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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

10th March 1878, No. 1,231 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 129. From Major L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, General Branch, dated Chepauk, 26th February 1878, No. 209 W.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of G.O., No. 220 W, dated 14th January 1878, communicating G.O. in the Financial Department, No. 17, dated 4th January 1878, and with reference to the remarks passed by Government in this latter order I have the honor to respectfully point out that the facts of this case are as follow.

2. This office was through out aware that all future expenditure by the Public Works Department in connection with the residence of His Highness the Prince of Arrot had to be met from the Public Works Grant under Provincial. In G.O., Public Works Department, No. 589, dated 22nd February 1877, this decision was accepted by the Public Works Department, which at the same time stated its inability to provide funds to cover the outlay.

3. With reference to this statement this office in letter, No. 448 W, dated 24th March 1877, pointed out that there was a provision of Rupees 31,600 already entered in the Provincial Budget (Item No. 64) from which this expenditure could be met.

4. In G.O., No. 1,035, dated 31st March 1877, Government approved of the expenditure being charged against this item of the budget, i.e., Item No. 64. By a reference to page 3 of the Provincial Budget, it will be seen that this item of Rupees 31,600 is shown amongst the other Special funds under a distinct Special fund entitled "Political". At page 9 the item is also shown in the column "Special". Were the Public Works Budget taken as a guide, there could be no more doubt of the existence of the "Political" Special fund than of the existence of the "Convict labor," "Police lodging," and other Special funds amongst which it is included. A provision of Rupees 7,900 from this ideal fund had even been made for establishment charges.

5. This office, as in ordinary course, simply followed the Public Works Budget furnished by Government to this office for its guidance; the course taken by this office throughout was in accordance with the orders of Government, and throughout met its approval. Any error that may have occurred in connection with the accounts of this work originated, respectfully submit, solely in the budget issued by the Government itself.

No. 131. Chief Engineer, Public Works, dated 10th March 1878, No. 1,231 W.

Examiner.

The Examiner has also supplied the diagram of the works of the 2nd November 1877 and the December 1877, Nos. 1,035 and 1,036, and also the

10th March 1878, No. 1,231 W.

further expenditure on the work to be charged to Provincial, and of the subsequent orders in the Public Works Department, No. 589, dated 22nd February 1877, accepting the excess as a Provincial charge. In the face of these instructions the recommendation made in the letter recorded with G.O. No. 1,035, dated 31st March 1877, was clearly out of order.

(True Estimate.)

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

To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
Financial Department.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

GOVT. OF (1878) INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS.

TO THE EXAMINER OF PUBLIC WORKS
ACCOUNTS.

Dated 26th March 1878.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst.

in relation to the Public Works Accounts.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

General Manager of the Public Works
Department, Government of India.

FROM THE EXAMINER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS,

INDIA.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

20th March 1878.

26th March 1878.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF G.O. NO. 11, DATED 14TH JANUARY 1878 COMMUNICATING G.O. NO. 17, DATED 17TH JANUARY 1878, AND WITH REFERENCE TO THE REMARKS PASSED BY GOVERNMENT IN THIS CASE. I HAVE THE HONOR TO RESPECTFULLY POINT OUT THAT THE FACTS OF THIS CASE ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

THIS OFFICE WAS INFORMED THAT ALL WORKS EXPENDITURE BY THE P.W. DEPARTMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE RESIDENCE OF HIS HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF ARROT HAD TO BE MET FROM THE P.W. GRANT UNDER PROVINCIAL. IN G.O. NO. 17, DATED 17TH JANUARY 1878, THIS DECISION WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE P.W. DEPARTMENT WHICH AT THE SAME TIME STATED ITS UNABILITY TO PROVIDE FUND TO COVER THE OUTLAYS.

WITH REFERENCE TO THIS STATEMENT, THIS OFFICE ON 14TH MARCH 1878 POINTED OUT THAT

HAVE HAD A PROVISION OF £2,000 ALREADY ENTERED IN THE PROVINCIAL BUDGET, ITEM 21, FROM WHICH THIS EXPENDITURE COULD BE MET.

IN G.O. NO. 1080 DATED 31ST MARCH 1977, GOVERNMENT APPROVED THE EXPENDITURE BEING CHARGED AGAINST THIS ITEM OF THE BUDGET, I.E. ITEM 21.00. AT A REFERENCE TO PAGE 6 OF THE PROVINCIAL BUDGET, IT WILL BE SEEN THAT THIS ITEM OF £2,000,000 IS SHOWN AMONGST THE OTHER SPECIAL FUNDS UNDER A DISTINCT SPECIAL FUND ENTITLED 'POLITICAL'. AT PAGE 9, THE ITEM IS ALSO SHOWN IN THE COLUMN 'SPECIAL', WHEN THE P. WIDEGRANT TAKEN AS A GUIDE, THERE COULD BE NO DOUBT OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE 'POLITICAL' SPECIAL FUND THAT OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE 'SPECIAL' FUND, 'SPECIAL BUDGETING' AND OTHER SPECIAL FUNDS AMONGST WHICH IT IS INCLUDED. A PROVISION OF £2,000,000 FROM THIS SPECIAL FUND HAS EVEN BEEN MADE FOR ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES.

THIS OFFICE, AS IN ORDINARY COURSE, SIMPLY FOLLOWED THE P. W. BUDGET FURNISHED BY GOVERNMENT IN THIS OFFICE FOR ITS GUIDANCE. THE COURSE TAKEN BY THIS OFFICE THROUGHOUT WAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDERS OF GOVERNMENT, AND THROUGHOUT HAD ITS APPROVAL. ANY ERROR THAT MAY HAVE OCCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACCOUNTS OF THIS WORK, ORIGINATED, I RESPECTFULLY SUBMIT, SOLELY WITH THE GOVERNMENT ITSELF.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEYIENT SERVANT,

Lowry-Jordan

FROM THE EXAMINER, P.W. DEPARTMENT.

ALIAS.

TO THE SECY. TO GOVT. P.W.D.

GENERAL ORDER.

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DATE: 26 FEBRUARY 1878.

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Asst 20-11-74 Rs 160.
" 19-12-76 " 149.
Asst 22-2-77 " 589.
" 31-3-77 " 1085.
Min 14-1-78 " 220. W.

OFFERING CERTAIN OBSERVATIONS REGARDING THE EXPENDITURE BY D.P.W. IN CONNECTION WITH THE REST OF H.H. THE PRINCE OF ANGOT.

Ca 5/3/78

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Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 11 Mar 78

Read the following

From the Examiner P.W. Dept (H.E. No 209 W 26 Feb 78)

Recorded.

The Examiner has not satisfactorily explained the receipt of the orders of the 3rd November 1876 and 2nd Decr 1876 Nos 449 and 796 (Financial) ordering further expenditure on the work to be charged to Provincial, and of the subsequent orders in the Public Works Dept. No 589 dated 22nd Feb. 1877 accepting the excess as a Provincial charge. In the face of these instructions the recommendation made in the letter quoted in the G.O. No 1085 dated 31st March 77 was clearly out of order.

Order 14-3-78

By Mr. A. B. - 5
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W. A. J.

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to Mr J. P. Keef
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Remarks

W. H. Keef