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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	368	Press Mis-
Dated	7-7	1877

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

7th July 1877, No. 368 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following papers.—

No 80. Endorsement of the Under Secretary to Government in the Financial Department, dated Fort St. George, 20th June 1877, No. 1,290.

From L. C. PROBYN, Esq., Accountant-General, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 19th June 1877, No. 317.

With reference to G O, Financial Department, No 2,200, dated 5th December 1876, I have the honor to report that the expenditure on the Madras Harbour Works up to February 1877 is Rs 8,91,855, while Rs. 5,19,704 has been estimated by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, to be the probable expenditure for March 1877, so that the expenditure is more than 9 lakhs in excess of the 5 lakhs sanctioned by the Government of India in their Financial Order, No. 1,716, of 25th June 1875, I beg therefore to request that the Government of India may be moved by telegram to issue telegraphic instructions for my guidance on the subject, as under the orders of the Government of India, No 1,291, of 30th June 1876, no advances should be made without their sanction.

2 I regret that through an error (for which I am not personally responsible) funds have been placed by this office at the disposal of the Public Works Department to meet the expenditure above adverted to under the authority of G O, No 2,200, dated 5th December 1876. On receipt of these instructions it should have been pointed out to His Grace in Council that they were contrary to the orders of the Government of India above referred to, and renewed orders on the subject should have been solicited.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department.

(By order,)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Under Secretary.

No 81. ORDER THEREON, 7th July 1877, No 368 W.

THE Government of India will be addressed on the subject. Pending a reply to the application for additional advances the Accountant-General will be instructed in the Financial Department to continue to provide funds in this year to the extent of the year's Budget provision, viz, Rs. 10,49,040.

(Here enter No. 369 W, dated 7th July 1877)

(True Extract)

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

To the Accountant-General
" Financial Department
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works

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Public Works Dept.

Official Memorandum.

With reference to the
Memorandum from the Secretary to
Government, Public Works Department,
the undersigned has the honor to forward
the following papers on the subject of
the Madras Port Trust Bill and the
proposed Madras Harbour.

1. Port Trust Bill with Statement
of Objects and Reasons.
2. Papers N 1 containing L. O. 23rd March
1874, N 10 relating to the Bill
3. Papers N 2 containing L. O. 25th June
1874, N 27 relating to the Bill.
4. L. O. 25th June 1875, N 34 on the
subject of the Madras Harbour.

For Lt. Genl.
27th June 1877.

(By order)

Wm. Scherlich.

Asst. Secy to Govt.

To,
The Secretary to Govt.

Public Works Dept.

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P.W.D.
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Legislative Department

Dated 27th June 1877

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Very urgent
Reck DEPARTMENT
No 317

Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office

19th June 1877

FROM THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

TO THE Chief Secretary
to Government

SIR,

With reference to G.O. Financial Department No. 2200 dated 5th December 1876 I have the honor to report that the expenditure on the Madras Harbour works up to February 1877 is Rs. 580,185.55 while Rs. 519,704 has been estimated by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts to be the probable expenditure for March 1877. It is to be noted that the expenditure is more than of late in excess of the limit sanctioned by the Government of India in their Financial Order No. 1776 of 26 June 1876. They therefore request that the Government of India may be moved by telegram to issue telegraphic instructions for any further on the subject as under the orders of the Government of India No. 1291 of 30 June 1876 in arrears should be made without their sanction.

2 I regret that through an error of practice I am not personally responsible funds have

been placed by this office at the disposal
of the Public Works Department to meet
the expenditure above adverted to under
the authority of G.O. No 2200 dated 5th November
1876. On receipt of these instructions it should
have been pointed out to the General Council
that they were contrary to the Orders of the
Government of India above referred to, and
reversed orders on the subject it should have
been collected.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most obed^t & devoted

W. P. P. P.
Accountant General

Compd. Secy

{ 20 June 1852.
(Lancaster)

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19 July 1977, 8:30 AM

No.

DEMI OFFICIAL.

Accountant General's Office.

20/6/94 Madras, June 20th 1877.

My dear Li

Nancy the harbour.

works" are in your department. I was horrified to find yesterday that the expenditure has been going on without any sanction from the Government of India, and that my department has so far connived in this irregularity, that it has been advancing the funds to the M.D., and has been accepting the debts.

under a Govt order of December
1876.

