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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

17th July 1879, No. 1,881 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following paper:—

No. 93.3 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, 10th July 1879, No. 20 B.

In continuation of my letter No. 48 W., dated 17th May 1879, I have the honor to inform you that up to date out of an expenditure on famine relief works during the year 1878-79 of Rupees 36,87,504, completion certificates to the amount of Rupees 34,68,523 only have yet been received in this office.

2. The books have to be closed on the 15th instant, and it is almost impossible that by that date the whole of the remaining certificates should have been received. I therefore propose, with the approval of Government, to divide off the remaining expenditure between the Public Works Department as normal value and the Civil Department as excess due to famine, in the proportions arrived at from the completion certificates already received. These completion certificates, as may be inferred from the figures given in paragraph 1, represent 94 per cent. of the whole expenditure, and therefore the proportions obtained from them, viz., 75 per cent. for normal value and 25 per cent. for excess due to famine, may reasonably, as fair average results, be applied to the whole.

3. In no other way do I see a hope of completing the famine accounts within a reasonable time. The matter is now so urgent that I beg you will be good enough to send me a reply by wire.

No. 93.4 ORDER THEREON, 17th July 1879, No. 1,881 W.

ORDERED that the following telegram be sent to the Examiner:—

"Your No. 20-B. Proposal is approved."

2. It is not satisfactory that an important question of this kind should only have been brought under notice for the orders of Government three or four days before the date fixed for closing the books.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Revenue Department.
" Financial do.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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GENERAL
ACCOUNT.

Gobt. of (1879) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To
THE EXAMINER OF PUBLIC WORKS
ACCOUNTS

Dated July 17th.

Issued

Recd.

G. O., 17th July 1879, No. 1281, W.

JULY.
Nos 93-94.

Adjustment of Famine Expenditure.
Approved with remarks the proposal of
the Examiner for closing the account by the
15th July 1879.

Original.
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FROM THE EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

TO THE JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

BUILDINGS AND ROADS BRANCH.

NO. 20, M.

CHEPAK, 10TH JULY 1879.

SIR,

IN CONTINUATION OF MY LETTER NO. 48, W. DATED 17TH MAY
1879, I HAVE THE HONOR TO INFORM YOU THAT UP TO DATE OUT OF
AN EXPENDITURE ON FAMINE RELIEF WORKS DURING THE YEAR
1878-79 OF RS. 36,87,504, COMPLETION CERTIFICATES TO THE
AMOUNT OF RS. 34,68,583 ONLY HAVE YET BEEN RECEIVED IN THIS
OFFICE.

2. THE BOOKS HAVE TO BE CLOSED ON THE 15TH INSTANT,
ALMOST
AND IT IS IMPOSSIBLE THAT BY THAT DATE THE WHOLE OF THE
REMAINING CERTIFICATES SHOULD HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. I THERE-
FORE PROPOSE, WITH THE APPROVAL OF GOVERNMENT, TO DIVIDE
OFF THE REMAINING EXPENDITURE BETWEEN THE P. W. DEPARTMENT
AS NORMAL VALUE AND THE CIVIL DEPARTMENT AS EXCESS DUE TO
FAMINE, IN THE PROPORTIONS ARRIVED AT FROM THE COMPLETION
CERTIFICATES ALREADY RECEIVED. THESE COMPLETION CERTI-
FICATES AS MAY BE INFERRED FROM THE FIGURES GIVEN IN PARA 1
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FOR NORMAL VALUE, AND 25 PER CENT FOR EXCESS DUE TO FAMINE,
MAY REASONABLY, AS FAIR AVERAGE RESULTS, BE APPLIED TO THE
WHOLE.

3. IN NO OTHER WAY DO I SEE A HOPE OF COMPLETING THE
FAMINE ACCOUNTS WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME. THE MATTER IS
NOW SO URGENT, THAT I BEG YOU WILL BE GOOD ENOUGH TO SEND
ME A REPLY BY WIRE.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEYIENT SERVANT,

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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.D.

PL. 103. 2. P.W. BRANCH.

No of 17-7-79. No 18817r

NO. 30. 2.

DATED 10TH JULY 1879.

RECD.

INSTRUCTIONS REQUESTED
REGARDING THE ADJUSTMENT OF P.W.D.
EXPENDITURE FOR WHICH COMPLETION
CERTIFICATES HAVE NOT AS YET BEEN
RECEIVED.

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Cir 14.7.79. Dtd 15.7.79.
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P. W. DEPARTMENT-1879-80.

MEMORANDUM.

Current No.

5178

Letter Number

20 B.

dated the

10th July 1879.

from the Supg Engineer of Examiner

P. W. Accts.

To W
For orders.

If it is absolutely
necessary to close the Famine
accounts on the 15th July,
as stated by the Examiner,
there seems no alternative
but to accept his proposal
for completing the adjust-
ment of Famine outlay.

It is not clear why
it should be necessary
to close the accounts
on the 15th.

By the 15th inst; if
time 11.7 if he w, this letter
should have been
written sooner, and

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u 1502H-2-6-49

not left till the
last moment -

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11.7

The letter should
have been addressed to
the Secretary to Presi-
dent Public Works
Department - There is no
such office as the
"Joint Secretary," Buildings
and Roads Branch -

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* Any overnight
probably but may
as well be noted

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A separate office
note in this
1/7/79
Att
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To Hon. W. Windelinton

For order

If on I presume must
be correct the Finance
relief books have to be
closed absolutely on the
15th inst. I have previously
no objection to the
mode of adjustment
suggested by the General
in para 2 of his No 20
B of the 10th inst. though
it is clear that the
subject should have
been earlier brought
under notice in the
order of Government

So that the Disb. amt. of F.
Expend. may ultimately be
ascertained. I see that the
F. Expend. in 1878 is stated by
H. & Co. at Rs 36,87,000. This is
Grant allotted to F. Ex. was Rs 45
lacs. but I am not
sure whether any further portion
of the 45 lacs was supplied & if
not the Expend. is F. Ex.

12-7-79
I have nothing to say
to the proposal. but it must be
distinctly provided that all
charges due to F. Ex. debited to
the Civil Auto. shall be
capable of ready identification

25-7-79

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GOVT.
OF MADRAS }

1879.

P. W.
DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Copacama
East St. George.

15th July 1879.

OFFICE NOTE

To

While accepting the proposal made in the 2nd para of your No. 20 B of the 10th Instant, Government wish that it may be distinctly provided that all charges due to Famine, debited in the civil accounts, shall be capable of ready identification, so that the whole amount of Famine expenditure may ultimately be ascertained.

Initialed R. H. S.

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N^o 1881 W Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

Read the following:—

From the Examiner of P.W. Accounts
of 10 July 1879 No. 20 B

Order thereon:—

Ordered that the following telegram be sent to the Examiner.

"Your No. 20 B. Proposal is approved."

2. It is not satisfactory that an important question of this kind should only have been brought under notice for the orders of Government three or four days before the date fixed for closing the books.

Recd Mr. Arch. Sup
Res. Dept. 21
Publ. Dept. 7

M. S. Despatched
Dated 23.7.79

J.S.P. 15/7 Allt
15/7/79

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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 17 July 1879, No. 101 W

Nos. 73-74

Appropriation of funds
Expenditure - Appropriation
the proposal of the Engineer
inclosing the — by the
15 July 1879.