Madanapally. 13th November 1877.

To the District Engineer
Cuddapah

The District Engineer
Public Works Department
Cuddapah

In forwarding the enclosed copy of letter
received from the Superintendent, Changanassery

requesting to obtain orders for
the relaxation of the rule contained in G.O. No. 1134-77 dated 19th October 1877, signed by the Hon^{ble}

to suggest that, for the circumstances mentioned,
therein and for the inconvenience which will
result in the payment of large numbers of

Relief works from imposts being limited to
Rs 1000 only; the cash imposts may be raised from
Rs 1000 to 2500 to enable the upper and lower

Subordinates employed on relief works to make regular
payments.

I have the honor to be
Your most obedient servant
The District Engineer

General

Lr.

I think, as a special case, for famine requirements, the imprest might be increased as required, but if the arrangement is likely to last more than a few months, it would be probably better to make the District Officer a Sub-divisional Officer with a regular drawing account at the Treasury.

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From

The District Engineer
of Cuddalore

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Madras

Dated 13.
Despd 15.
Recd } December 1877
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Cash Imprests

Requests to increase the limita-
tion of: — from Rs 1000 to Rs
2500.

To C.
For opinion 7/11
16/11/77

No 1914 Public Works Department
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

Read the following

From A. L. S. S. S. -
From the Actg District Engineer
Cuddalore

H. S. No. 2011, dated 7/11/77
H. S. No. 148, C. L. d/24 Nov 1877.

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the approval of the Government
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By 11/12

A. P.

A. S. S. S. S.
S. S. S. S. S.
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DIS 5-12-77

Standard

Standard for imprints.

29/11 H.B. 10/19/15 dated
3 Dec 77

Mr. Probaker was at
the meeting brought to
the notice of H.B. the C.
by Mr Wedderburn at
Prode as regards

the representative item

made by Mr

Wedderburn, I

have heard

nothing further

& do not know whether

he will appear at the

meeting as H.B.

requested him to

do or not.

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P. H. Dept.
No 1915-8 3 Dec 77

The Secretary to the
Government of India

P. H. Dept.

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Govt. of India
PUBLIC WORKS.

To District Engineers.

Dated

Issued

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Encl.

G. O. 3 Dec 1877, No. 1916 W
7915 W

Nos. 15-17-18

Cash Imprests The
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the imprest is required

Cash Imprests
B. P. Singh