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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

14th February 1881, No. 405 W.

General.
Account.

No. 50. Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 14th February 1881,
No. 405 W.

It having been brought to the notice of Government that the present system of specific appropriation to individual works from the grants for Minor Works, Repairs, and Tools and Plant involves much labor, which can be avoided without weakening the control over expenditure by a change of system, it has been decided to substitute the following practice for the one at present in force in regard to these grants:—

1. Each Superintending Engineer will report to Government, before the close of March, the amount of the estimated requirements of the ensuing year in lump sums under each fund and head for each division, so as to aid the Government in distributing the grants for Minor Works, Repairs, and Tools and Plant.

2. On the issue of the budget, or as soon after as possible, the Government will issue a statement in the following form, specifying the amounts allotted to each division under the several heads:—

Fund _____

Divisions.	MINOR WORKS.				REPAIRS.				Tools and Plant.
	Military.	Civil Build-ings.	Communica-tions.	Miscellaneous Public Im-provements.	Military.	Civil Build-ings.	Communica-tions.	Miscellaneous Public Im-provements.	
Architect									
Cuddapah									
&c.									
&c.									
Reserve with Government ..									
Total Grants as per Budget ..									

3. The Government will retain a portion of the grant as a reserve at its own disposal, or at the disposal of the Superintending Engineer or other authority, to meet unforeseen or emergent demands, from which reserve additions can be made to the grant for any division as may be required from time to time.

4. No appropriations will be made from these grants to individual works, the amounts allotted to each division being regarded as the limits within which the Executive Engineer is empowered to incur expenditure during the year upon duly sanctioned estimates under each head and sub-head.

5. Each Executive Engineer will maintain a register in his division showing the progress of expenditure against the grant to enable him to watch that the prescribed limit of grant is not exceeded, and to take timely measures to obtain additional funds if needed. This register may be in the following simple form:—

Fund—

Particulars.	MAJOR WORKS				REPAIRS				Tools and Plant
	Military.	Civil Build-ings.	Communications.	Minor Public Im-provements.	Military.	Civil Build-ings.	Communications.	Minor Public Im-provements.	
Grant as per G.O. No. dated	500								
Outlay in April	50								
Balance 1st May	450								
Outlay in May	50								
Balance 1st June	400								
Outlay in June	50								
Balance 1st July	350								
And so on each month.									

6. The distribution of the grants will at the same time be communicated to the Examiner, who will maintain a similar watch over the progress of expenditure and report to Government all tendency to exceed the allotments.

7. The grant for Major Works will continue to be appropriated to specific works as at present; and these arrangements will not affect in any way the rules requiring a specific sanctioned estimate for each Minor Work or Repair or for expenditure on Tools and Plant, or the rules requiring the maintenance of registers and lists of such sanctions.

(True Extract.)

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

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Superintendents of Works.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Consulting Architect.
" General Superintendent, Public Works Stores.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

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SUPERINTENDENT, ENGINEER,

James H. Thompson, Vice.

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Grants for Minor Works, Repairs, and Tools and Plant.—Laying down certain modifications in dealing with —, restricting outlay within budget limits.

P. W. DEPARTMENT

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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 1 FEBRUARY 1887

Office Note No. 1038

To

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I HAVE THE HONOR TO INVITE
ATTENTION TO THE AMOUNT OF LABOR INVOLVED IN THE PRESENT MODE OF DEALING WITH THE GRANTS FOR MINOR WORKS, REPAIRS AND TOOLS AND PLANT AND TO POINT OUT THAT MUCH WORK WITHOUT THE LOSS OF THE POWER OF CONTROL CAN BE SAVED BY A MODIFICATION IN THE PRESENT PRACTICE

2. THE PROCEDURE NOW IN FORCE IS AS FOLLOWS:

1ST. THE BUDGET PROVIDES A FIXED SUM UNDER EACH OF THE HEADS FOR MINOR WORKS, REPAIRS, AND TOOLS AND PLANT.

2ND. THIS SUM IS DISTRIBUTED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN PROPORTIONS AMONGST THE SEVERAL LOCAL AUTHORITIES, A CERTAIN RESERVE BEING RETAINED BY ITSELF.

3RD. AS WORKS ARE SANCTIONED AND CARRYING OFFICERS REQUIRE FUNDS FOR THEM, THEY APPLY FOR THE AMOUNT REQUIRED IN EACH SPECIFIC CASE TO THE AUTHORITY, GENERALLY

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER WHO HAS THE DISPOSAL OF THE RESERVES, AND WHO ALLOTS THE AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR EACH WORK.

4TH. MONTHLY LISTS ARE PREPARED AND SUBMITTED THROUGH THE SUPERINTENDING AND CHIEF ENGINEERS TO THE EXAMINER CONTAINING THE NAMES OF ALL WORKS SANCTIONED DURING THE MONTH AND THE SPECIFIC APPROPRIATIONS TO EACH.

5TH. THE EXAMINER MAINTAINS RECORDS OF THE ALLOTMENTS AT DISPOSAL OF EACH AUTHORITY AND THE APPROPRIATIONS MADE THEREFROM, AS WELL AS OF THE GRANT FOR EACH WORK FOR COMPARISON WITH THE EXPENDITURE AGAINST IT.

