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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

13th October 1879, No. 2,580 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following paper :—

No. 28-A. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 26th September 1879, No. 1,858.

From Captain H. LeM. CAREY, Officiating Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 18th September 1879, No. 137 W.

Madura.
North Arcot.
Coimbatore.
Cuddapah.
Salem.

With reference to G.O., No. 2,001 W., of the 30th July last, I have the honor to bring to notice that under the orders passed (Financial Department, No. 1,377 of the 19th July 1879,) no charge can be raised against the Local Funds of the districts concerned on account of the road metal collected by famine labor. Further, no debit on this account can be made to Provincial contributions of the Salem district, because no such contributions were given for the maintenance of trunk roads during 1877-78 and 1878-79. It seems, therefore, absolutely necessary that the full amount involved should be finally adjusted against Provincial Repairs and Imperial Famine Relief, as follows :—

(*a.*) The sum of Rupees 1,61,002, the normal cost of road metal collected by famine labour, debited to *Provincial stock* in the accounts of 1877-78, to be debited to the Civil department as Imperial Famine Relief.

(*b.*) (Which has already been carried out) of the outlay during 1878-79 in the Salem district for the collection of road metal, amounting to Rupees 1,28,583-7-1 (not Rupees 1,37,969 as stated in my Note of 10th May last), the *normal cost*, Rupees 95,514-11-7, has been charged to Repairs Provincial, and the excess due to famine, Rupees 33,068-11-6, to Civil department as Imperial Famine Relief.

2. Although the accounts for 1878-79 have been closed, yet if approved by Government they can be re-opened and adjustment (*a*) effected as suggested. Adjustment (*b*) has already been carried out.

3. It is further contemplated by the order that no other road metal should be allowed to be procured, and that when used on roads, &c., the value should be recovered and credited to Imperial Revenues. To ensure this being strictly enforced, it is necessary that definite orders should be issued for the guidance of Collectors, that none but this metal where available should be taken for the maintenance, &c., of district roads, or for any other purpose, and that the value at the prevailing normal rate be recovered from Local Fund Boards.

4. To secure uniformity of procedure in this respect and punctuality in making recoveries, I would suggest that the quantity of road metal taken from time to time should be clearly recorded in the accounts furnished by the responsible officer, and the value fixed at the rates prevailing in each or neighbouring locality for such material, who would, moreover, be responsible that the value thus obtained of the metal expended on roads, &c., was credited in his accounts to *Imperial Revenues* and per contra charged to works.

5. With the object of avoiding any complications in the accounts of Civil officers, it appears desirable to require the entire recoveries on account of this road metal to be credited to Imperial Revenues. A portion of the outlay of 1878-79 represented by the normal cost has certainly been debited to Provincial Funds; but it has to be borne in mind that this is more than counterbalanced by the entire outlay on road metal during 1877-78 being written off to Imperial Famine Relief in the accounts of that year and the adjustment now proposed. I would accordingly recommend that all recoveries in connection with this road metal under reference should be credited to Imperial Revenue without distinction.

TRANSFERRED to the Financial Department for the issue of the necessary orders. The Examiner's suggestions are approved.

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Major, R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

HIS GRACE the Governor in Council approves the Examiner's suggestions, and directs that they be carried out.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 28-B. ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1879, No. 2,580 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, who will at once take the necessary action in the matter.

2. The suggestions contained in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Examiner's letter will be acted on by the Public Works and Revenue Officers concerned.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineers, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Circles.
,, Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
,, Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1879} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS,
SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH AND
FIFTH CIRCLES.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October 13th.

Issued

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 13th October 1879, No. 2,580 W.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 28-A—28-B.

Adjustment of famine outlay on collection of road metal in certain districts in the Accounts for 1878-79,—Proceedings Financial Department, approving the Examiner's suggestions as to the — communicated to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

13th October 1879, No. 2,580-D W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following paper :—

No. 29 Endorsement of the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Political Department, dated Ootacamund, 22nd September 1879, No. 1,844.

From W. AUSTIN, Esq., Sub-Collector in charge of the Government Agency, Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Madras, dated Tanjore, 5th August 1879, No. 169.

21st February 1879,	No.	453.
3rd June	,,	,,	243.
12th July	,,	,,	1,842 W.

