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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

16th October 1878, No. 4,032 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following paper:—

No. 212. From Major L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Buildings and Roads Branch, dated Chepauk, 4th October 1878, No. 18 B.

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith, for the information and orders of Government, two abstracts taken from the Objectionable Item Returns of July last. Abstract No. 1 contains the most noticeable items of objectionable expenditure under the heads of Imperial, Provincial, and Special, and Abstract No. 2 those under the head Local.

2. On the works now reported the objectionable expenditure incurred either without estimate or without appropriation exceeds, in each case, Rupees 5,000.

3. The items under Imperial are remarkable, if only for the length of item during which the irregularity has been allowed to continue. In the case of entries 1 and 3, the irregular expenditure has extended over 12 and 18 months, respectively.

4. The irregularity involved in the expenditure incurred from Provincial funds upon the new Government House at Ootacamund not only without estimate but without the sanction of the Government of India to the prosecution of the work has already been reported to Government in this office No. 120 W, dated 6th July 1878, and on that item it is unnecessary for me to remark further.

5. Under Local the most noticeable irregularity occurs under item 5. You will observe that not only has an excess of Rupees 25,889 now been incurred, but that the objectionable expenditure began in July 1876, more than two years ago, and has gone on unchecked steadily ever since.

6. I should be glad if Government could take some action to prevent the continuance of these oft-recurring irregularities.

STATEMENT of Serious Irregularities in Accounts for July 1878 (Buildings and Roads).

Number.	Division.	Name of Work, &c.	Months' Accounts in which Objectionable Outlay first appeared.	Amount of Estimate or Appropriation.	Outlay during July.	Excess Expenditure to end of Month.	Remarks.
		IMPERIAL.		RS.	RS.	RS.	
1	Mount	Without Estimate. New Barracks at Poona-mallee.	Sept. 1877 ..	..	8	6,721	An estimate has been submitted to the Government of India for sanction—viz. G.O. No. 2,815 W, of 25th May 1878.
2	Nilgiri	Constructing a timber bridge on the Waterloo Stream at Wellington.	April 1878 ..	..	1,490	5,024	An estimate of Rupees 9,400 submitted to Government for sanction. Executive Officer states under date 12th July 1878.
3	Nellore Central.	Making road from Trunk Road near Kavali to Salt Platform.	April 1877 ..	..	1,323	13,500	An estimate of Rupees 28,250 submitted to the District Engineer on the 16th May 1878.

STATEMENT of Serious Irregularities in Accounts for July 1878 (Buildings and Roads)—*contd.*

Number.	Divisions.	Name of Work, &c.	Months' Accounts in which Objectionable Outlay first appeared.	Amount of Estimate or Appropriation.	Outlay during July.	Excess Expenditure to end of Month.	Remarks.
		IMPERIAL— <i>continued.</i>		RS.	RS.	RS.	
4	Nilgiri	Without Appropriation. Constructing a timber bridge on the Waterloo Stream at Wellington.	April 1878 ..	..	1,460	5,024	District Engineer reports, under date the 17th July 1878, that funds have been applied for.
		PROVINCIAL.					
		Excess over Estimate.					
5	..	Government House at Norwood.	June 1877 ..	21,500	2,925	1,94,942	Reported in this office letter No. 120 W, dated 6th July 1878.
		SPECIAL.					
		Without Appropriation.					
6	Architect	Constructing a Senate House at Chepauk.	April 1878 ..	..	2,371	11,102	The Consulting Architect to Government reports, under date the 10th September 1878, that the Accountant-General, Madras, has been addressed to place the amount of Rupees 9,453 appropriated in G.O., No. 2,561 W, dated 27th June 1878 (submitted to the Financial Department for provision of funds). But it appears Rupees 9,453 will be insufficient, and the full amount should be appropriated.

CHEPAUK,
4th October 1878.(Signed) L. CONWAY-GORDON, Major, R.E.,
Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

STATEMENT of Serious Irregularities in Accounts for July 1878 (Local Funds).

Number.	District, Circle, and Division.	Name of Work, &c.	Months' Accounts in which Objectionable Outlay first appeared.	Amount of Estimate or Appropriation.	Outlay during Month.	Excess Expenditure to end of Month.	Remarks.
				RS.	RS.	RS.	
1	Kistna District. Guntur and Mannaripatam Circles. Guntur Division.	Without Estimate. Road from Nannanapet to Vinukonda.	April 1877 ..	..	..	5,929	The Superintending Engineer reports that the estimate is nearly ready for submission by Executive Officer. Last outlay was incurred in the month of March 1878.
2	Do ..	Do. Vinukonda to Cum-bum.	April 1877 ..	..	..	5,972	The Superintending Engineer reports that the work is being estimated for. Last outlay incurred in the month of May 1878.

