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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2187 (W)

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

20th December 1877, No. 2,187 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following papers :—

No. 183. From W. S. HARRINGTON, Esq., District Engineer, Madura, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Madura, 24th November 1877, No. 216.

I HAVE the honor to bring the following facts to your notice, with reference to my letter No. 135, dated 9th September last, on which G.O., No. 791 W, was passed on the 27th idem.

2. Copy of this order was sent to Mr. Montserrat, the Sub-Divisional Officer, on the 5th October, the date of its receipt, with the following endorsement :—

"Communicated to the Assistant Engineer, Peracolum Sub-division, for information, guidance and particular attention. Mr. Montserrat should apply to the Tahsildar for laborers, they being limited to those mentioned in paragraph 2."

Work was commenced on the road on the 26th ultimo by "Marithaven" under instructions from the Overseer, who in his turn received them from his Sub-Divisional Officer; these instructions were to carry on the work according to paragraph 5 of Government Order in the Revenue Department, dated 24th September, No. 2,847, communicated with Departmental Order, No. 801 W, dated 28th idem; but paragraph 29 of the above No. 2,847, would appear not to have been read by the Sub-Divisional Officer, at any rate it has not been acted up to; a large number of coolies have been employed who have been sent by the head-men of different villages, under instructions, I presume, from the Tahsildars, but not one of these has presented the "duplicate nominal roll," without which, paragraph 29 lays down, that no one should be employed. I am told that an expenditure of nearly 3 000 Rupees has been incurred, people having been summoned from their villages in all directions. I will address Government again on the subject early next week, when I can do so more exactly. I purpose proceeding to the work and making the necessary inquiries on Tuesday next. Of course I cannot but feel that numbers of people who should have gone to work in the fields may have been drawn to the lighter labor and the larger profits of the road work.

No. 183-A. From the same Officer, dated Madura, 4th December 1877, No. 233.

I HAVE the honor to forward copy of the Progress Report of Relief-works under

1 Copy of Progress Report.
1 Do. of the return of expenditure upon children.
1 Do. of Mr. Montserrat's No. 670, dated 3rd instant.
1 Do. of the District Engineer's reply to Mr. Montserrat, No. 2,267, dated 3rd instant.

the Executive Engineer, Dindigul Division, for the week ending 24th ultimo. Mr. Paynter in his No. 2,588, dated 28th idem, reports that his subordinates are acting strictly up to the rules laid down in paragraphs 5 and 29 of G.O., No. 2,847, of the 24th September last.

2. Copies of Mr. Montserrat's report and of my reply thereto, regarding Road No. 4 from Madura to Tinnevely, are enclosed for your information. The conduct of the man "Marithaven," referred to in my No. 216, dated 24th ultimo, is still under inquiry, the work has been taken from him as he has disobeyed orders; the amount due to him will be settled and reported upon hereafter.

RETURN of Expenditure upon Children under 7 years of age, whose parents are upon the Relief Works under the Supervision of the Officer in Charge of the Famine for the Week ending Saturday 24th November 1877.

Name of Work.	Total number of Children.	Total number of Women taking care of them.	Grand Total.	Expenditure incurred during the week.	Expenditure previously incurred.	Total Expenditure.	REMARKS.
Black ch. 31 June	246	42	288	8	"	8	Paid during the week and appointed women to take charge of same.
Handpail to stone	168	"	168	6	5	11	
Relaying channel	354	"	354	13	6	19	
from Cophylipally				10	4	5	
from Cophylipally						10	
Total ...							

N.B.—Any discrepancy between the return submitted and previous returns should be explained in the column of Remarks.

Signed J. M. Montserrat
District Engineer, Madura
Revenue (Famine) Department.

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District Engineer, Madura
Revenue (Famine) Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 20TH DECEMBER 1877, No. 2,187 W.

From W. M. MONTERRAT, Esq., Assistant Engineer, Peracolum Sub-Division, to W. S. HARRINGTON, Esq., District Engineer, Madura, dated Tiroomungalum, 3rd December 1877, No. 670.