Adverting to the Government Orders noted in the margin, I have the honor to enclose a letter from the Superintending Engineer, No. 964 T.I., dated 4th instant, with estimates for repairing the palace buildings at Tanjore, revised as ordered by Government. From these it will appear that the original estimate for Rs. 1,32,580 has been reduced to Rupees 63,500, which amount it is necessary to spend to put the building into order. The estimated cost of the more urgent of these works, as shown in Captain Brockman's Abstracts Nos. 1 and 2 also enclosed, is Rupees 32,848, made up of Rupees 3,860 on account of the improvement of the drainage and Rs. 28,988 for improving portions of the buildings which are really in a dangerous state. I therefore beg to recommend that early orders be passed for executing these repairs at least.

2. With reference to the latter part of G.O., No. 453, dated 21st February last, I beg to report that the palace building is now occupied only by the immediate relations of the late Rajah, who are all entitled to a residence there. A list of these occupants also accompanies the Superintending Engineer's letter.

Transferred with Hon'ble Members' notes to the Public Works Department for the issue of the necessary orders.

2. It is understood that no part of the outlay of Rupees 3,860 is to be recovered from the occupants of the palace.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.

No. 30. Order thereon, 13th October 1879, No. 2,580-D W.

With the foregoing letter the Government Agent, Tanjore, submits a reduced estimate of Rupees 63,500 for repairs to portions of the Tanjore palace.

This estimate is in four sections :—

	RS.
(1) for drainage improvements urgently needed	3,860
(2) for repairing dangerously dilapidated portions of the building	28,988
(3) for plastering up leaks in yards and terraces ...	11.607
(4) for general repairs not immediately necessary ...	19,045

2. His Grace the Governor in Council resolves to sanction the first section of the estimate, amounting to Rupees 3,860, for drainage repairs, and the Government of India will be requested, in the Political Department, to make a special grant for these, and for other repairs, which may very possibly become necessary after the work included in this section of the estimate has been executed.

3. Meanwhile, the Executive Engineer, Tanjore, will set the work in hand forthwith, a *pro tem.* appropriation of Rupees 3,000 being made from the Provincial Reserve, to be recouped from the special funds which it is expected the Government of India will provide.

4. The sanction accorded in paragraph 2 of these Proceedings has been registered as Special No. 37 B of 1879-80.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Political Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1879) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To
The SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
FIFTH CIRCLE.
&c. &c. &c.

Dated October 1879.

Passed

Recd. No.

G. O., 13th October 1879, No. 2,580-D W.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 29[illegible]0.

Tanjore Palace.—Sanctions with remarks the first section of the estimate for drainage repairs to the —.

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Financial Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following Endorsement from the Public Works Department dated 20 September 1879 No 2996, transferring letter from Examiner P.W. Accounts suggesting certain measures for finally adjusting Famine Relief Expenditure on collection of Road metal in certain Districts in the accounts of 1878-79

Order thereon 26 September 1879 No 1858

His Grace the Governor in Council approves the Examiner's suggestions and directs that they be carried out.

(True Extract)

Ag Chief Secretary

To
The Public Works Dept

Lie over for a day or two

G.O. 13-10-79. No 2580 W

P.W.D.
20.17.79
No. 7063

Govt. of {187 } Madras.

To

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FROM THE EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

NO. I37. W. CHEPAK, I8TH. SEPTEMBER I879.

SIR,

WITH REFERENCE TO G.O. NO. 200I. W. OF THE 30TH. JULY LAST, I HAVE THE HONOR TO BRING TO NOTICE THAT UNDER THE ORDERS PASSED ⟨ FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT NO. I377 OF THE I9TH. JULY I879 ⟩ NO CHARGE CAN BE RAISED AGAINST THE LOCAL FUNDS OF THE DISTRICTS CONCERNED ON ACCOUNT OF THE ROAD METAL COLLECTED BY FAMINE LABOR. FURTHER, NO DEBIT ON THIS ACCOUNT CAN BE MADE TO PROVINCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE SALEM DISTRICT, BECAUSE NO SUCH CONTRIBUTIONS WERE GIVEN FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF TRUNK ROADS DURING I877-78 AND I878-79. IT SEEMS THEREFORE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY THAT THE FULL AMOUNT INVOLVED SHOULD BE FINALLY ADJUSTED AGAINST PROVINCIAL REPAIRS AND IMPERIAL FAMINE RELIEF AS FOLLOWS :-

MADURA.
NORTH ARCOT.
COIMBATORE.
CUDDAPAH.
SALEM.

