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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

1st October 1877, No. 818 W.

General.

Establishment.

Read the following paper :—

No. 16. From J. O'SHAUGHNESSY, Esq., District Engineer, Nellore, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Nellore, 19th September 1877, No. 2,148.

In reference to G.O., dated 21st August 1877, No. 621, I have the honor to recommend that G.O., No. 3,909, dated the 15th December 1868, be modified and that the authority given to Superintending Engineers in Chapter III, II, 30 of the Government of India Code be granted to District Engineers even as a temporary measure for the present.

Without some such authority there will, in the present emergency, be much individual hardship and loss to the service. For instance, many of the Non-commissioned Officers of Royal Engineers posted to this district having spent on the journey here the advance they had received at starting come to me and say they have not an anna to take them farther or to support themselves and their families until they are entitled to and receive some salary. It would take many days, and it might take weeks, before I could receive authority from Government to issue the advance required, and in the meantime the man and his family would be starving and his services for the time would be lost.

Again, in the case of one of the officers recently transferred from Bengal, he had to pay over Rupees 1,000 out of his own pocket to defray the expenses of his journey; he had no money left to carry on with on his arrival at the works, and he wanted money for himself, his servants, and the up-keep of his horse and travelling establishment. In this case there is a direct claim for an advance, because the officer had paid away his own money on account of Government.

I had quite forgotten the existence of the order, dated the 15th December 1868, and I have in cases similar to those I have described authorized the issue of moderate advances. I request that Government will be pleased to sanction those advances and authorize District Engineers of Famine districts to issue such advances hereafter, so long at least as the famine lasts.

I venture to say that Government may entrust District Engineers with this authority similar to the authority given to the same class of officers in the Government of India. The advances are generally of comparatively small amounts, and there are no advances so easily and so surely recovered.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 1st October 1877, No. 818 W.

UNDER present circumstances, His Grace the Governor in Council is pleased to permit a relaxation of the rules regarding advances, so far as to allow of an advance of not more than two months' pay being made by District Engineers to subordinates specially appointed for duty on Famine Relief Works, the advance being recovered in six equal monthly instalments.

2. These orders will apply to advances already made by District Engineers in anticipation of the sanction of Government.

(True Extract.)

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

NELLORE,

District Engineer's Office,

19 September 1877

From

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER OF NELLORE,

To

*The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Fort St. George*

Sir,

In reference to G.O. dated 21st August 1877 No. 621 I have the honor to recommend that G.O. 3909 dated the 15th December 1868 be modified and that the authority given to Superintending Engineers in Chap III II 30 of the Government of India Code be granted to District Engineers even as a temporary measure for the present.

Without some such authority there will, in the present emergency, be much individual hardship and loss to the Service. For instance many of the non-commissioned officers of R.E. posted to this District having spent on the journey here the advance they had received at starting come to me and say they have not an anna to take them.

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Again in the case of one of the Officers recently transferred from Bengal he had to pay over 1000 Rs out of his own pocket to defray the expenses of his journey. He had no money left to carry on with on his arrival at the works and he wanted money for himself, his servants and the upkeep of his horse and travelling establishment.

In this case there is a direct claim for an advance, because the Officer had paid away his own money on account of Government.

I had quite forgotten the existence of the order dated the 15th December 1868, and I have in cases similar to those

I have described authorized the issue of moderate advances. I request that Government will be pleased to sanction these advances and authorize District Engineers of Famine Districts to issue such advances hereafter so long at least as the famine lasts.

I venture to say that Government may entrust District Engineers with this authority similar to the authority given to the same class of Officers in the Government of India. The advances are generally of comparatively small amounts, and there are no advances so easily and so surely recovered.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

W. H. S. P.
District Engineer

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General

From

The District Engineer
Vellore

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Deptt
Madras

N^o 2148

Dated 19th September 1877

Recd 20th September 1877

Received

Requests to modify G.O.

No 621 dated the 21st August
regarding advances.

At 10th Oct 1877. W.D.

At 28. 9. 77 21. 9. 77

At 25-9-77

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter from the District Engineer, Vellore,
N^o 2148 dated 19th September 1877.

FOR ORDERS.

Relaxation of rules
may perhaps be allowed in the
case of Officers and Subordinates
newly posted to distressed Districts.
Officers who have reported arrival
at Madras have received
an advance if necessary through
the Examiner of Public Works
Accounts. An officer whose travel-
ling expenses exceeded Rs. 1000
received an advance which fully
covered the amount before he left
Madras.

H. Col. Co.

25/9

At 28. 9. 77 21. 9. 77
Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

FOR ORDERS.

Genl
Estab
No 818 Lr.

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 1st Dec^r 1877.

Read the following :—

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Mellore. } (A.B. No 2148 dt 19th Sept 1877)

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District Engineers to Subor-
dinates specially appointed
for duty on Famine Relief
works - the advance being
recovered in six equal months
by instalments

These orders will apply

To District Engineers 139 to advances already made
The Examiner P.W. Accounts by District Engineers in
J.W. Runnall Esq. &
Dec 23-10-77 17 anticipation of the sanction
of
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Mr. Sney.

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Advances of no more than
salary to Subordinates
specially appointed for
duty on Famine Relief work
authorized to be made by
District Engineers and reviewed
by six equal monthly instal-
ments

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