I drafted an official letter inquiring
asking Govt to telegraph to
the Govt of India to instruct me
whether I was to go on paying
money, and I wrote this saying
that I am going to tell the Exami-
ner to day that I can accept no
further debits on this account, and
that I will not comply with his request
for cash for the purpose, unless
I receive special orders of this Govt
in Council to act in this matter inhar-
mony to the rules laid down for my guidance.

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which prevent me from advancing
funds for works which are not
to be met out of the Budget assign-
ment.

As the matter is very urgent
I have troubled you with this &c.
You may perhaps wish to take
the Director's instructions as given
to my office.

I may add that my attention
was directed to the matter by
a telegram from Simla sug-
gesting how the charges had
appeared in my accounts.

Yours faithfully.

W. P. P. P.

GOVT.
OF MADRAS }

1877.

{ P.W.
DEPT. }

SECRETARY.

Madras, June 26th 1877.

OFFICE NOTE.

To C. - Very urgent for Council

What are the items
constituting the charge
of more than 5 lakhs
against the Harbour
works for March
last -

Wk
26. 6. 77

To B. M. 28/6

The outlay on the Madras Harbour
works to end of March 1877 is as follows

Works	54,3401 - 8 - 4
Establishment	75,465 - 0 - 4
Tools and Plant	3,11,818 - 15 - 9
Expenditure on England including gain by exchange for 1876 77	4,85,839 - 5 - 8
Surplus balance	118 - 1 - 8
<u>Total</u>	<u>14,16,662 - 15 - 9</u>

The outlay is thus in excess of
the grant of Rs 5,00,000 by Rs 9,16,662.15.9

Wk
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No 1756 of 26 June 1877.

Endorsement in the Financial
Department No 1290, dated 20 June 1877,
transferring letter from the Accountant
General regarding expenditure on Madras
Harbour works.

The undersigned has the honor to
request that the Chief Secretary will
be good enough to supply for the informa-
tion of the members of Government
such papers as may be on record
either in the Legislative or other
Department regarding the Port
Trust Bill for the Madras Harbour.

By Order

R. A. Forrofaller.

Secy to Govt.

P. H. D.

To the Chief Secy to Govt.

Endorsement of the Financial Department

No. 1290 dated 20th June 1877 in letter from the
Accountant General No. 317 dated 19th June 1877
Legislative Dept. Memo. No. 52 of 27 June 1877

FOR ORDERS

In their orders re-
corded with G.O. No. 2285 dated
7th August 1875, the Govern-
ment of India sanctioned
an advance of 5 lakhs of
Rupees for necessary pre-
liminary operations con-
nected with the Harbour
Works pending the grant of
a loan. The grant of this
loan is dependent on the
passing of a Port Trust
Bill, which it is understood,
has already been sent up
to the Supreme Legislative

I don't think any sketch Bill has
been sent to G.O. but they are sure
when I draw, I have seen.

Get the papers from the Legis.
I think in any G.O. about
like this must be referred
to the Legis.

Council.

The advance sanctioned by the Government of India, having been worked out the Examiner was authorized in G.O. No. 2581 dated 27th Sept. 1876 to issue such additional credits to the Superintendent of the works as were needed pending an additional assignment of funds. These proceedings were forwarded for the confirmation of the Government of India on the same day with docket No. 2582. To this no reply has been returned.

The orders in the Public Works Department were subsequently confirmed by the Financial Department. Vide orders in that Department No. 2200 dated 5th December 1876.

In order that there should be sufficient funds to admit of the immediate progress of the work during the current year, a separate budget estimate was prepared in the Public Works Department in which provision to the extent of a little under 10½ lakhs of Rupees was made. This budget was duly laid before the Government of India with Colonel Sarnold's letter N^o 637 dated 24th February 1877. To this also, no reply has been received.

It is suggested that orders be issued to the Accountant General from the Financial Department instructing that Officer to admit credits to the extent of the Budget

Yes. Lull the S. must
 be addressed. I
 question the truth of
 it. is a sign of S. violence
 in the S. S. but the
 ologist can tell us
 to the harbor is
 complete. I think
 S. violence.

I concur M

provision of the current
year pending definite orders
from the Government of
India.

