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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

27th June 1877, No 313 W.

Buildings and Roads
Account.

Read the following paper —

No. 262 From Captain L CONWAY-GORDON, R E, Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Buildings and Roads, dated Fort St George, 28th May 1877, No 14 B

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of G O, No 1,425, dated 25th April 1877, and in reply to point out that my former letter had reference only to that portion of the expenditure on the East Coast Canal which is being charged to Famine Relief Funds

2. Expenditure on the East Coast Canal is being incurred in three divisions of the Nellore District, viz —

The East Coast Canal division.
The Eskapalli do.
And the Kotapatam do.

In the first of these divisions there are two sections of the canal, one described as "*extension of the East Coast Canal from Dugorajapatam to Kistnapatam*," and the other as the "*extension of the East Coast Canal from Kistnapatam to Pennar*" The former of these sections has a sanctioned estimate of Rupees 2,87,000, and the latter one amounting to Rupees 2,74,000.

3. The expenditure in the East Coast Canal division had from the first been charged to Provincial Funds and is still so charged, and the whole expenditure during the year 1876-77 in this division on these two sections of the canal, which has been thus charged to Provincial, is Rupees 1,72,540 against a grant of Rupees 1,50,000, or Rupees 22,540 in excess of the grant

4. The expenditure in the Eskapalli and Kotapatam divisions on the other hand has under the authority of G O, No 3,103, dated 20th November 1876, been charged to Famine Relief Funds, and in these divisions the expenditure from Imperial Funds during the year 1876-77 has been Rupees 1,47,189.

5. So far therefore from there being any Provincial Funds available to meet the expenditure from Famine Funds on the East Coast Canal, the fact is that as shown above the appropriation from Provincial Funds during the year 1876-77 have not sufficed to cover the expenditure which has necessarily been charged directly to Provincial during that year.

6. The grant from Provincial Funds for the East Coast Canal during the current year is Rupees 1,50,000, and assuming that of the Rupees 1,47,189 spent last year from Famine Relief Funds, 75 per cent is represented by actual work done, or in other words, that about Rupees 36,797 is to be finally debited to Imperial and Rupees 1,10,392 to Provincial, there will be left only Rupees 39,608 to cover the expenditure on the East Coast Canal for the whole year 1877-78.

7. The average monthly expenditure in the East Coast Canal division is Rupees 14,378 debitable to Provincial, and that in the other two divisions Rupees 29,438, of which about Rupees 22,079 are on the same assumption as before debitable to Provincial Funds. The total average monthly expenditure on the East Coast Canal chargeable to Provincial is thus Rupees 36,457.

8. From this it follows that the appropriation for expenditure on the East Coast Canal during the year 1877-78 is practically already exceeded. I must earnestly ask the Government to consider attentively the facts I have here advanced, and either to stop expenditure on the works, or to reappropriate funds to meet all the expenditure on the construction of this canal that may reasonably be anticipated to fall on Provincial Funds during the current year.

No. 263.

ORDER THEREON, 27th June 1877, No. 313 W.

In this letter the Examiner has drawn attention to the fact that the expenditure on the East Coast Canal is already in excess of amount set aside for the purpose in Budgets of 1876-77 and 1877-78.

2. The intention of Government before the famine was to apply 1½ lakhs annually to this important work, but it is now taken up under G O No 3,060, dated 15th November 1876 as a Famine Relief Work, and being so carried on from Famine Funds it cannot be stopped simply because the Budget appropriation under Provincial has been exceeded. His Grace the Governor in Council is of opinion that the work must be carried on from Famine Funds, and that the proportion of the charge to be eventually debited to Provincial must remain a matter for settlement in conference with the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts
District Engineer, Nellore
Revenue Department, (Famine)

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From the Examiner of P.W.

Accounts

(H. E. N. 14 B. dated 28th May/77)FOR ORDERS

E. A. Ford, Colonel R.E.

Secretary to Govt P.W.D.

Capt James Gordon is

submitting himself for

immunity. The work is now being carried on as a Famine Relief work.

Funds are provided for the purpose and provided from Imperial. If any transfer is

provision from the
of the provision being accorded
rule. he had better say
that he requires.

The Govt Budget
provision for the work
last year & this year
can be used he
wished it.

Whether Govt is the
directly & centrally
to the whole change
will be a matter for
settlement in complete
to the Govt.