6. THE SYSTEM BRIEFLY DESCRIBED ABOVE GIVES RISE TO A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERICAL WORK, IN THE FORM OF REQUESTIONS FOR FUNDS BY DISBURSERS, THE ADVICE OF ALLOTMENTS BY SANCTIONING AUTHORITY, THE PREPARATION OF LONG MONTHLY LISTS OF SANCTIONS, THE NECESSITY FOR CONSTANT WATCH OF EXPENDITURE ON EACH WORK WITH REFERENCE TO THE GRANT BESIDES THE NECESSARY COMPARISON WITH THE ESTIMATE, AND THE CONSTANT OBJECTIONS FOR WANT OF OR EXCESS OVER GRANT.

4. I WOULD NOW PROPOSE THE SUBSTITUTION OF THE FOLLOWING

PROPOSAL

1. IN THE CASE OF MINOR WORKS 'REPAIRS' AND 'TOOLS AND PLANT' ARE BY THE SAME ENDS CAN BE ATTAINED WITH MUCH GREATER EASE AND SAVING OF LABOUR TO ALL CONCERNED.

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WILL MAKE A DISTRIBUTION OF THE GRANT AMONGST THE SEVERAL DIVISIONS ACCORDING TO THE ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS OF EACH FOR THE YEAR.

THE EXAMINER WILL MAINTAIN A RECORD OF THE GRANTS THIS DISTRIBUTED, AND OF THE PROGRESS OF OUTLAY TO THE END OF EACH MONTH AGAINST THE GRANTS, SO AS TO RESTRAIN THE EXPENDITURE WITHIN THE LIMITS AUTHORIZED BY THE GRANTS.

5. THE MAIN OBJECT SOUGHT, VIA THE RESTRICTION OF OUTLAY WITHIN BUDGET LIMITS IS THIS READILY OBTAINED WITHOUT ALL THE TROUBLE ENTAILLED BY THE SYSTEM OF SPECIFIC APPROPRIATIONS TO EACH WORK.

6. A SIMILAR ARRANGEMENT WAS SANCTIONED FOR THE IRRIGATION BRANCH IN THE PUNJAB WITH THE DESIRED RESULTS, AND I WOULD STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY BE MOVED TO ACCORD THEIR SANCTION TO THE INTRODUCTION OF A LIKE ARRANGEMENT FOR THIS PRESIDENCY WITH EFFECT FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE NEXT OFFICIAL YEAR.

IN THIS PROPOSAL WE HAVE
TYPED THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS
WHICH WILL BE MADE FOR THE IN-
SECTION OF A BILL TO THE REVENUE
SECTION IN CHAPTER XIV OF THE IN-
COME TAX ACT WHICH IS NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION.

Dr.
12.

C-20.0.

E. J.

Please note on
this proposal -

As regards appropriation
the proposal is identical
with one which I made
years ago in North Lond.,
but which if I remember
rightly was disallowed
owing to objections raised
by the Examiners &c. -

Now if I remember
rightly ^{well} make a somewhat
different proposal
the difference being that

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you proposed that ap-
propriation should be
made by trusts; this
would hardly be practicable
under present circumstances,
and there seems no inter-
mediate course between
maintaining the present
system of appropriation
to individual works, and
C.'s proposal of appropria-
tion by Divisions -

The latter is infinitely
preferable, for the present
system gives an amount
of useless work which
can hardly be reduced
except by those who have
great practical experience
of it -

But I am not so
clear as to the sanctions,

as Chief Engineer receives
a Progress Report monthly, in

as distinguished from
appropriations - C. seems
 if I read his paper I
 correctly, to propose to
 dispense with the existing
 lists of sanctioned estimates
 for minor new works to
 repair, and to treat
 the whole expenditure
 on such works
 of a Division as if it were
 a single work -

This would not be
 convenient in the Roads
 and Bridges Branch,
 and would probably be
 quite inadvisable as
 regards irrigation works -

Yr. Obedt. Servt.
 E.W.
 I entirely concur in
 C's proposals as regards app-
 propriations, the difference being that

by substituting the
 for sanctioned
 in the proposals -

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appropriations and I made
 similar proposals about
 4 or 5 years ago and I think
 several times before that.
 The present system of specific
 appropriations to individual
 minor & repair works is
 radically bad and is not
 only of no value from any
 point of view but is a waste
 of time and money.

In the irrigation branch the
 grants are allotted to Divisions
 and consequently no app-
 propriations other than those
 made by Branch would be
 needed unless re-appropri-
 ations and transfers be found
 necessary which would be
 dealt with as at present.

2. With regard to auctioning
 under these heads I
 presume that there would be
 no change as at present
 under the Code rules -
 I as Chief Engineer receive
 a Progress Report monthly in

which are shown

- (1) the expenditures and other particulars of major works each month
- (2) the minor works in detail in the Report for Sept. & March while in other months the number of works, the total sanction & expenditure are shown
- (3) the repair works in detail only once a year viz in the Report for March.

