

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

15th November 1881, No. 2848 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following papers :—

- No. 75. Office Note from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 19th October 1881, No. 729.
- No. 75-A. Office Note to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 28th October 1881, No. 931 N.
- No. 75-B. Office Note from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 1st November 1881, No. 768.
- No. 75-C. Office Note to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 5th November 1881, No. 965 N.
- No. 75-D. Office Note from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 8th November 1881, No. 789.

No. 76. ORDER THEREON, 15th November 1881, No. 2848 W.

IN calling the attention of Superintending Engineers to paragraphs 1301, 1302, and 1670 of the Public Works Code, the Government direct that the half yearly stock returns (Form No. M 50) for the period ending 31st March 1882 be prepared with special care. The stock balances should be verified by actual count by the Executive Engineers or their Assistants; the column "market rates" should be filled in by entering the actual rates the articles may be considered to be fairly worth, and arrangements should be made, in communication with the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, for at once writing off all surplus values to either works now under execution, or if there be none, to the heads of service, *e.g.*, "Civil Buildings," "Communications," &c., for which the materials may originally have been obtained or manufactured. Stock on hand for which there is no real market, or which in all probability will not be brought into use within a year, should be sold by auction without reserve, the loss being written off to head of service as above.

2. Superintending Engineers will direct each Executive Engineer to report, through the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, at the same time to what extent the proposals of the Stock Committee have been carried out and what remains to be done, and the Examiner will report to the Chief Engineer on the 1st May 1882 what divisions have not complied with these instructions.

(True Extract.)

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

To Superintending Engineers.
„ the Consulting Architect.
„ the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, with five enclosures.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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Govt. of (1881) Madras
PUBLIC WORKS.

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS.

Dated November, 1881.

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G. O., 15th November 1881, No. 2349 W.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 75-78.

Half yearly Stock Returns (Form No. 1) of 1881.—Issued under instructions of the Superintending Engineers for the preparation of the — for the period ending 31st March 1882.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

18th February 1882, No. 447 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following paper:—

No. 72. From Major-General A. FRASER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 27th January 1882, No. 72 A.—G.

THE following points have been brought to the notice of the Government of India in the review by the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, on the balances of suspense accounts in Madras at the close of 1880-81, viz:—

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|---|------------------|
| (1) that the balance of Stock on 31st March 1881 amounted to ... | RS. 7,73,014 and |
| (2) that value of materials at site of works on the same date was ... | 76,207 |

2. With reference to the first point I am to express a hope that the recent orders regarding the reduction of stock will lead to a considerable diminution in the course of the current year in the large amount locked up in stock. In regard to the materials at site, I am to request that the Government of India may be favored with an early report on the following points:—

- Whether the materials were verified during the year by actual count or weighing.
- Whether the sum of Rs. 76,207 represents their fair market value.
- Whether the materials are likely to be utilized on works at an early date, and, if not, whether it might not be desirable to transfer them from the accounts of Works to Stock.

No. 1138.

Note by the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

WITH regard to the Stock Balance I append a statement marked A, showing by divisions the values standing on the books on the 31st December 1881 as compared with the balances reported on the 31st March 1881. You will observe from that statement that, excluding the Madras Harbour Works, which is special, and on which the balance has been reduced by Rs. 87,490, so far from there being any reduction there has been on the whole an increase of Rs. 44,948. The divisions responsible for this increase are:—

	Increase. RS.
Godavari Eastern	3,021
Do. Western	456
Nellore	188
Sungam Project	8,571
Presidency	1,139
Presidency Stores	*81,794
	95,169

* Due probably to transfer of stores from the Workshops.

2. The following are the divisions in which there has been a sensible decrease of stock :—

	Decrease. RS.
Kistna Eastern	8,091
Cuddapah	2,647
West Coast	5,335
Coimbatore	636
South Arcot	489
Chingleput	1,552
Trichinopoly	624
Tanjore	947
Consulting Architect	29,797
	50,118

3. The divisions in which there are the largest balances and in which it seems to me the stock should be brought within more reasonable limits are—

	Balance. RS.
Godavari Eastern	78,447
Kistna do.	49,084
Presidency	10,174
Tanjore	12,198
Consulting Architect	12,185
Presidency Stores	4,74,442

4. The limit for Kistna Eastern has however been fixed by Government at Rs. 48,000, although the Stock Committee recommended it should be Rs. 20,000, and Colonel Mullins appears to think that the limit for Tanjore Division should be raised to Rs. 40,000 or 50,000 (*vide* G.O., No. 915 W., dated 4th April 1881).

