

Govt. of (1881) Madras.

No. 568 Wa/21/2/83

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the Supty. Engineer
5th Circle
Dy

The M. Dept

Proceedings, dated 15/2/ 1882
No. 262 Jan

Subject.

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Sanctify certain
petty repairs
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

11th January 1882, No. 71 W.

Buildings and Roads,
Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 33. Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, paragraph 5, dated 22nd December 1881, No. 2502.

No. 34. ORDER THEREON, 11th January 1882, No. 71 W.

It is considered that before a final decision is come to in regard to the retransfer of Petty Construction and Repair Works to the charge of the Public Works Department, inquiry should be made both from Public Works and Civil Officers concerned as to the working of the present system.

2. It may possibly be found that the cause of the short outlay noticed in the Financial Department is due to Civil Officers not properly exercising their powers of sanction, and that time and practice would overcome the difficulty.

3. In any case the matter needs the fullest inquiry and most careful consideration. The views of Superintending Engineers will be submitted in the Public Works Department, and similar reports called for from Civil Officers in the Financial Department.

(True Extract.)

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

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Financial Department.

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

Gobt. of (1882) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated January, 11th.

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G.O., 11th January 1882, No. 71 W.

JANUARY.

Nos. 33-34.

Retransfer of Petty Construction and Repair Works to the charge of the Public Works Department.—Passing orders on proposal for the —.

20TH APRIL 1882, No. 330, FINANCIAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

ORDER—dated 20th April 1882, No. 330, Financial.

The sum of Rs. 10,920 has been provided by the Accountant-General in the Civil Budget for 1882-83 for Petty Construction and Repairs to Churches and Burial-grounds, but the Government resolve to raise the grant to Rs. 15,000, any difference being met from savings under the lump grant for "Petty Construction and Repairs." The following distribution will be made:—

Churches.			Burial-grounds.		
		RS.			RS.
Arcot, North	..	800	Anantapur	..	100
Bangalore and Mysore ..	..	800	Arcot, North	..	350
Bellary	..	200	Arcot, South	..	300
Calicut	..	200	Bangalore and Mysore ..	..	200
Chingleput	..	200	Bellary	..	300
Coimbatore	..	400	Calicut	..	130
Cuddapah	..	200	Chingleput	..	400
Ganjam	..	300	Coimbatore	..	120
Godavari	..	600	Cuddapah	..	100
Kistna	..	200	Ganjam	..	100
Kurnool	..	700	Godavari, Eastern Delta ..	..	200
Madura	..	100	Guntur	..	150
Mangalore	..	400	Kistna, Eastern Delta ..	..	150
Negapatam	..	300	Kurnool	..	100
Nellore	..	200	Madura	..	150
Nilgiris	..	800	Negapatam	..	100
Presidency	..	2,400	Presidency	..	500
Salem	..	100	Salem	..	300
Tanjore	..	100	Tanjore	..	100
Tinnevely	..	150	Vizagapatam	..	100
Trichinopoly	..	150	Trichinopoly	..	50
Trevandrum and Cochin ..	..	300	Trevandrum and Cochin ..	..	100
Vizagapatam	..	600	Nilgiris	..	300
			Tinnevely	..	80
			Mangalore	..	320
Total ..	..	10,200	Total ..	..	4,800

(True Extract.)

C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Venerable the Archdeacon.
" Accountant-General.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

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Gobt. of 1882 Madras
FINANCIAL

P.N. 2683/2

B/No 1154 Wd/8th May 1882.

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Officers of the P.W. Dept. for
information

Indd. R.T.

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Order, dated 20th April 1882, No. 330.

B.No. 1154 Wd/8th May 1882

Budget Estimates.—Raising the grant for Petty Construction and Repairs to Churches and Burial-grounds for 1882-83 to Rs. 15,000, and directing certain distribution of the amount.

Superintending Engineer
Enr. P.W. Accts

With order

27TH OCTOBER 1882, No. 2834 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

No. 192.

READ—the following papers:—

From the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, dated 24th January 1882, No. 28.	
From " " " Third " " 9th February " " 409.	
From " " " Sixth " " 11th " " 1866 T.J.	
From " " " Second " " 17th " " 2437 K.S.	
From " " " Fifth " " 22nd March " " 1443.	
From " " " First " " 12th April " " 11 G.L.	
From the Financial Department, dated 5th July 1882, No. 504.	
From " " " 12th " " 548.	
From the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, dated 21st August 1882, No. 347.	
From " " " Fifth " " 9th October " " 2480.	

No. 193.

ORDER—dated 27th October 1882, No. 2834 W., Public Works.

In paragraph 5 of Proceedings in the Financial Department, No. 2502, dated 22nd December 1881, the large unexpended balance of the allotments made to Civil Officers for works of petty construction and repair was noticed, and it was suggested that this was probably due to the want of time on the part of Civil Officers to attend to work of this character, which might, it was thought, be advantageously retransferred in some districts to the Public Works Department.

2. Before a final decision on the question was come to, it was considered * desirable that inquiry should be made * G.O., No. 71 W., dated 11th January 1882. both from Public Works and Civil Officers as to the working of the present system, the partial failure of which might possibly be found to be due to Civil Officers not properly exercising their powers of sanction, in which case time and practice would it was thought overcome the difficulty.