Probably the C would require
a schedule monthly giving
the number of works under
each mark, the sanction
the allotment, the expenditure
&c.

The Superintendent must
maintain his list of visitors,
I enclose as at present

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Please draft a circular embodying

The views above ex-
pressed, for submission
to Government before imple-

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 8/2/87

I HAVE THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE
YOUR LETTER OF 11/1/54
RE: THE DRAFT CIRCULAR, DATED 10/29/54.

gmc
C.F.C.

Office Note from the Engineer S. W. Acton No 1038 of 1-2-89.

FOR ORDERS.

The course proposed
by the Engineer will save
a considerable amount of
utterly useless labour, without
any corresponding disadvantage.

John Bevington
Major M.E.

for the Govt S. W. Acton.

Acton.

FOR ORDERS.

No 405 21 9 12 Feb 1934

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IT HAVING BEEN BROUGHT TO THE NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT THAT THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF SPECIFIC APPROPRIATION TO TRIMMING WORKS OF THE CANALS AND MINOR WORKS, REPAIRS, AND TOOLS AND PLANT INVOLVES MUCH LARGES, WHICH CAN BE AVOIDED WITHOUT WEAKENING THE CONTROL OVER EXPENDITURES, BY A CHANGE OF SYSTEM, IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO SUBSTITUTE THE FOLLOWING PRACTICE FOR THE ONE AT PRESENT IN FORCE IN REGARD TO THESE GRANTS.

1. EACH SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER WILL REPORT TO GOVERNMENT BEFORE THE CLOSE OF EACH YEAR THE AMOUNT OF THE ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR IN LUMP SUMS UNDER EACH OF THE HEADS FOR EACH DIVISION, SO AS TO AID GOVERNMENT IN DISTRIBUTING THE GRANTS FOR MINOR WORKS, REPAIRS, AND TOOLS AND PLANT.

2. ON THE ISSUE OF THE BUDGET, OR AS LATE AS POSSIBLE, GOVERNMENT WILL ISSUE A STATEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING FORM, SPECIFYING THE AMOUNTS ALLOTTED TO EACH DIVISION UNDER THE SEVERAL HEADS.

Division	Tools and Plant	Repairs	Minor Works	Trimming	Other
1st Div.					
2nd Div.					
3rd Div.					
4th Div.					
5th Div.					
6th Div.					
7th Div.					
8th Div.					
9th Div.					
10th Div.					

GOVERNMENT WILL RETAIN A PORTION OF THE GRANT AS A RESERVE AT ITS OWN DISPOSAL, OR AT THE DISPOSAL

OF THE APPROPRIATIONS AVAILABLE FOR SUCH PURPOSES, TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROJECTS, FROM WHICH THESE ADDITIONAL GRANTS ARE MADE TO THE GOVT FOR ANY REVISIONS MAY BE REQUIRED FROM TIME TO TIME.

4. NO APPROPRIATIONS WILL BE MADE FROM THESE GRANTS TO INDIVIDUAL WORKS, THE AMOUNTS ALLOTTED TO EACH DIVISION BEING REGARDED AS THE LIMITS WITHIN WHICH THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER IS EMPowered TO INCUR EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR UPON ONLY SANCTIONED ESTIMATES UNDER EACH HEAD AND SUB-HEAD.

5. EACH EXECUTIVE ENGINEER ^{will} MAINTAIN A REGISTER IN HIS DIVISION SHOWING THE PROGRESS OF EXPENDITURE AGAINST THE GRANT TO ENABLE HIM TO WATCH THAT THE BALANCE OF THE GRANT IS NOT EXHAUSTED AND TO TAKE TIMELY MEASURES TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL FUND IF NEEDED. THIS REGISTER MAY BE IN THE FOLLOWING SIMPLE FORM.

Particulars	1944-45		1945-46		1946-47		1947-48		1948-49		1949-50	
	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual	Estimate	Actual
Salaries												
Grants												
Repairs												
Materials												
Tools												
Transport												
Light & Power												
Medical												
Food & Clothing												
Other												

6. THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE GRANTS WILL AT THE SAME TIME BE COMMUNICATED TO THE EXAMINER, WHO ^{will} MAINTAIN A SIMILAR WATCH OVER THE PROGRESS OF EXPENDITURE AND REPORT TO GOVERNMENT ALL TENDENCY TO EXCEED THE ALLOTMENTS.

THE GRANT FOR MAJOR WORKS WILL CONTINUE TO BE APPROPRIATED TO SPECIFIC WORKS AS AT PRESENT; AND THESE ARRANGEMENTS WILL NOT AFFECT IN ANY WAY THE RULES PERTAINING A SPECIFIC SANCTIONED ESTIMATE FOR EACH MAJOR WORK OR REPAIR.

OR FOR EXPENDITURE ON TOOLS AND PLANT, OF THE RULES PERTAINING TO THE MAINTENANCE OF REGISTERS AND LISTS OF SUCH SANCTIONS.

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Lyons for minor
works, repairs & etc.
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Laying out
indications in
dealing with
existing outlay
within budget limits

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