⟨ A ⟩ THE SUM OF RS. I,6I,002 THE NORMAL COST OF ROAD METAL COLLECTED BY FAMINE LABOR, DEBITED TO PROVINCIAL STOCK IN THE ACCOUNTS OF I877-78, TO BE DEBITED TO THE CIVIL DEPARTMENT AS IMPERIAL FAMINE RELIEF.

(B) (WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN CARRIED OUT) OF THE OUTLAY DURING 1878-79 IN THE SALEM DISTRICT FOR THE COLLECTION OF ROAD METAL AMOUNTING TO RS.128,583-7-1 (NOT RS.127,969 AS STATED IN MY NOTE OF 10TH. MAY LAST) THE NORMAL COST RS.95,514-11-7 HAS BEEN CHARGED TO REPAIRS PROVINCIAL AND THE EXCESS DUE TO FAMINE RS.33,068-11-6 TO CIVIL DEPARTMENT AS IMPERIAL FAMINE RELIEF.

2. ALTHOUGH THE ACCOUNTS FOR 1878-79 HAVE BEEN CLOSED, YET IF APPROVED BY GOVERNMENT, THEY CAN BE RE-OPENED AND ADJUSTMENT A EFFECTED AS SUGGESTED. ADJUSTMENT B HAS ALREADY BEEN CARRIED OUT.

3. IT IS FURTHER CONTEMPLATED BY THE ORDER THAT NO OTHER ROAD METAL SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO BE PROCURED AND THAT WHEN USED ON ROADS ETC THE VALUE SHOULD BE RECOVERED AND CREDITED TO IMPERIAL REVENUES. TO ENSURE THIS BEING STRICTLY ENFORCED, IT IS NECESSARY THAT DEFINITE ORDERS SHOULD BE ISSUED FOR THE GUIDANCE OF COLLECTORS, THAT NONE BUT THIS METAL WHERE AVAILABLE, SHOULD BE TAKEN FOR THE MAINTENANCE ETC. OF DISTRICT ROADS, OR FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE AND THAT THE VALUE AT THE PREVAILING NORMAL RATE BE RECOVERED FROM LOCAL FUND BOARDS.

4. TO SECURE UNIFORMITY OF PROCEDURE IN THIS RESPECT AND PUNCTUALITY IN MAKING RECOVERIES, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE QUANTITY OF ROAD METAL TAKEN FROM TIME TO TIME SHOULD BE CLEARLY RECORDED IN THE ACCOUNTS FURNISHED BY THE RESPONSIBLE OFFICER AND THE VALUE FIXED AT THE RATES PREVAILING IN EACH OR NEIGHBOURING LOCALITY FOR SUCH MATERIAL,

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WHO WOULD MOREOVER BE RESPONSIBLE THAT THE VALUE THUS OBTAINED OF THE METAL EXPENDED ON ROADS ETC WAS CREDITED IN HIS ACCOUNTS TO IMPERIAL REVENUES AND PER CONTRA CHARGED TO WORKS.

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5. WITH THE OBJECT OF AVOIDING ANY COMPLICATIONS IN THE ACCOUNTS OF CIVIL OFFICERS, IT APPEARS DESIRABLE TO REQUIRE THE ENTIRE RECOVERIES ON ACCOUNT OF THIS ROAD METAL TO BE CREDITED TO IMPERIAL REVENUES. A PORTION OF THE OUTLAY OF 1878-79 REPRESENTED BY THE NORMAL COST HAS CERTAINLY BEEN DEBITED TO PROVINCIAL FUNDS, BUT IT HAS TO BE BORNE IN MIND THAT THIS IS MORE THAN COUNTERBALANCED BY THE ENTIRE OUTLAY ON ROAD METAL DURING 1877-78 BEING WRITTEN OFF TO IMPERIAL FAMINE RELIEF IN THE ACCOUNTS OF THAT YEAR AND THE ADJUSTMENT NOW PROPOSED. I WOULD ACCORDINGLY RECOMMEND THAT ALL RECOVERIES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ROAD METAL UNDER REFERENCE SHOULD BE CREDITED TO IMPERIAL REVENUE WITHOUT DISTINCTION.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,
SIR,
YOUR MOST OBEDIENT SERVANT,

OFFG. EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS.