On Sept 19th principle
Imperial funds is
distinguished from Govt
& Local. Govt has
no portion of the

P. H. D.
Proceedings of the Board of East
Under date the
Read the following:

From

The Examiners of } (H.C. No 14 B of 28 May 1917)
P. H. Accounts }

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Relief Work and

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budget appropriation

under Provincial

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The proportion of
the charge which will
be eventually debited
to Provincial is a
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in conference with the
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EO 74/6/77

Examiner P. H. Aitch
D. C. Bellare -

4627 June 77 No 3137

Vide 30.5.77

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S. H. W.
5.6.77

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that in addition to
along on the East Coast Canal
Sikapalle & Kitapattam
which is being charged
under Relief Funds, there
has been all along
East Coast Canal Division
is being charged to Provincial
the Budget grant.

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SECRETARY.

Madras,

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OFFICE NOTE

To

C.

Funds as needed for
this purpose are provided from
Imperial, and if any transfer
is necessary to allow of the
provision being made accor-
ding to rule, I'll say what
you require.

The Provincial Budget
provision for the work last
year and this year can of
course be credited to Imperial
at once!

Александр

normal rate is finally
 ascertained, and it is
 entrusted ^{to you} to the Civil
 Dept. for famine Relief
 Charges. I fear
 you'll have to expound the
 whole of the 1st letter
 before you get anything
 out of Imperial. - but
 I fancy at the same
 time the talk will
 not be long.

James
H. Pratt

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SECRETARY.

Madras,

May 31.

1877

OFFICE NOTE.

My dear Sir,

Examiner considers
South Coast Canal being
worked under the Prov.
Grant of 1.50,000 for 77
78. This is the ordinary
Grant. I understand
it is a famine relief
work paid for from
Imperial Funds
at present, the Prov.
Funds being with them
absolutely exhausted.
Am. I right -

Yours faithfully
W. H. M. S. S.

My dear Faneville

See S. N. L. J. O.

N^o 66. W. of May 15th.

The Comptroller Genl. says
down for see that funds
obtained from the Exchequer
by letters of credit & expended
must be held as P. W. Dept.
item & not as a loan

Famine Relief Fund
& the result is that
P. W. operations across
the country will have
to be stopped. "S. is
absurd". (S. J.)

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6/27 June/77 S. B. N. 23134

FOR ORDERS

FROM L. CO. JAY-GORDON,

EXAMINER, P. V. ACCOUNTS.

TO THE JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

BUILDINGS & ROADS BRANCH.

NO. 14. B.

FORT ST. GEORGE, 28TH. MAY 1877.

SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF G.O. NO. I, 425, DATED 25TH. APRIL 1877, AND IN REPLY TO POINT OUT THAT MY FORMER LETTER HAD REFERENCE ONLY TO THAT PORTION OF THE EXPENDITURE ON THE EAST COAST CANAL, WHICH IS BEING CHARGED TO FAVINE RELIEF FUNDS.

2. EXPENDITURE ON THE EAST COAST CANAL IS BEING INCURRED IN THREE DIVISIONS OF THE NELLORE DISTRICT, VIZ.

THE EAST COAST CANAL DIVISION.

THE ESKAPALLI DO.

AND THE MOTAPATAM DO.

IN THE FIRST OF THESE DIVISIONS THERE ARE TWO SECTIONS OF THE CANAL, ONE DESCRIBED AS 'EXTENSION OF THE EAST COAST CANAL FROM DUGAPATAPATAM TO KISTINAPATAM,' AND THE OTHER AS THE 'EXTENSION OF THE EAST COAST CANAL FROM KISTINAPATAM TO PENNAIR.' THE FORMER OF THESE SECTIONS HAS A SANCTIONED ESTIMATE OF RS. 2,57,000 AND THE LATTER ONE AMOUNTING TO RS. 2,74,000.

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3. THE EXPENDITURE IN THE EAST COAST CANAL DIVISION HAD FROM THE FIRST BEEN CHARGED TO PROVINCIAL FUNDS, AND IS STILL SO CHARGED, AND THE WHOLE EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1876-77 IN THIS DIVISION ON THESE TWO SECTIONS OF THE CANAL WHICH HAS BEEN THUS CHARGED TO PROVINCIAL IS RS.1,72,540 AGAINST A GRANT OF RS.1,50,000 OR RS.22,540 IN EXCESS OF THE GRANT.