STATEMENT of Serious Irregularities in Accounts for July 1878 (Local Funds)—*contd.*

Number.	District, Circle, and Division.	Name of Work, &c.	Months' Accounts in which Objectionable Outlay first appeared.	Amount of Estimate or Appropriation.	Outlay during Month.	Excess Expenditure to end of Month.	Remarks.
				RS.	RS.	RS.	
	Kistna District. — <i>contd.</i> Guntur and Mannaripatam Circles. — <i>contd.</i>						
3	Kistna Western Delta Division	Excess over Estimate. Road from Iyarl to Guntur.	May 1877 ..	1,55,516	..	5,337	District Engineer reports that he anticipates a reduction in outlay by the transfer of materials at site. Last outlay incurred in the month of March 1878.
4	Kistna Eastern Delta Division.	Do. Kotaram to Guduvada.	April 1876 ..	7,250	..	5,182	The District Engineer reports that a revised estimate will be sent to the Local Fund Board for sanction shortly. Last outlay incurred in the month of March 1878.
	MADRAS DISTRICT.						
6	Tellicherry Circle. Karambram Division.	Peria Ghat Road to Mysore frontier.	July 1876 ..	2,12,900	1,209	25,899	A revised estimate has been promised for sanction shortly.

(Signed) L. CONWAY-GORDON, Major, R.E.,
Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
CHEPAUK,
4th October 1878.

No. 213. ORDER THEREON, 16th October 1878, No. 4,032 W.

The submission of this supplemental report was not necessary.

2. Orders have been passed regarding items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 in the marginal Government Proceedings. In the case of the last a further application for funds has been made to the Financial Department.

G.O., No. 3,480 W, dated 2nd September 1878.
" " 3,901 W, " 5th October "
" " 3,753 W, " 25th September "

3. The Examiner has been already informed that separate orders will be passed upon the Norwood House estimates. The Government are in communication with the Government of India on the subject.

4. The attention of the Local Fund Boards concerned will be drawn in the Financial Department to the items under the head Local.

(True Extract.)

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

(True Copy.)

Colonel,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Financial Department.Encl T. D. Ryan.
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GENERAL
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1878) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To
The EXAMINER OF PUBLIC WORKS
ACCOUNTS.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October 16th.

Issued

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Encl.

G. O., 16th October 1878, No. 4,092 W.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 212-213.

The abstracts of Objectionable Items over
Rs. 5,000 in Imperial, Provincial, Special,
and Local Accounts of July 1878. - Passing
orders on the same submitted by the Exami-
ner of Public Works Accounts.

FROM THE EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

TO THE JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

BUILDINGS & ROADS BRANCH.

NO. 1813

CHEPAK, 4th OCTOBER 1878.

SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOR TO FORWARD HERewith, FOR THE INFORM-
ATION AND ORDERS OF GOVERNMENT TWO ABSTRACTS TAKEN FROM
THE OBJECTIONABLE ITEM RETURNS OF JULY LAST: - ABSTRACT NO. 1
CONTAINS THE MOST NOTICEABLE ITEMS OF OBJECTIONABLE EX-
PENDITURE UNDER THE HEADS OF IMPERIAL, PROVINCIAL, AND
SPECIAL, AND ABSTRACT NO. 2 THOSE UNDER THE HEAD LOCAL.

2. ON THE WORKS NOW REPORTED, THE OBJECTIONABLE EX-
PENDITURE INCURRED EITHER WITHOUT ESTIMATE OR WITHOUT AP-
PROPRIATION EXCEEDS, IN EACH CASE, RS. 5,000.

3. THE ITEMS UNDER IMPERIAL ARE REMARKABLE, IF ONLY
FOR THE LENGTH OF TIME DURING WHICH THE IRREGULARITY HAS
BEEN ALLOWED TO CONTINUE. IN THE CASE OF ENTRIES 1 & 3
THE IRREGULAR EXPENDITURE HAS EXTENDED OVER 12, AND 18,
MONTHS RESPECTIVELY.

4. THE IRREGULARITY INVOLVED IN THE EXPENDITURE IN-
CURRED FROM PROVINCIAL FUNDS UPON THE NEW GOVERNMENT HOUSE
AT OOTACAMUND, NOT ONLY WITHOUT ESTIMATE, BUT WITHOUT THE

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SANCTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TO THE PROSECUTION OF THE
WORK, HAS ALREADY BEEN REPORTED TO GOVERNMENT IN THIS OFFICE NO.
120.W. DATED 6TH. JULY 1878, AND ON THAT ITEM IT IS UNNECESSARY
FOR ME TO REMARK FURTHER.

5. UNDER LOCAL, THE MOST NOTICEABLE IRREGULARITY OCCURS UNDER
ITEM 5. YOU WILL OBSERVE THAT NOT ONLY HAS AN EXCESS OF RS.
25,889 NOW BEEN INCURRED; BUT THAT THE OBJECTIONABLE EXPENDITURE
BEGAN IN JULY 1876, MORE THAN TWO YEARS AGO; AND HAS GONE ON
UNCHECKED STEADILY EVER SINCE.