P.W.D.
19SEP79
NO. 6754

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

TO THE SECY. TO GOVERNMENT,
P.W. DEPT.

G.O. 13-10-79 No 2580 W

NO. 137. W.

No 2001. W. 30-7-79

DATED 18TH. SEPTEMBER 1879.

RECD.

FAMINE RELIEF EXPENDITURE. ADJUSTMENT OF OUTLAY ON COLLECTION OF ROAD METAL IN CERTAIN DISTRICTS FINALLY IN THE ACCOUNTS FOR 1878-79

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P. W. 1879 DEPARTMENT.

No. 6754

From

The Examiner
P W Accts

No. 1374
Dated 18 September 1879
Recd.

SUBJECT.

Adjustment of outlay on collection of road metal in certain Districts finally in the accounts for 1878-79

Disposal. P2

Ch Engrs Memo No 2996 d/ 19 Sept 79

Transferred to the Finl Dept for the issue of the necessary Orders The Examiner's suggestions are approved

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P. W. Department.

No. 2580 W.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 13th Octr 1879. 98/60

READ the following

Pro: in the Financial Dept. (G.O. No 1858 d/26th Septr/79)

Communicated to the Examiner P. W. Accounts who will at once take the necessary action in the matter.

2. The suggestions contained in paras 3 and 4 of the Examiner's letter will be acted on by the P. W. and Revenue Officers concerned.

D. 13.10

Superintending Engineers. 2nd, 3, 4th & 5th Circles
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
,, Railway Accounts.
Consulting Architect.
Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.
General Superintendent, P. W. Stores and Workshops.
~~Do. do. P. W. Stores Department.~~
Chief Engineer and Manager, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
Examiner Irrigation and Canal Company's Accounts.
Revenue Dept. ms Despd

Despd 14-10-79
24-10-79.

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Cir 6754

Govt. of (1879) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

16.11.79

To

Dated

Issued

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G.O. 13 Octr. 1879 2580 W

Nos. 28 A & 28 B

Adjustment of Government outlay in collection of its adjustment in certain districts in the accounts for 1878-79. Prop. Civil Dept approving the Exr's suggestions as to the — Commd to the Exr O. Acct.

Tanjore, submits a reduced estimate of R 63,500 for repairs to portions of the Tanjore palace.

This estimate is in four sections:—

(1.) for drainage improvements, urgently needed— R. 3860;

(2) for repairing ~~dangerous~~ dangerously dilapidated portions of the building— R. 28.988;

(3) for plastering up leaks in roofs and terraces— R. 11.607;

(4) for general repairs not immediately necessary— R. 19.045.

2. His Grace the Governor in Council resolves to sanction the first section of the estimate, amtg. to R 3,860, for drainage repairs, and the Govt.

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G.O. 174. 26.5.76
— 59. 11.7.76
— 75. 15.9.76
— 2716. 11-10-76
— 1842 W. 12.7.79
— 2306 A.W. 10.9.79

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From the Political Dept
No 1844 Dt 23rd Sept/79

Revised Tanjore Palace Estimates with notes by Members.

Aug 23/9

To W.

The Sanction should be given in this Dept., & it is for that that the papers have been transferred. The application to India for funds must be made in the Political Dept.

The following order is proposed:—

With the foregoing letter the Govt. Agent,

Cir 24-9-79. Retd 30-9-79.
O.L. Cheel 30 Septr

We are now getting to somewhat reasonable figures —

The R 3660. shd be sanctioned — will entail probably a somewhat larger sum — as it does not appear to include the breaking out & making good after fixing the pipes —

Political DEPARTMENT

No. 409.

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From

The Government Agent
Tanjore, d/ 5 August
1879, No. 169.

FOR ORDERS.

Mr. Austin the Sub Collector in charge of the Government Agency Tanjore resubmits the original estimate for repairing the palace buildings at Tanjore, aggregating Rs 1,32,580, and sends with it a reduced estimate for Rs 63,500, for repairing the buildings specified in the general abstract.

2. Captain Brockman the Executive Engineer states that he has "rigorously struck out all improvements and a large portion of the plastering which in the original estimates formed a very considerable item". He has prepared four abstracts showing the works immediately necessary, viz:

The first for improving drains and providing zinc pipes &c for proper drainage — Rs. 3,860.

