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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following papers :—

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Your Excellency's Public Works Letter, No. ¹³/_{913 W.}, dated the 23rd of March last, furnishes me with explanations respecting the apparently small outlay on communications in the Madras Presidency during 1881-82, and also informs me of the practice in the Madras Presidency in respect to the provision of residences for

both these points the explanations, which were asked for by my Public Works Letter, No. 7, dated the 22nd of February last, are satisfactory; but I point out that the information respecting the operations of the Local Fund Boards do not reach this office except through the indirect medium of the publication of annual budgets of such Boards in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

3. I have to request, therefore, that your Excellency will cause me to be annually supplied, in future, through your Public Works Department, with copies of the Local Fund Boards' Budgets, together with any further information in respect of their operations which you may consider likely to be of interest.

Official Memorandum from the Financial Department, dated 11th July 1883, No. 1299.

ORDER—dated 20th July 1883, No. 2010 W., Public Works.

The despatch from the Secretary of State recorded above will be communicated to the Financial Department, in view to the required information with respect to the operations of Local Fund Boards being in future supplied direct to the Home Government.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Financial Department.

Edw. A. F. Goodall.
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ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of 1883 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated July, 20th.

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G.O., 20th July 1883, No. 2010

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Local Fund Boards

Passing orders on despatch from the Secretary of State accepting explanation of the small outlay on communications, and requesting to be supplied with information as to the operations of Local Fund Boards.

28TH MARCH 1883, No. 946 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

No. 183.

READ—the following paper:—

Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort St. George, dated India Office, London, 22nd February 1883, No. 7 (Public Works).

The Administration Report of your Public Works Department, General and Buildings and Roads Branch, for 1881-82, has been before me in Council, and I desire to draw your Excellency's attention to one or two points which seem to deserve action.

The large appropriations from the Provincial Public Works grant of money for "Civil Buildings," as compared with the grants made for "Communications," has frequently been the subject of communication between my predecessors and the Government of India, and I observe that in the review of the Regular and Budget Estimates of "Other Public Works" for 1880-81 and 1881-82, dated 21st March 1881, Nos. 156-62 A.C., the Government of India noticed the disproportion of the provision for Communications to that for Civil Buildings in the budgets submitted by your Excellency's Government, and expressed a hope that the matter would be considered.

3. From the figures given in the present Report it would appear that the same disproportion continues, for, while Rs. 7,19,372 has been appropriated to Civil Buildings, official residences, &c., under all heads, only Rs. 3,16,746 is devoted to Communications. I again, therefore, draw the attention of your Government to the subject, in view to your taking such steps as you may deem fit for securing a different distribution in future, or offering some explanation of the circumstances which may satisfy your Excellency that this large outlay on buildings is essential.

4. With regard to the paragraphs in the Report relative to the curriculum of the Civil Engineering College at Madras, I shall be glad to be informed what steps have been taken to provide for the practical training of the students in the manner suggested by my predecessor in paragraph 2 of his Public Works Despatch, No. 18, of the 19th October 1882.

5. I also request information as to the rules under which official residences are provided in the Madras Presidency.

No. 184.

Ordered—dated 28th March 1883, No. 946 W., Public Works.

Ordered that the following reply be sent.

(True Extract.)

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

Edw. A. E. Goodall.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of 1883 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated March, 28th.

Recd.

G.O., 28th March 1883, No. 946 W.

MARCH.

Nos. 183-184.

Administration Report

Ordering that a reply be sent to the Secretary of State's remarks on the — of the General and Buildings and Roads Branch for 1881-82.

28TH MARCH 1883, No. ¹⁸/_{946 W.} PUBLIC WORKS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—to

THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

MY LORD,

In reply to your Lordship's Despatch, No. 7, of 22nd February 1883, we have the honor to observe that your Lordship is under a misapprehension as regards the expenditure on communications in this Presidency.

2. The figures quoted in the despatch under reply show merely the sums expended by the direct agency of the Public Works Department, but the great bulk of expenditure on communications is met from Local Funds, and is controlled by the Local Fund Boards, who have engineering staffs of their own. Expenditure from Provincial Funds is only incurred when the finances of the Local Fund Circles concerned are unequal to the demands upon them, and the agency of the Public Works Department is only employed when from unusual engineering difficulties, or other exceptional causes, the Local Fund Engineering staff is unable to carry out the work.