3. The letters read above are the replies of the officers concerned, which are summarised as follows:—

Superintending Engineer, First Circle.—With regard to petty irrigation works is of opinion that, where such works have already been transferred to the Revenue Department, it would be inadvisable to retransfer them to the Public Works Department, and that where they have not yet been transferred to the Civil Department (as in the Vizagapatam and Ganjam Districts) they should at once be made over, it being quite impracticable for the Public Works Department to attend properly to the wants of hundreds of tanks, while the officials of the Revenue Department are sufficiently numerous and widely distributed to attend promptly to necessary repairs. (It may here be remarked that the petty irrigation works of Vizagapatam and Ganjam have

since been transferred to the charge of Civil Officers—*vide* G.O., No. 425 I., dated 31st May 1882.)

As regards other petty construction and repair works, the Superintending Engineer considers that, while departments concerned should promptly for themselves really petty work, the limit of Rs. 1,000 is too high, and that it would be better to reduce it to Rs. 200, beyond which work often requires professional skill.

Superintending Engineer, First Circle.—States that, except in the upland taluks of his circle where the Public Works Department have no establishment, petty work can be undertaken by the department, but that at the same time it would in every way be better that such petty work should be carried out by Civil Officers themselves, who should apply to the Public Works Department for aid only in cases of extensive repairs or failure of buildings.

Superintending Engineer, Third Circle.—Would strongly deprecate any proposal to retransfer to the Public Works Department the work of petty construction and repair of civil buildings.

Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.—Considers that the present system will work well after some little time and practice, and that unless the Public Works Department be considerably strengthened it cannot undertake petty construction and repair works.

Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle.—Expresses no opinion as to the advisableness or otherwise of the proposed measure, but states merely that if the work be retransferred to the Public Works Department it will be necessary to strengthen the Presidency Division by three Overseers and one Draughtsman, and (so long as Lieutenant Falvey is in charge of the Bangalore Sub-division) by one Assistant or Sub-Engineer; and that in the South Arcot and Chingleput Divisions probably one additional Overseer will be required for each.

Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle.—Civil Officers should have no difficulty in carrying out their own petty construction and repair works; considers the proposed retransfer uncalled for, and highly inexpedient, and that it would lead to the neglect of more important work, for the due performance of which even the present strength is totally insufficient.

In the Civil Department, the majority of Collectors are in favor of making no alterations in the existing arrangement, which is said to obviate delay, correspondence, and friction, and to be on the whole economical. The only Collectors who suggest the retransfer of the work to the Public Works Department are those of Ganjam, Madras, Nilgiris, Malabar, South Arcot, and Nellore. The Board of Revenue agree with the majority of Collectors, and remark that 1880-81 being the first year in which such work was transferred to the Civil Department, no fair conclusion can be arrived at from the short outlay which then took place. The Board however have no objection to the retransfer to the Public Works Department of petty construction and repair work in districts so exceptionally circumstanced as Madras and the Nilgiris. In the former district the reason urged is that, as there is a Public Works Department establishment on the spot, the work can with advantage be executed by it; and in the Nilgiris that labor is scarce, wages high, and material difficult to procure.

4. It would thus appear that the general consensus of opinion, both among Public Works and Civil Officers, is against any general retransfer of these petty works to the charge of the Public Works Department.

5. As regards such exceptional districts as Madras and the Nilgiris, further references were made to the Superintending Engineers, and from their replies it would appear that petty works in these localities might advantageously be carried out by the agency of the Public Works Department.

6. Orders will accordingly issue in the Financial Department transferring the works in the Nilgiri and Presidency Divisions to the Public Works Department with the unexpended balances of funds during the current official year.

7. The question of increasing the staff of the Nilgiri Division will be separately considered on renewed representation after the works have been taken over, and some experience gained as to the additional work involved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Offg. Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
" the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" the Board of Revenue.
" the Financial Department.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1882) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 27th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 27th Oct. 1882, No. 2834 W.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 192-193.

Petty Construction and Repair
Works.

Orders on the opinions of Public Works and
Civil Officers regarding existing arrangements
for carrying out—and petty works in Madras
and Nilgiris to be carried out by the agency
of the Public Works Department.

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

letter from the Venerable the Archdeacon
of Madras dated 2nd February 1883 No.
630.

I have the honor to acknow-
ledge the receipt yesterday of G.O.
27th October 1882, No. 2834 W. directing
petty repairs ^{of} in the Presidency
town to be in future carried out by the
D. P. W.

I will take care that these
instructions are carried out in my
Department. At the same time I
have the honor to ask that two points
may be conceded, viz.:-

(i) That the allotments for
cleaning, planting, and repairing
Cemeteries in G.O. 20th April 1882,
No. 330 Financial, may be allowed
to be used departmentally, as hitherto
by

by the officers in charge of the several -
Cemeteries, subject to the Archdeacon's
Counter signature.

(ii) That two works, already
in hand departmentally at St. George's
Cathedral may be permitted to be
finished viz, petty repairs to Latrine
and pavement Rs. 269-1-9, and re-
-covering the Hoafsocks Rs. 450.

Order thereon 15 February 1883 No. 362/1883

Sanctioned.

(True Extract)

Sd/-y Luffman

Actg. Under Secretary

To The Venerable the Archdeacon,
" Accountant General,
" Public Works Department.

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