6. I SHOULD BE GLAD IF GOVERNMENT COULD TAKE SOME ACTION
TO PREVENT THE CONTINUANCE OF THESE OFT-RECURRING IRREGULARITIES.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEIENT SERVANT,

Henry Jordan
EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS & MAJOR R.E.

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FROM THE EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

TO THE JOINT SECY. TO GOVT. P. W. C.

BLDGS & RES. BRANCH.

NO. 18B.

DATED 4th OCTOBER 1878.

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ENCLOSURES. 2.

FORWARDING FOR THE ORDERS ON
 GOVT. TWO ABSTRACTS OF OBJECTIONABLE
 ITEMS OVER RS. 5,000 IN IMPERIAL,
 PROVINCIAL, SPECIAL, AND LOCAL ACCOUNTS
 OF JULY 1878.

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Statement of serious irregularities in accounts for July 1878. (Buildings and Roads).

No	Divisions	Name of work &c.	Month in which accounts were submitted	Amount	Remarks
1	Account	New Barracks at Coimbatore.	September 1877	8 6721	Account has been submitted to the Government of India for sanction and is not yet sanctioned.
2	Milgiri	Constructing a timber Bridge on the Waterloo stream at Wellington.	April 1878	1400 5024	Estimated at Rs. 4000 submitted to the Government for sanction and is not yet sanctioned.
3	Melmore Central	Abolishing road from Chumka road near Road to Salt flat farm.	April 1877	1320 1306	Estimated at Rs. 2000 submitted to the District Engineer on the 15 th May 1878.
4	Milgiri	Constructing a timber Bridge on the Waterloo stream at Wellington.	April 1878	1400 5024	District Engineer's report submitted to the 17 th July 1878 that funds have been applied for.
5	Milgiri	Government House at Morvor.	June 1877	24500 2925 194942	Reported in this Office letter No. 120 W. dated 6 th July 1878.

No	Divisions	Name of work &c.	Amount in estimate for the year	Amount of estimate for the year	Outlay during July	Excess to be paid in month	Remarks.
1	Architect	Special Without appropriation. Constructing a Senate House at the park - April 1878			2,371	11/02	The Consulting Architect to Government has reported in a date of the 10th September 1878 that the Accountant General in 18 adras has been addressed to place the amount of Rs 9553 appropriated in G. to J. 2,661. vi. dated 27th June 1878 submitted to the financial department for provision of funds. But it appears Rs 9553 will be insufficient and the full amount should be appropriated.

L. Chapak.

4th October 1878.

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Statement of serious irregularities in accounts for July 1878 (Local Funds).

No.	District, Circle and Division.	Name of Work.	Month's account amount outlay incurred in which, etc. of estimate (paid to the contractor) paid during the month of July 1878.	Month's account amount outlay incurred in which, etc. of estimate (paid to the contractor) paid during the month of July 1878.	Remarks.
1.	Albion District Guthrie's Regent's Estate Guthrie's Division.	Provided from Harrowfield to Vichardah.	April 1877.	5929	The day, outlaying Engineer reports that the estimate is already ready for submission to the Committee of Officers. Last outlay was incurred in the month of March 1878.
2.	Do.	Do. Vichardah to Harrow.	April 1877.	5972	The Superintendent Engineer reports that the work is being estimated for. Last outlay incurred in the month of May 1878.
3.	Albion District Guthrie's Regent's Estate Guthrie's Division.	Excavations over Estimates. Road from Lyfey to Guthrie.	May 1877.	5237	Albion Engineer reports that the estimate is already ready for submission to the Committee of Officers. Last outlay incurred in the month of March 1878.

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No 4032a Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 16 Oct/78.

Read the following:—

From
The Examiner P. W. Accounts / A. C. No 18 Bd/14 October 1878.

The submission of
the supplemental report of
the kind now before
Government is not necessary
or desirable.

2. Orders have been
passed regarding items
1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, in the
marginal Government
Proceedings. In the case
of the last a further
application for funds
has been made to the
Financial Department.

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P. O. No 3480 Wd/2 Sept/78

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Mr. H. Hall

been informed on several
occasions that separate
orders will be passed
upon the Navajo
house estimates. In fact in some cases the S.D. or
H. The attention of the
Local Fund Board ^{concerned} will
be drawn in the Financial
Department to the items
under the head Local.

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To
The Ex. P. M. Acct
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G. O., 16th Oct 1878, No. 4032 W.

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Two Abstracts of Objectionable
Items over Rs 5000 in Imperial
Provincial, Special, and Local
Accounts of July 1878.

Passing orders on the
Submitted by the Examiners
P.W. Accounts.

W. S. S. S.

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