The Second for repairing the dangerous portions of Palace buildings — Rs 28,988.

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I think application might be made to G. of I. for it. but I doubt whether it would be successful —

The remainder may stand over for next years Budget but when considered - it must not be forgotten that the orders to Exec Eng. must be peremptory that no additional building or alteration is to be allowed —

That no demolition & rebuilding is permissible if the part can be repaired & made to last for 10 years at a less cost —

& ~~That~~ when an officer has allowed himself to submit as necessary extensive estimates for new plastering - when he himself admits scrubbing & whitewashing will answer every purpose his estimates must be received with great hesitation —

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it must also be pointed out that where scrubbing & whitewashing will answer every purpose - it is not necessary for Govt. to undertake the work - which shd be done by or at cost of inmates

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Forwarded to H. E.

Remarks.

I see that in 76 the Govt. rejected the suggestion of the

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The third for plastering the yards & terraces in places to prevent water soaking through and rotting the timber below — Rs 11,607.

The fourth for general repairs which though not of a very emergent nature are nevertheless necessary — Rs 19,045

Rs. 63,500

3. Mr. Austin recommends that early orders be passed for carrying out the *first* and *second* estimates amounting together to Rs. 32,848 — and he states the palace building is now occupied only by the immediate relations of the late Rajah "who are all entitled to a residence there."

Orders requested

Pol. Agent that the cost of repairs might reasonably be recovered from the inmates.

The orig. papers are not put up – but my present impression is that it wd. not be unreasonable to do this.

The family are recg. large amt. of State allowances & have also considerable private income.

Their occupn. of the Palace &c. may be admitted as a quasi right. but I am not sure that the maintce. in habitable repair was to prevent them becoming a nuisance to the neighbourhood is not a legitimate consequence. L.G.

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FOR ORDERS.

I wd. ask G.G.'s advice for leave to debit this first item to Political budget not deferring Rec. until we receive their reply.

The applic. shd. however be made in Pol. D.

If they refuse, we shd. accept the charge agst. Provl. – but shd. at the same time state that the Govt. are precluded from further expendr. – Send copy of the Pro: to G.G. L.G.

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Cir. 1.10.79. ~~Abd~~ 18.10.79
O.h. Chief to Sepl.

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His Grace observes that no reference has been made in the draft to his remarks of the 10th inst.

It was concluded from the underlined passage in those remarks that he did not wish the subject of repairs, and the manner in which they should be estimated for and carried out by the Executive Engineer, to be ~~deferred~~ discussed until next year's budget was under consideration. The draft letter therefore related solely to the question of the drainage – to which His Grace's remarks did not apply.

If the drainage is to be at once taken up, and such petty repairs as whitewashing are also to be set in hand, an appropriation from same head of service must at once be made.

Funds could be provided from the Provl. Reserve, subject to recoupment when the Govt. of India makes the grant about to be asked for. But it must not be forgotten that, as has been observed, the chances of their consenting to make the grant are very doubtful. In that case, whatever outlay is incurred must be charged _finally_ to Provincial; and it is not unlikely that such a deficit might attract the notice of the Govt. of India.

It has all along been recognised that the cost of repairs to the Tanjore Palace cannot fairly be imposed on the Provincial grant; and in the application about to be sent to the Govt. of India for a _Special_ grant, a distinct reference will have to be made to this fact as a reason for the application.

The undersigned would also beg to observe that under the present restriction of expenditure the grant of Provl. funds to works which, it must be allowed, are _far_ more pressing than these repairs to the Tanjore palace, however desirable they may be, is daily refused.

A.S.P.
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30/9/79

No. 2117

Tanjore Division Office
Tanjore 2d August 1879

From

The Executive Engineer
Tanjore Division

To

The Superintending Engineer
5th Circle.

Sir,

In returning the original memo No. 104 of the 12th July 1879 and the Government Order referred to therein, as also letter No. 49 of the 22d March 1879, with its enclosures from the Government Agent of Tanjore, I have the honor to return duly revised in accordance with the instructions conveyed in the above G.O. the Estimates 42 in number for the repairs of the Palace Buildings at Tanjore.

2. I have rigorously struck out all improvements and a large portion of the plastering which in the original Estimates formed a very considerable item, as upon inspection of the portions of which new plastering was provided I found that mere scrubbing the surfaces and whitewashing would serve every

purpose and recommend itself on the score of economy. No new buildings are provided for except that portion at present occupied by Rajah Srithapa Audramana Row Inglay Row Sahib a bit which is in a really dangerous condition.

