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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

23rd August 1878, No 3,369 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following paper —

No 264 From Major L CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, General Branch, dated Chepauk, 19th August 1878, No 238 W.

With reference to G O, No. 2,619 W, of the 24th June last, I have the honor to bring prominently before Government an irregularity that recurs monthly in certain divisions. It is that Executive Officers do not report their cash balances on the 1st of each month.

2 The Divisional Officers whom I am now obliged to report to Government are those of—

- (1) Coimbatore Irrigation,
- (2) Hospetta,
- (3) Vizianagram,
- (4) Walaja, and
- (5) Oosoor

3 Though their cash balance returns have not even yet been received, I have not referred to these officers for any explanation, because I am convinced there can be no explanation that could be in any way satisfactory.

4 Cash balance statements should be based on the actual counting of the cash in the treasure chest, and it is a standing order of the department that this should be done on the 31st of each month.

If it is not done—and it would appear that it has not been done in the instances now brought to the notice of Government—the check over the book balances which are brought out by the monthly accounts is lost, and the door is at once opened to grave irregularities.

5 In mentioning that the usual cause of these delays is the non-submission of their cash balance returns by the Sub-Divisional Officers, I would impress upon Government that it is upon the accounts of these officers—and more particularly in this Presidency where the Sub-Divisional Officers are invariably subordinates, and frequently lower subordinates—that such a check as this can least be dispensed with.

6 The responsibility for the due performance of their subordinates' duties must, however, rest with the officers under whose orders the subordinates are placed, and, that is, the Executive Officers in charge of Divisions.

2 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 23RD AUGUST 1878, No. 3,369 W.

No 265. ORDER THEREON, 23rd August 1878, No 3,369 W.

THE Executive Officers concerned will be called upon for an explanation by their District Engineers.

(True Extract)

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

(True Copy.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy to Govt, P W.D.

To the District Engineer, Coimbatore
" " " Bellary
" " " Vizagapatam.
" " " North Arcot
" " " Salem
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

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GENERAL
ACCOUNT

Govt. of (1878) ~~Madras~~
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
COMMISSIONER
M., S., & Co.

Dated 28th August 1878

For

Recd

G. O. No. 1178 An 30 917

AUGUST.

No. 231-235

Consent of the District Engineer
The District Engineer
to the District Engineer

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS.

MADRAS.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL OFFICE.

CHERAPUZZHUR, 28th AUGUST 1878.

SIR,

WITH REFERENCE TO GOVERNMENT ORDER NO. 2619.W. OF THE
24TH JUNE LAST, I HAVE THE HONOR TO BEING PROMINENTLY
BEFORE GOVERNMENT, AN IRREGULARITY THAT RECURS MONTHLY IN
CERTAIN DIVISIONS. IT IS THAT EXECUTIVE OFFICERS DO NOT
REPORT THEIR CASH BALANCES ON THE 1ST. OF EACH MONTH.

2. THE DIVISIONAL OFFICERS WHOM I AM NOW OBLIGED TO
REPORT TO GOVERNMENT ARE THOSE OF

COMPTONVILLE IRRIGATION.

: 2 : HOSPETTA.
: 3 : VIZIANAGRAM.
: 4 : VALAJA, AND
: 5 : USSUR.

3. THOUGH THEIR CASH BALANCE RETURNS HAVE NOT EVEN
YET BEEN RECEIVED, I HAVE NOT EXPECTED TO THESE OFFICERS
FOR ANY EXPLANATION, BECAUSE I AM CONVICTED THERE CAN BE
NO EXPLANATION THAT COULD BE IN ANY WAY SATISFACTORY.

4. CASH BALANCE STATEMENTS SHOULD BE BASED ON THE
ACTUAL COUNTING OF THE CASH IN THE TREASURY CHEST, AND IF

IS A STANDING ORDER ON THE PART OF THE TREATY THAT THIS SHOULD BE DONE
ON THE FIRST OF EACH MONTH.

I IT IS NOT SO, AND IT WOULD APPEAR THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN
DONE IN THE INSTANCES NOW BROUGHT TO THE NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT.
THE CASE OF THE BOOK PALATIES, WHICH ARE BROUGHT OUT BY THE
GOVERNMENT AT THE END OF THE YEAR, AND THE BOOK IS AT ONCE OPENED TO
THE PUBLIC.

5. I AM SURE THAT AT THE USUAL CAUSE OF THESE DELAYS IS THE
ADMINISTRATION OF THE PALATIES RETURNS BY THE GOVERNMENT
ALSO. I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY THE GOVERNMENT THAT IT IS THE
CASE OF THE PALATIES; AND MORE PARTICULARLY IN THE CASE
OF THE PALATIES, WHERE THE SURVIVORS OF THE PALATIES ARE
AT THE PALATIES, AND WHERE THE PALATIES ARE AT THE PALATIES.
THE PALATIES ARE AT THE PALATIES.

6. I AM SURE THAT THE PALATIES ARE AT THE PALATIES.
THE PALATIES ARE AT THE PALATIES.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBLIGING SERVANT,

Stanway-Jordan

STANLEY, P.M. AC OF IS AND MAJOR R.F.

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FROM THE EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

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

GENERAL BRANCH.

NO. 238/W

DATED 7th AUGUST 1878.

RECD.

REPORTING TO GOVERNMENT
CERTAIN DIVISIONAL OFFICERS WHO DO
NOT REPORT THEIR CASH BALANCES ON
THE 1ST. OF EACH MONTH.

Public Works Department
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT

UNDER date the 23rd Aug/78

Read the following:—

From the Examiner
P.W. Accounts 31st No 238 W 7 19 Aug/78

The Executive
Officers concerned will
be called upon for
an explanation by
their District Engineers.

att 23/8

D.E. Coimbatore ✓
Bellary ✓
Vizagapatnam ✓
North Arcot ✓
Salem ✓
Mr. A. C. ✓

Dated 4-9-78

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Govt. of (1873) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS

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D. L. Rimbahoe

G. O. 23 Aug. 1875, No 33692

Nos. 5, 52, 65

Cash Balances not reported
by Divisional Officers

The Districts to call the
attention of the —
on the 1st of each month.

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