As regards the value of materials at site of works, the annexed Statement B gives the divisions and names of works on which there were materials at site on the 31st March 1881 as compared with the balance of materials on 31st December 1881. On the points raised by the Government of India it would be best to obtain the required information from Superintending Engineers.

(Signed) D. C. GORDON,
14th February 1882. Examiner, P.W. Accounts.

A.

STATEMENT showing the balances at debit of Stock on 31st March 1881 compared with the revised limits since sanctioned and actual balances on 31st December 1881.

Name of Division.	Balance on 31st March 1881.	Sanctioned Reserve Limit.	Balance on 31st Decem- ber 1881.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Ganjam	...	...	*38	* Accounts not yet received. This is the amount trans- ferred from Vizagapatam.
Vizagapatam	120	500	5	Includes Manufacture, 24,012 and Land Kilns, &c., 2,534.
Godavari Eastern	75,426	30,000	78,447	Includes Manufacture — 544.
Do. Western	1,579	1,000	2,035	Includes Rs. 6,594 under Manufacture and Land and Kilns.
Kistna Eastern	57,175	48,000	49,084	Includes Rs. 5,460 under Manufacture and Land and Kilns.
Do. Western	13	...	13	
Nellore	3,372	5,000	3,560	
Sungam Project	...	...	8,571	
Bellary	...	...	...	
Cuddapah	6,824	...	4,177	
Kurnool	...	...	...	
West Coast	11,547	2,000	6,212	

Name of Division.	Balance on 31st March 1881.	Sanctioned Reserve Limit.	Balance on 31st Decem- ber 1881.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Coimbatore	636	...	...	
Salem	...	...	...	
North Arcot	...	...	...	
South do.	489	...	...	
Chingleput	4,308	...	2,756	
Buckingham Canal	...	...	...	
Presidency	9,035	9,000	10,174	Includes Manufacture, 1,179.
Trichinopoly	1,648	...	1,024	
Tanjore	13,145	...	12,198	
Negapatam	3,330	3,000	3,304	
Madura	...	...	...	
Tinnevely	...	...	...	
Consulting Architect	41,982	10,000	12,185	Includes Manufacture, 7,337.
Madras Harbour	1,49,737	...	62,247	
Presidency Stores	3,92,648	...	4,74,442	
Total	7,73,014	1,08,500	7,30,472	
Total, excluding the Madras Harbour.	6,23,277	...	6,68,225	Increase 44,948.

B.

STATEMENT showing value of Materials at site of works on 31st March 1881.

Name of Division.	Value of Materials at site.	Names of Works.	Amounts on 31st March 1881.	Amounts on 31st December 1881.	Whether counted, likely to be used on works, and repre- senting fair market value.
	RS.		RS. A. P.	RS.	
Vizagapatam ..	6,965	Potinghy Ghât Add the cost of materials at site on other works on each of which the cost of materials is 2,500 and under	2,960 7 9 4,004 8 3	4,000 461	
			6,965 0 0	4,461	
West Coast ..	4,655	Government House at Norwood Combined Post and Telegraph Office at Ootacamund	1,611 0 0 3,044 0 0	*1,055 †9,841	* Up to Nov. 1881. † Up to Oct. 1881.
			4,655 0 0	10,896	
Salem ..	2,359	Marandahally Project Constructing Sick Line Stables at Remount Depot Chinnappampetty Tank	792 0 0 1,347 0 0 220 0 0	792 65 220	
			2,359 0 0	1,077	
Presidency ..	10,657	Improvements to Gun Powder Factory.	10,657 0 0	3,850	Up to Oct. 1881.
Trichinopoly ..	3,541	Constructing six Police huts at Rajim- goody Other minor works	470 0 0 3,071 0 0	470 ...	
			3,541 0 0	470	
Tanjore ..	11,069	Constructing regulating works for the Godamurty and Tirumalraj river Repairing Tanjore Palace	6,567 0 0 4,502 0 0	†1,663 ‡4,935	† Up to Oct. 1881. ‡ Up to June 1881.
			11,069 0 0	6,653	
Architect ..	36,961*	Telegraph Office Lying-in Hospital Erecting Medical School at Monegar Choultry	34,205 0 0 2,715 0 0 41 0 0	52,015 Nil. 1,563	
			36,961 0 0	53,578	
Total ...	76,207		76,207 0 0	80,999	

(Signed) D. C. GORDON,
Examiner, P.W. Accounts.