3. The work to be carried out has been divided into Sections both as regards its emergency as well as regards the suites of apartments occupied by the several members of the late Rajah's family. I trust this interpretation of the word "by Sections" used in the Government order may be accepted as correct

4 The total amount of Estimate, it will be observed, has been reduced to less than half the original Estimated amount.

5 The Estimates for providing zinc piping can but be approximate, as many of the drains from the upper stories of the buildings denoted by the numbers marginally entered are carried in the thickness of the walls down into the subsidiary and main ground drains.

3 to 6, 10 to 13, 16 to 28, 31, 33, & 39.

6 A general provision of Rs. 1000 has been made in a separate Estimate No. 42 for providing for opening up the underground drains all over the Palace enclosure and repairing them where required.

7. The detail Estimates which have to be copied out in a fair form will follow in about a month's time, as my draftsmen have abundance of other important work on their hands at present, and as these detail Estimates are only required in the event of the work being sanctioned for execution.

8. I received your letter forwarding the Government order on the evening of the 21st ultimo in Camp, so that I have been enabled to despatch the revised Estimates to you within the 14 days limit assigned to me in the Government order.

I have the honor &c.

(Signed) A. A. E. Brockman Captn. R.E.

Executive Engineer Tanjore Dt.

Enclosures. 58.

1 General Abstract Estimate Rs. 63,500
40. Revised Abstract Estimates from No. 1 to 42
4. Estimates according to Sections of works
6. Tracing Plans.
1. Abstract Estimate in Book form.
1. General Specification
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1 Chief Engr's memo No. 104
1. G. O. No. – dated 12 July 1879
1 Government Agent's letter with enclosures
2. Letters from late District Engr's Office.
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J. W. Rundall
Supg Engineer 5 Circle.

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From
The Superintending Engineer
5 Circle

To
The Government Agent
Tanjore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 49 of the 22d March 1879, requesting that the Estimate for repairing the Palace Buildings at Tanjore, might be revised and also to G. O. No. 1842 W. of the 12 Ultimo, directing that this be done at once, I have the honor to forward herewith a series of Abstract Estimates amounting to Rs. 63,500 together with a list showing the Sections or families by which the various buildings are used and request you will be good enough to forward the same on to Government at the earliest possible date with your opinion as to whether Government should repair all the buildings as shown in the General Abstract in which the names of the various parties occupying the Buildings are given.

2. I forward also for transmission to Government a copy of Captain Brockman's letter of the 2nd Instant forwarding the Estimates.

3. Captain Brockman has also prepared 4 Abstracts, dividing the work according to its nature and urgency. From these it will be observed that Rs. 3,860 are wanted for improvement of the drainage, and Rs. 28,988 are required for improving portions of the Palace Buildings which are really dangerous

4. I have informed the Chief Engineer that these Abstract Estimates have been forwarded to you this day.

5. I also forward for retransmission to Government the previous Estimate amounting to Rs. 132,580 together with the original documents received with your No. 53 dated the 5th April 1879.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servt.
J. W. Rundall
Actg. Supdg. Engineer
5 Circle

Enclosures

1. General abstract Estes. Rs. 63,500
40. Revised Abstract Estes. from No. 1 to 42
4. Estimates according to sections of works
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1. Abstract Estimate in Book form
1. Specification
1. Letter from Distt. Engr. to Chief Engr. dated 12 May 78 No. 976 —
1 — Do. — Do. — Do. — dated 2d. August 78 No. 1752
1. Copy of Captn. Brockman's letter No. 2117 dated 2d. Augst. 79

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From [illegible] 4.8.79

The Supg Engineer
5 Circle

To

The Government Agent
Tanjore

G.O. 13-10-79 No 2050 W

No. 964 J.

Dated 4th August 79
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Forwarded for counter-signature & transmission to the Chief Engr. Plans and Estimates for the repairs of the Tanjore Palace.

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Office

Tanjore - Palace Buildings

Original of G.O. of May 1876 called for by Hon: Mr. Huddleston.