4. THE EXPENDITURE IN THE ESKAPALLI AND KOTAPATTAM DIVISIONS ON THE OTHER HAND, HAS UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF G.O.NO. 3,103, DATED 20TH.NOVEMBER 1876, BEEN CHARGED TO FAMINE RELIEF FUNDS, AND IN THESE DIVISIONS, THE EXPENDITURE FROM IMPERIAL FUNDS DURING THE YEAR 1876-77 HAS BEEN RS.1,47,189.

5. SO FAR THEREFORE FROM THERE BEING ANY PROVINCIAL FUNDS AVAILABLE TO MEET THE EXPENDITURE FROM FAMINE FUNDS ON THE EAST COAST CANAL, THE FACT IS THAT AS SHEWN ABOVE, THE APPROPRIATION FROM PROVINCIAL FUNDS DURING THE YEAR 1876-77 HAVE NOT SUFFICED TO COVER THE EXPENDITURE WHICH HAS NECESSARILY BEEN CHARGED DIRECTLY TO PROVINCIAL DURING THAT YEAR.

6. THE GRANT FROM PROVINCIAL FUNDS FOR THE EAST COAST CANAL DURING THE CURRENT YEAR IS RS.1,50,000, AND ASSUMING THAT OF THE RS.1,47,189 SPENT LAST YEAR FROM FAMINE RELIEF FUNDS, 75 PER CENT IS REPRESENTED BY ACTUAL WORK DONE, OR IN OTHER WORDS, THAT ABOUT RS.36,797 IS TO BE FINALLY DEBITED TO IMPERIAL AND RS.1,10,392 TO PROVINCIAL, THERE WILL BE LEFT ONLY RS.39,608 TO COVER THE EXPENDITURE ON THE EAST COAST CANAL FOR THE WHOLE YEAR 1877-78.

7. THE AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENDITURE IN THE EAST COAST CANAL DIVISION IS RS.14,378 DEBITABLE TO PROVINCIAL AND THAT

IN THE OTHER TWO DIVISIONS RS.29,438 OF WHICH ABOUT RS. 22,079 ARE ON THE SAME ASSUMPTION ^{as before} DEBITABLE TO PROVINCIAL FUNDS. THE TOTAL AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENDITURE ON THE EAST COAST CANAL CHARGEABLE TO PROVINCIAL IS THUS RS.36,457.

8. FROM THIS IT FOLLOWS THAT THE APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENDITURE ON THE EAST COAST CANAL DURING THE YEAR 1877-78 IS PRACTICALLY ALREADY EXCEEDED. I MUST EARNESTLY ASK THE GOVERNMENT TO CONSIDER ATTENTIVELY THE FACTS I HAVE HERE ADVANCED, AND EITHER TO STOP EXPENDITURE ON THE WORKS, OR TO REAPPROPRIATE FUNDS TO MEET ALL THE EXPENDITURE ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS CANAL THAT MAY REASONABLY BE ANTICIPATED TO FALL ON PROVINCIAL FUNDS DURING THE CURRENT YEAR.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEDIENT SERVANT,

Lowrey-Jordan

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

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FROM THE EXAMINER,

P. W. ACCOUNTS.

TO THE JOINT SECY. TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

BUILDINGS & ROADS.

No. 14 B.

DATED 28TH. MAY 1877.

RECD.

PASSING CERTAIN REMARKS RE-
GARDING THE EXPENDITURE ON THE EAST
COAST CANAL WHICH IS BEING CHARGED
TO FAMINE RELIEF WORKS.

L.C. 27 June 77 No. 262

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No 313 W
Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 27 June 77
Read the following.

From,
The Examiner of
(P. W. Accounts) } L.C. No 14 B. dt 23 June 77

In this letter the
Examiner has drawn
attention to the fact
that the expenditure
on the East Coast Canal
is already in excess of
amount set aside for
the purpose in Budgets
of 1876-77 and 1877-78.

The intention of Govt
before the famine was
to apply 1 1/2 lakhs annually
to this important work.
but it is now taken
up under L.C. No 306
dated 15 Nov 1876 as a

famine relief work
and being carried
on from famine funds.
it cannot be started
simply because the
budget appropriated
under Provincial has
been exceeded.

His Grace the Governor
in Council is of opinion
that the work must
be carried on from
famine funds and that
the proportion of the
charges to be eventually
debited to Provincial
must remain a matter
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G O, 27th June 1877, No 313 W

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East Coast Canal
Bellary Or ordered to be
carried out from famine
funds and the outlay
admitted heretofore.

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