No. 73. ORDER THEREON, 18th February 1882, No. 447 W.

THE letter from the Government of India above recorded and the Note thereon by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, will be communicated to Superintending Engineers, who will submit the information called for as regards materials at site under the three heads (a), (b) and (c).

2. The orders contained in the Proceedings of Government of the 14th April 1881, No. 915 W., will be adhered to as regards the limit of reserve stock to be maintained. But the Superintending Engineers of the Second and Sixth Circles will report specially as to the limits fixed for the Kistna Eastern and Tanjore Divisions.

3. The large increase shown against the stock of the Presidency Stores Division is, it is understood, quite exceptional and due to the transfer of stock from the Workshops.

(True Extract.)

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

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

" *Cons & Architects to Govt.*

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS.

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G.O., 18th February 1882, No. 447 W.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 72-73.

Suspense Accounts.—Remarks of the Government of India on the balances of — in Madras at the close of 1880-81, communicated to certain officers for submission of the required information.

30TH JUNE 1882, No. 1649 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

No. 24.

Read the following papers :—

Letter from the Superintending Engineer, First Circle, dated 17th April 1882, No. 33 G.L.
Do. do. Second Circle, „ 23rd May „ „ 345 K.S.
Do. do. Third Circle, „ 10th „ „ „ 227.
Do. do. Fourth Circle, „ 16th June „ „ 226.
Do. do. Fifth Circle, „ 20th April „ „ 231.
Do. do. Sixth Circle „ 9th June „ „ 419 T.J.
Do. Consulting Architect to Government, „ 3rd „ „ „ 179.

No. 25.

ORDER—dated 30th June 1882, No. 1648 W., Public Works.

In their letter No. 72 A.G., dated 27th January 1882, the Government of India pointed out that the value of materials at site of works in this Presidency on the 31st March 1881 was Rs. 76,207, and requested to be furnished with a report on the following points :—

- Whether the materials were verified during the year by actual count or weightment.
- Whether the sum of Rs. 76,207 represents their fair market value.
- Whether the materials are likely to be utilized on works at an early date, and if not, whether it might not be desirable to transfer them from the accounts of works to stock.

2. The following table shows the works on which there were materials at site on the date named, and the replies of Superintending Engineers concerned to the above questions :—

Names of Divisions.	Names of Works.	Value of Materials on 31st March 1881.		Replies from Superintending Engineers to questions (a), (b) and (c).
		RS.	A. P.	
Vizagapatam ...	Potinghy Ghât ...	2,960	7 9	(a) Yes.
	Value of materials at site of other works, costing at each Rs. 2,500 and under.	4,004	8 3	(b) Yes.
	Government House, Ooty ...	1,611	0 0	(c) Yes.
West Coast ...	Combined Post and Telegraph Office at Ooty ...	3,044	0 0	(a) Yes.
				(b) Yes, with the exception of Rs. 112-2, the value of four old pattern cast-iron saddles.
				(c) Yes, with the exception of materials to the value of Rs. 247, comprising the above-mentioned cast-iron saddles and 7 brass door locks which are not required and will be sent to the Public Works Stores.

Names of Divisions.	Names of Works.	Value of Materials on 31st March 1881.	Replies from Superintending Engineers to questions (a), (b) and (c).
		RS. A. P.	
Salem ...	Marandahally Project ...	792 0 0	(a) Yes. (b) Yes. (c) The materials are not likely to be used on the work at an early date, and as they consist of bricks, broken stone, cut stone, &c., they cannot be used on other works with any advantage owing to the great distance at which works in progress are situated.
Salem ...	Sick Line Stables at the Remount Depot at Hosūr.	1,347 0 0	The whole of these materials have since been used on the work.
Salem	Chinnappamputty Tank ...	220 0 0	This is an erroneous entry as the materials had been fully used on the work before 31st March 1881, but not properly adjusted at the time. Since adjusted and completion report submitted.
Presidency ...	Improvements to Gun Powder Factory.	10,657 0 0	(a) Yes. (b) Yes, with the exception of Rs. 1,530-7-6 which represents more than the market value of certain articles. (c) All the materials have been, or will be, utilized on works with the exception of the articles valued at Rs. 1,530-7-6 which are not likely to be used.
Trichinopoly ...	Constructing six Police huts at Rajingoody.	470 0 0	(a) Yes.
	Other Minor Works ...	3,071 0 0	(b) Yes. (c) Most of the materials have already been utilized on works. The stock in the Trichy Division was cleared off the returns before the end of March 1882.
Tanjore ...	Regulating works for the Codamurty and Tirumalrajén river.	6,567 0 0	(a) Yes.
	Tanjore Palace ...	4,502 0 0	(b) Yes.
Architect ...	Telegraph Office ...	34,205 0 0	(c) Yes.
	Lying-in-Hospital ...	2,715 0 0	(a) Yes.
	Medical School at the Monegar Choultry.	41 0 0	(b) Yes.
			(c) Yes.
	Total ...	76,207 0 0	