The Estimates relating to the repairs of the buildings have been transferred to the Public Works Department. Administration given that no part of the 3000 odd Rupees wh. are to be spent sh. be charged to the Tanjore [illegible] office

23/9/79

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No. 169 Tanjore Government Agents Office
Tanjore 6th August 1879

From
H. Austen Esqre
Sub Collector in charge of the Government Agency
Tanjore

To
C. G. Master Esqre
Chief Secretary to Government
Madras

Sir

Adverting to the Government Orders noted in the margin,

21st February 1879 No. 453
5th June 1879 243
12th July 1879 1842 W

I have to enclose a letter from the Superintending Engineer No. 964 I. dated 4th instant with Estimates for repairing the Palace buildings at Tanjore revised as ordered by Government. From these it will appear that the original Estimate for Rs 132,580 has been reduced to Rs 63,500 which amount it is necessary to spend to put the buildings into order. The estimated cost of the more urgent of these works as shown in Captain Brockman's abstracts No. 1 & 2 also enclosed is Rs 32848 made up of Rs 3860 on account of the improvement of the drainage and Rs 28988 for improving portions of the buildings which are really in a dangerous state. I therefore beg to recommend that early orders be passed for executing these repairs at once.

3 With reference to the latter part of Government Order No 453 dated 21st February last, I beg to report that the Palace building is now occupied only by the immediate relations of the late Rajah who are all entitled to a residence there. A list of these occupants which accompanies the Executive Engineer's letter.

I beg to have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt

W Lewton
Sub Collector in charge
of the [illegible] Agency

Compd W.H.

No. 1844.

Transferred with Hon'ble Members' notes to the Public Works Department for the issue of the necessary orders.

2. It is understood that no part of the outlay of Rs 3860 is to be recovered from the occupants of the Palace.

Ag. Chief Secretary

Pol. Consmnt. 22nd Sept 1879.

To the Public Works Department.

1879
Political Department
(Tanjore Palace Buildings)

From
The Government Agent
Tanjore

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Madras

Dated 5th
Recd 9th } August 1879

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G.O. 13-10-79 No. 2580 W

Submits Estimates &c for the repairs of the Palace buildings at Tanjore.

No. 2580 W. Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 13th Oct/79.

Read the following:—

From,
The Political Departt. (H.C. No. 1844 of 22nd Septr/79.)

With the foregoing letter the Government Agent, Tanjore, submits a reduced estimate of Rs 63,500 for repairs to portions of the Tanjore palace.

This estimate is in four sections:—

(1) for drainage improvements urgently needed. Rs 3860

(2)

I am to observe that the conditional sanction is in accordance with the G's intentions.

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repairs to be [illegible]

(2) for repairing dangerously dilapidated portions of the building – Rs 28,988;

(3.) for plastering up leaks in yards and terraces – Rs 11,607;

(4.) for general repairs not immediately necessary – Rs 19,045.

2. His Grace the Governor in Council resolves to sanction the first section of the estimate, amounting to Rs 3,860, for drainage repairs, and the Government of India will be requested, in the

at once – so not Provincial [illegible]

I do not see any notice of the present Invited as to the principle, to be observed in estimates for recurring [illegible] repairs

Political Department, to make a Special grant for these, and for other repairs, which may very possibly become necessary after the work included in this section of the estimate has been executed.

~~In anticipation of the~~

Meanwhile the Executive Engineer, Tanjore, will set the work in hand forthwith, a pro tem: appropriation of Rs. 3,000 being made from the Local Reserve, to be recouped from ~~Political funds~~ the Special funds which

3. The Executive Engineer, Tanjore, will understand that the sanction now accorded will not warrant his setting the repairs in hand, until funds have

been provided by the Government of India.

24/9/79

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which it is expected the Govt. of India will provide.

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The sanction accorded in para 2 of these Pro: has been registered as Special No. 37 B of 1879-80.

Recd 1.10.79.
Cir 24-9-79. Ditt 30.9.79
O.L. Sheil 60 Sepli

4th Appendix & 5 enc sent 23-10-79

E.E. 5th Circle
Exr P.W. Acct ✗
Political Departt
Ø E.C. sent 22-10-79

No. 5 dispd 13/10/79
✗ estimate sent with the ore copies.
23-10-79.

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Govt. of {1879} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To [illegible] 11-10

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G. O., 13 Octr 1879, No. 2580 D 2

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Tanjore Palace

Sanctions with remarks the first section of the estimate for drainage & repairs to the ——.

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