3. The actual expenditure on communications during the official year 1881-82 was Rs. 30,99,070 in addition to the Rs. 3,16,746 noted in your Lordship's despatch, making a total of Rs. 34,15,816. To this should, correctly speaking, be added the amount, Rs. 2,31,935, spent during the year on the Buckingham Canal, which, though classed under Irrigation and Navigation, is purely a work of communication.

4. Out of the sum of Rs. 7,19,372 shown by the Administration Report to have been expended on "Civil Buildings," only Rs. 98,441 was for official residences, and this includes Rs. 39,099 for the new Government House at Ootacamund.

5. No fixed rules are laid down in Madras (nor it is believed elsewhere in India) regarding the provision of official residences, but such residences are never provided unless urgently required in the interests of good administration; when provided, rent sufficient to cover interest and cost of repairs is in almost all cases recovered from the occupants.

6. The proposed improvements in the curriculum of the Civil Engineering College are under consideration in the Educational Department.

We have the honor to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

(Signed) M. E. GRANT DUFF.

(") FRED. ROBERTS.

(") ~~DAVID F. CARMICHAEL.~~

(") H. E. SULLIVAN.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
28th March 1883.

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GOVT. OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

LETTER to the Right Honorable
the Secretary of State for
India.

No. ¹⁸/_{946 W.}, dated 28th March 1883.

Administration Report for 1881-82

REPLYING to the remarks of the Secretary of
State on the — of the General and Buildings and
Roads Branch of the Madras Public Works
Department.

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Public Works
No. 17

India Office.

London, 7th June, 1883.

Sir,

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dated the 28th of March last
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His Excellency

The Right Honorable

The Governor in Council

Fort St. George.

2. On both these points the explanations, which were asked for by my Public Works Despatch No 7 dated the 22nd of February last, are satisfactory; but I would point out that the information respecting the operations of the Local Fund Boards do not reach this Office except through the indirect medium of the publication of annual budgets of such Boards in the Fort St George Gazette.

3. I have to request, therefore, that Your Excellency will cause me to be annually supplied

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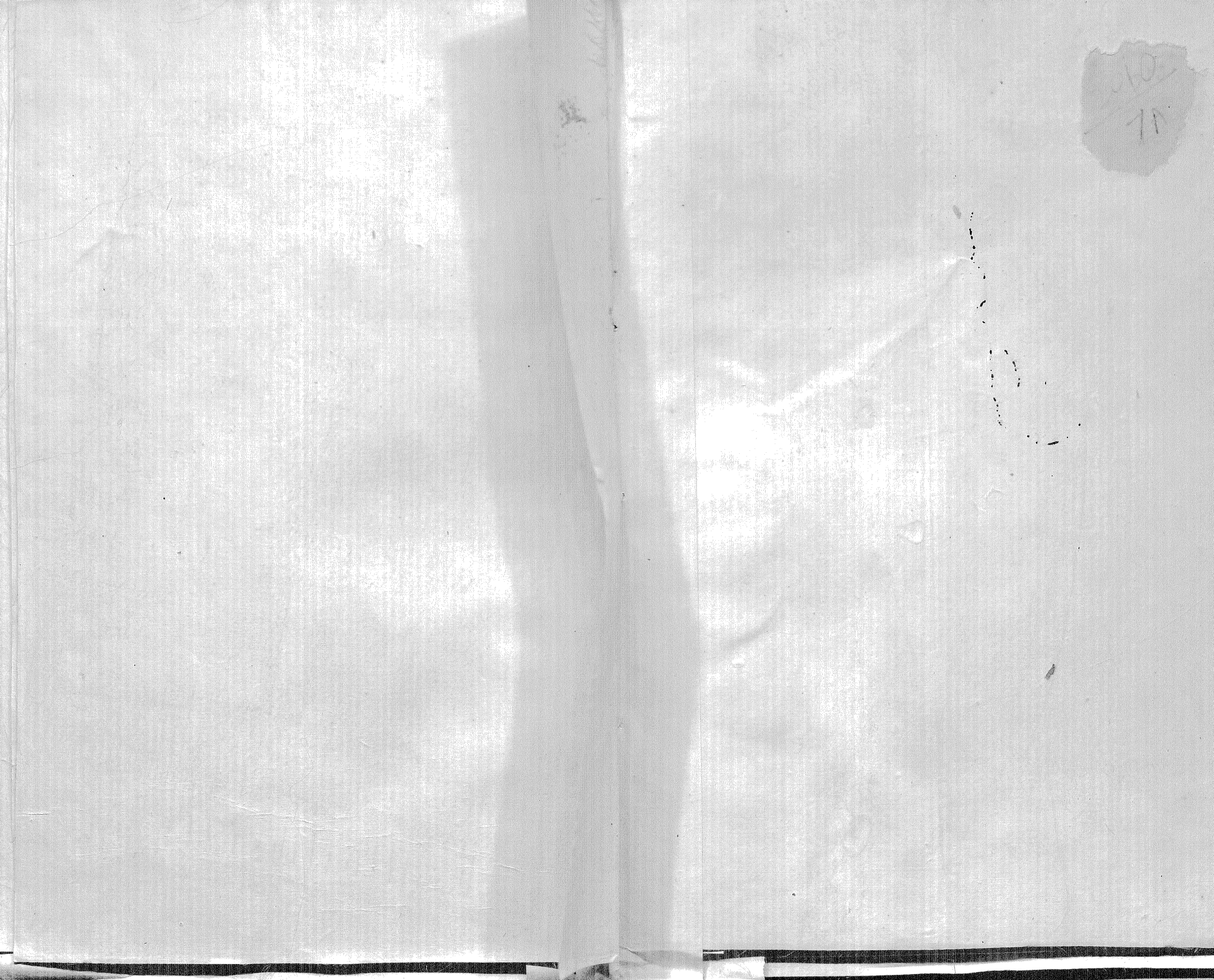
I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