3. The materials at site of the Marandahally Project in the Salem Division and those valued at Rs. 1,530-7-6 at the Gunpowder Factory, Madras, should be sold as soon as possible in the usual manner.

4. Ordered that a copy of these Proceedings with copy of G.O., No. 447 W., dated 18th February 1882, be forwarded for the information of the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 1649 W., dated 30th June 1882.)

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, First Circle.
" " Fourth do.
" " Fifth do.
" " Sixth do.
" Consulting Architect to Government.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

No. 26.

ENDORSEMENT—dated 30th June 1882, No. 1649 W., Public Works.

Forwarded.

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

Exd. W. H. French.
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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 30th.

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G.O., 30th June 1882, No. 1649 W.

JUNE.
Nos. 24-26.

Materials at site of works.

On the subject of —.

No. 433.

Salem Divisional Office
7th February 1883.

From,

The Executive Engineer
Salem Division

To,

The Superintending Engineer
IV Circle

Sir,

With reference to your Memo No
317 of 17th August 1882 the undermentioned
^{S.L} materials at site of the Karandakally
Project having been sold off by Public
Auction at a reduced rate and the
Amount realized credited to the work,
I have the honor to request you will
be good enough to obtain the necessary
sanction to write off to "Profit & Loss"
the difference (Rs 320-0-1) between
the Book value of the materials
sold and the sum actually realized.

Ordinary Bricks 48,400

Book value

Book value = Rs 121-0-1
 Amount realized - 90-0-0
 Difference - 31-0-1

Table moulded Bricks 5500

Book value - 330-0-0
 Amount realized - 41-0-0
 Difference - 289-0-0

Amount requiring sanction
 to be written off to "Profit
 and Loss." } 320-0-1

I have &c
 (sd) J. W. Bell
 Executive Engineer

No. 76
 W

Copy. Forwarded to the Chief
 Engineer P. W. Department with a
 request, that he will be good enough
 to obtain the sanction of Government
 under para 1662 of the P. W. Code to the
 difference between the book value of

the materials and the sale proceeds
 viz Rs 320-0-1 being written off to
 "Profit and Loss."

Camp Beypore
 14th February 1883

L. Beatty - Colonel R. E.
 Supg. Engineer 4th Circle

No 883 of 20.2.83.
No 390 of 19th Feb 83
To C

For reman No.

The loss by sale
should apparently
be written off to the
work and not to Profit
& loss?

The sale of the
materials in question
was sanctioned in G.O.
No 1649 of 30th June 82.

No 959 of 21.2.83

TO DY. N.

THE LOSS BY SALE MUST REMAIN

AS A DEBIT TO THE WORK AND SHOULD

NOT BE CHARGED OFF TO 'PROFIT & LOSS'.

2. G.O. NO. 1649 N. OF 30TH JUNE 1882

LOSS NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN COMMUN-

ICATED TO THIS OFFICE.

M.B.

DY. C.

FOR AG. C.

From
The Superintending
Engineer, 4th Circle

Dated 14th } February 1883.
Sd.

No. 76
W.

Enclosure - Nil

Materials at Site of
Marandahalli Project
work - Requesting
to obtain the sanction
of Government to write
off to "Profit and Loss"
the difference of Rs 320-
between the book value
and the amount realized
by the sale of -

To

No 659 W Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 1st March 1883
Read the following

From the S.S. Fourth Circle to S. No 76 W of 14th Feb 1883.

The loss by sale
(Rs 320---1) of the ma-
terials at site of the
Marandahalli Project
should be debited to
the work, and written
off to Profit & Loss
as proposed by the
Super Engineer.

By S 20/2

Att

23/2

S.S. Fourth Circle
Genl P.W. & L.

Despatched 1/3/83

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" 447. 18. 2. 82
" 1649. 30. 6. 82
to 390. 8 - 19. 2. 83

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No. 659 West 1st March 83