I have the honor to inform you that on my arrival at Tiroomungalum this morning I met Mr. Turner, Special Assistant Collector, who showed me the enclosed copy of G.O., 20th November 1877, F.R. No. 2,824, and stated that he would have to turn out some (10 or 15) coolies from the relief camp at this place. I have therefore the honor to request your orders as to whether I may recommence the work (relaying metal and gravel) from the third mile of Road No. 4 (Madura to Thanevelly), putting on Sub-overseer Chockalingam Pillai, instead of entrusting the work to Contractor Marithaven, to receive any coolies who will be able to produce a nominal roll from the relief camp, signed by the Tahsildar or other Civil official entrusted to do so by the Special Assistant Collector.

From W. S. HARRINGTON, Esq., District Engineer, Madura, to W. M. MONTERRAT, Esq., Assistant Engineer, Peracolum Sub-Division, dated Madura, 3rd December 1877, No. 2,267.

Your No. 670, dated 3rd instant.

2. Your suggestion is approved. Care should be taken that the coolies are limited to those sent by the Civil authorities with duplicate nominal rolls, as laid down in paragraphs 5 and 29 of G.O., No. 2,847, of the 24th September last.

3. The Contractor "Marithaven" should be informed that the work done by him is very disgraceful, that he will not be allowed to do a stroke more and that the amount to be paid to him will be determined hereafter.

No. 184. ORDER THEREON, 20th December 1877, No. 2,187 W.

The permission to employ contractors, granted in Public Works G.O., No. 791 W, of the 27th September last, to the District Engineer, Madura, is cancelled. The District Engineer will, in future, strictly follow the instructions conveyed in G.O., No. 801 W, of the 28th September, and in the Revenue Proceedings upon which it was based.

2. Mr. Harrington has not reported clearly the person to whom blame should be attached in the present case. He will ascertain whether Mr. Montserrat, the Sub-Divisional Officer, or the Overseer beneath him, is in fault, and report the result of his inquiries to the Chief Engineer.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, Madura.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.

Ed. S. T. Austin.
Spare Copies

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[Signature]

Sub Division Office
Tirumangalam 3rd Decr/77.

N^o 670

From

The Assistant Engineer
Percutorn Sub Divn.

To

The District Engineer
Madurai

Sir

I have the honor to inform you
that on my arrival at Tirumangalam
this morning I met Mr. Turner, District
Assistant Collector who showed me the
enclosed copy of G. O., 20th November 1877
H. A. No. 2824, and stated that he would
have to turn out some (10 or 15) Coolies
from the Relief Camp at this place.
I have therefore the honor to request
your orders as to whether I may re-
commence the work (relaying metals
and gravel) from the third mile of
Road N^o 4 (Madurai to Tirumangalam)
putting on Sub Overseers Chokkalingam
Pillai, instead of entrusting the work

Enclosed in message
to the District Engineer
to the Chief Engineer
Madurai 3rd Decr/77.

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To Contractors Many thanks, to receive
any Coolies who will be able to pro-
duce a Nominal Roll from the relief-
Camps signed by the Tasildhar or other
civil official entrusted to do so by the
Special Assistant Collector

I have &c

(Signed) W. M. Montserrat

Agent Ceylon

Ceylon Colon Sub Div.

(True copy)

W. Livingston

District Engineer

Madras.

Enclosures in a letter from
District Engineer Madras
to the Chief Engineer
Madras No. 208 of 4th Dec

Copy of Mr. Montemonte's
letter

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No. 2267.

From,

The District Engineer,
Madras.

To,

The Assistant Engineer,
Perculum Sub Division,

Sir,

- Your No. 670 dated 3rd Inst. is approved - care should be taken that the coolies are limited to those sent by the civil authorities with duplicate nominal Rolls, as laid down in paras. 5 & 29 of G.O. No. 2847 of the 24th September last.
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I have &c

Signed W. S. Harrington,
District Engineer.

1 True Copy

W. S. Harrington
District Engineer,
Madras.

District Engineer's Office
Madras 2nd December 1877.
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Enclosure in a letter from
the District Engineer Madras
to the Chief Engineer. J. P. W.
Madras No 238 of 4th Decr 1877.