E A Ford Col. R.E.
Secy to Govt. P.W.D.

to continue

instruction this the Fin.
S. & provide funds in
the year & the extent of
the years budget provision
E.S. who addressed
at once. showing how
the expenditure incurred
already is distributed
between Home & Indian
charges. L.H.

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FOR ORDERS.

Recirculated with
papers called for by
the members of Govern-
ment.

E A Ford Col. R.E.
Secy to Govt. P.W.D.
28-6-77

The papers show that the
case is as strong as
the Govt. have been asked to
advance this for the
loss & allow of a higher
rate of port dues being
levied at the above when
the Harbour is finished
& value given for the
port. and the
Assembly will be most
ask the Govt. to continue
the advance of funds
funding this up to
the Govt. for the

No 368 B. Buildings, Works & Civil Works
Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 7th July 1877.
Read the following:—

Endorsement of the Public Works Department No 1290, dated 30th
June 1877 on letter from the Accountant General
No 317 dated 19th June 1877.
Legislative Department Memo. No 54, dated 27th June 1877.

The Government of
India will be addressed
on the subject. Pending
a reply to the application
for additional advances
the Accountant General
will be instructed in
the Financial Department
to continue to provide
funds in this year to
the extent of the year's
budget provision, viz
Rs 10,49,040.

The Accountant Genl. ✓
Public Works Department ✓
Exec. P. W. Dept. ✓
Supt. Madras Harbour & Dock ✓
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No 369 R 77 July 1877
The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
P. O. D.

Sir,
I am directed to forward
for the information of the
Govt. of India the accom-
panying letter from the
Accountant General,
Madras, in which that
Officer points out that
as the advance of 5 Lakhs
of Rupees which the
Govt. of India have
sanctioned for the Madras
Harbour Works has been
exceeded it is necessary
that supplementary
credits should be obtained.
The total outlay on the
Harbour Works to the
end of March 1877 was
Rs

Rs 14,16,662-15-9 divided
as follows.

	Rs. as at
Works	5,341-8-4
Establishment	75,466-0-4
Tools and Plant	3,118-15-9
Expenditure in England including gain by exchange for 1876/77	4,85,859-5-8
Suspense balances	118-1-8

Total Rs 14,16,662-15-9

and the estimated ex-
penditure in India during
the current year is Rs
10,49,040. The Govt. of
India were applied to
for a supplementary grant
in September 1876. vide
docket No 2582 dated
27 September 1876. and
in February of the
present year a formal
budget estimate of the

probable outlay on the
works was submitted.

Side letter 637 of 24.
Feb 1877

To neither of these appeals
for funds has any reply
been returned. I am now
to bring the matter to the
special notice of the
Govt of India and to
request that such orders
may be issued to the
Accountant General
at Madras as, while re-
lieving that officer
from the embarrassing
position in which he
feels himself placed
by having to admit
expenditure in the absence
of sanctioned budget
appropriation, shall
enable the Govt to pro-
secute the works in
the

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the full assurance
that their progress
shall not be impeded
by technical financial
restrictions.

In sanctioning the
sum of 5 lakhs of
Rupees as a preliminary
advance for the com-
mencement of the works
the Govt of India stipu-
lated that due arrange-
ments should be
made by the Govt of
Madras for the creation
of a Port Land and
for raising a revenue
sufficient for payment
of interest at 4 per
cent per annum on

on

an eventual loan of
£ 628,000. A reference
to the correspondence
quoted in the margin
will show the action
taken by this Govt.

*Letter No. 34 dated 25 June 1870.
Local Legislative Department
and the connected papers.

It will be perceived
from these papers that
the desired legislation
requisite to admit of
enhanced Post dues being
levied at Madras, can
be effected by the Governor
General's Council only.
Pending such legislation,
and the completion
of the Harbour itself,
the Madras Govt. are
precluded from raising
by enhanced post dues,
the

the funds required to
defray interest on the
loan and the working
expenses. Under these
circumstances I am to
request that the ad-
-vance of funds may
be continued by the Govt.
of India.

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Govt. of 1877 Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.



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9/7/77

G. O. 7 July 1877, No 368939W

Nos. 80-81

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Madras Harbour Works
issuing orders on letter
the Acct Genl Madras
concerning the provision
of funds to meet & expend.

on the

Requesting the
entertainment of advance
funds to admit of the
expedited prosecution

Madras Harbour

18-7-77