humble servant.

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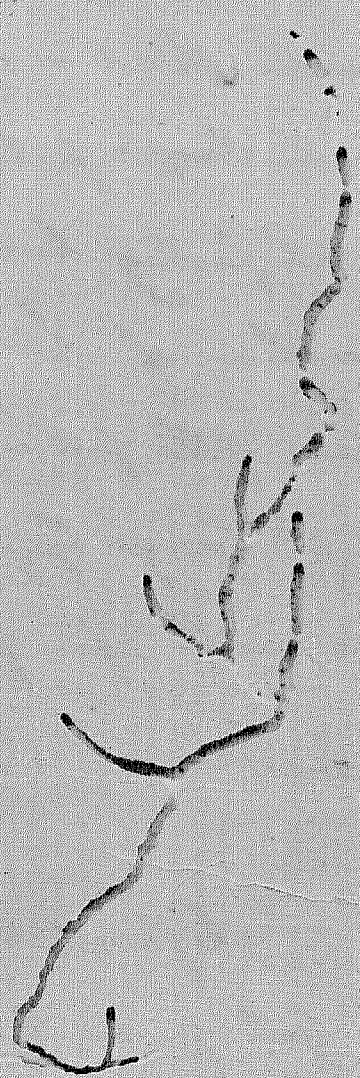
Despatch from the Lt. Gov. the Secy of State for India dated 17th June 1883
stating that the explanations submitted respecting the apparently
small outlay on Communications in the Madras Budget during 1882-83
and also of the practice prevailing in the Secy respecting provision
of precedents for offl. purposes are satisfactory, but pointing out
that information respecting the operations of L.F.B.^{rs} don't
reach him except thru the medium of the publication of annual
budgets of such Boards in the Fort St. George Gazette, requesting
to be supplied annually in future with copies of the L.F.B.^{rs}
direct.

Refer to the Chief Secy
to Govt for his opinion of opinion
as to the course which sh^d be adopted
be adopted for supplying the
Home Government through the
S.W. Dept^t with the information
asked for in regard to the
operations of L.F.B.^{rs}. Under
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under the review of the P.W.

Secretary C.

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that the Dept should
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continue the existing
system of audit.

W.H.H.

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Official Memorandum.

Noted and
Dated the 18th July 1883.

With reference to Office
Note No. 173 E. dated 4th July 1883
from the Secretary to Government,
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able course would be for this Depart-
ment to furnish the Secretary of State
annually with a copy of the for^t Order
reviewing the report of the Board of
Revenue on Local Fund operations, as
well as with copy of the report itself.

Yours faithfully

By Chief Secretary

To The Public Works Department
(with papers returned)

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N-2010 W Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 20th July 1983

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To,
 The Financial Dept.

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