Copy of District Engineer's
Letter No 2267 of 3rd Decr 1877.

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District Engineer's Office.
Madras 24 November 1877.

No. 216.

Forwards,

W. S. Harrington Esqre
District Engineer, Madras.

To.

Colonel. R. A. Hoord. R.E.
Chief Engineer. P. W. D.
Madras.

Sir,

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to my letter no. 135 dated 7th September last
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necessary enquiries on Tuesday next. Of course I cannot but feel that numbers of people who should have gone to work in the fields may have been drawn to the lighter labor and the larger profits of the road work.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedt servt

W. Harrington
District Engineer,
Madura

No 216

From

The District Engineer
Madura

To

The Chief Engineer
D.M.

Date of 21st November 1877
Received

Road from Madura
to Tirunelveli -
returning upon the

No 183

Sub
J. 1579

Forwarded to Col Ford with the
annexed papers and the
note by his leave the Governor
as therein directed.

El.
12.12.77.

No. 238

From

W. S. Harrington Esq.,
District Engineer, Madura.

To

Colonel G. A. Ford, P.O.
Chief Engineer, P. W. Dept.
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward copy of
the Progress Report of Relief works under
the Executive Engineer District Division
for the week ending 24th ultimo - Mr. Paynter
in his No. 2588 dated 28th Idem reports that
his subordinates are acting strictly up to
the rules laid down in paras 5 and 29 of
G.O. No. 2847 of the 24th September last.
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and of my reply thereto regarding Road
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my No. 216 dated 24th ultimo is still under
inquiry the work has been taken from
him as he has disobeyed orders - the amount
due to him will be settled and reported.

upon hereafter.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt. servt.

W. Harrington

District Surgeon,
Madras.

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Col Ford SD
 This - with regard to the
 Subordinate - I have
 of instructions - the
 men for orders.

Revenue 1877 ^{No 238} ~~Depart~~
 From ~~No~~ 11519.
 The District Engineer
 Madras

Bring to great number
 seen on the part of the
 subordinates in charge
 of the repairs of the
 road from Madras
 to Chinnai some
 6000 Rs. apparently have
 been spent on people
 who are not in need
 of relief at all
 12/2/77 J.S.

To
 The Chief Engineer
 D. J. W.
 Madras.

Dated 4th } December 1877
 Recd
 No 4
 Enclosure 5

Progress report of Relief
 Works - forwarding the

No 4337
 Transferred to
 the Revenue / Finance
 Department.

W. H. M. J. J. J.

By: Ch. J. J. J.
 6: Dec 77

No 1830
 This was only the natural
 consequence that might
 have been expected from
 permitting the D.S. to
 employ unskilled or
 Veling workers - I have
 always considered this a
 mistake as it is
 impossible to reconcile the
 interests of contractors with
 the principles on which Govt
 has determined to
 give relief on works
 I would stop all contract
 work in Madras if any is
 still going on or order the D.S.
 to proceed under the rules & save 'hard'
 13/12/77

27-9-77 No 791 W
 28-9-77 801 W
 24-11-77 2847 RD
 20-11-77 2824 RD

7. No 11579.
 13/12/77
 Referred to
 the Chief Eng. with
 reference to the papers
 for his remarks.
 17/12/77 J.S.
 15/12/77
 15/12/77

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and will report the result
 of

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 20th Dec 1777.

Read the following :—

~~Command in the Revenue.~~
 (Farming Department.) } S.E. No 238 4th
 on the R. Madras } No 157 of 1857.

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C. Reefy By: Ch. Mearns

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of his enquiries to the Chief
Engineer

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Govt. of 1877 Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.

To
The D. B. Madras

Dated

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 20 Decr 1877, No 21071

Nos. 183-184

Road from Madras to
Simevelly, Madras - Dr
The employment of Contractors
prohibited, and the D. B. to
state report the persons in
fault for employing people
not in need of relief in the
reparation to the —

Encl. in Regd.

To The District Engr, Madras
" Revenue & Finance Dept

Relief.