

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

No. 71.

READ—the following papers :—

Circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department (Military Works), dated Simla, 13th November 1879, No. 78 P.W. :—

The following rules for the annual inspection of fortified places, having been approved by the Government of India in the Military Department, are circulated to the Local Governments, Administrations and officers noted in the margin for information and guidance. Also to the Foreign Department for communication to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore and Coorg.

(By Order.)

(Signed) G. F. L. MARSHALL, Captain, R.E.,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ENCLOSURE.

Rules for the inspection of fortified places.

The General Officer Commanding a division, a district or a brigade, and under him the Officer Commanding the station or garrison or fort as the General Officer may direct, is held responsible for the condition of the forts situated within his command. Annual inspections of fortified places will be held under the following regulations :—

Rule I.—The senior officer of Royal Artillery of the station (not being the Officer Commanding the Royal Artillery of division or district) and the Executive Engineer of the division (if a Royal Engineer, and, if not, a Royal Engineer deputed by the Superintending Engineer) in which the fort lies will each make an annual inspection as soon after 1st January as may suit his convenience. The reports of the Royal Artillery officers (on the armament) will be submitted to the Officer Commanding the Royal Artillery of the division or district, and that of the Executive Engineer (on the defences) will be submitted to the Superintending Engineer, if a Royal Engineer; both reports for transmission to the General Officer Commanding the division or district with such remarks as may be considered necessary.

Rule II.—The report of the Royal Artillery Officer will relate only to the armament, and will describe the condition of the guns, ammunition, platforms, embrasures, &c. The annual report of the Royal Engineer Officer will treat only of the defensive work and buildings, and will be in two parts.

Part I will consist of a plan and sections through the most important parts of the work on suitable scales. Upon the plan will be given in a tabular form the following information:—

Details of armament.
Capacity and identification of the magazines.
Cubical contents of stores and tanks.
Accommodation of barracks and casemates, with the cubical and superficial space per man.

All underground drains are to be indicated, and every detail the knowledge of which is likely to be useful should be shown.

Part II will contain a detailed description of every part of the defences in consecutive order, a statement of work in progress on the defences, and of work considered necessary, and an approximate estimate of the money required for their completion.

To avoid the cost and labor of preparing the plan and detailed description of the defences every year, the plan should be lithographed or photozincographed and the description of the defences printed. The local Executive Engineer will be responsible that the copy of the plan accompanying the Annual Report is corrected up to date, and includes all additions to, or alterations of, the defences made up to within one month of the annual inspection.

Rule III.—The above-described reports should be submitted to the General Commanding the division or district not later than 15th February. He will examine them, and then not later than 15th March arrange to inspect the fort or forts, accompanied by the Officer Commanding Royal Artillery of the division or district, by the Superintending Engineer of the Command (if a Royal Engineer, if not, by a senior officer of Royal Engineers deputed by the Superintending Engineer), and by the Deputy Quartermaster-General of the division or district, and the reports and proposals contained therein will be thoroughly considered on the spot.

Rule IV.—A report embodying those described in Rule II and also the results of the General Officer's inspection, will then be drawn up in the office of the Deputy Quartermaster-General of the division or district, and submitted not later than 1st April to the Quartermaster-General for the consideration and orders of the Commander-in-Chief and ultimate submission to the Government of India. This report will be signed by the General Commanding, and also by the Artillery and Engineer officers who accompanied him on his inspection. These two officers may, if they think it necessary, append to the report their opinions when they differ from those contained in the report.

Rule V.—After the report of the General Officer has been despatched to Army Headquarters, the original reports submitted under Rule I will be returned to the officers who sent them in; that of the Royal Engineer officer will be transmitted to the Executive Engineer of the division in which the fort lies, and will be in his office for reference.

Rule VI.—The officers in whose charge the plans of fortifications remain are held responsible for their safe custody and due preservation. They will also be responsible that no unauthorised person has access to, or means of knowledge concerning, them.

Rule VII.—In the case of forts in charge of the civil authorities, they shall be subject to supervision by the Inspector-General of Military Works, or by the Superintending Engineers of the Commands in which they are situated, the reports being submitted for the information of the Commander-in-Chief and of Government.

No. 71-A.

G.O., dated 7th October 1882, No. 5354, Military.

Read—the following letter from Brigadier-General GODFREY CLERK, Adjutant-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 2nd October 1882. No. 470:—

With reference to the orders of Government marginally noted I am directed to forward, for submission to Government,

No. 7110, dated 20th December 1879.

351, " 19th January 1880.

" Calling for plans of all fortified places in the Presidency.

the accompanying plans of Fort St. George, Vellore and Cannanore, received from the Commandant Queen's Own Sappers and Miners on the 27th instant.

2. The delay that has occurred in submitting these plans has been caused by a misapprehension on the part of the Commandant Queen's Own Sappers and Miners of the instructions sent to him.

Order—dated 7th October 1882, No. 5354, Military.

Transferred with previous papers to the Public Works Department.

(By Order.)

(Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

No. 72.

ORDER—dated 12th October 1882, No. 2659 W., Public Works.

The Resolution of the Government of India recorded above will be communicated to the Superintending Engineers, Fourth and Fifth Circles, and to the Military Department, for information and guidance.

2. Plans have now been received of the Forts at Madras, Vellore, and Cannanore; and these will be lithographed and issued for record in the offices of the Executive Engineers concerned, as required by the Government of India.

3. Copies will also be furnished to the Military Department for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, }
" " " Fifth Circle, } with Plans.
" Military Department,

Exd. S. T. Austin.
Spare Copies

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

Govt. of (1882) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 12th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 12th Oct. 1882, No. 2659 W.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 71-72.

Rules for the Annual Inspec-
tion of Fortified places.

Orders on Circular from the Government of
India forwarding —.

H. W. 1519
The disposal of the
question seems to
rest with the Military
Dept. there being
no officer of the P.W.
Dept. available for
the duty?

R.S.

20/2

No 403 D of 20 Feb 80
note to C.

Your remark in para 2
of note No 52 of 19th
sent. is not quite clear.

The Officer in question
will be on special duty
in the P.W. Department
that will be the
and according to the
Department in which he

is seeing", so that
according to the resolution
passed you are whole
ly with your charge
and ^{and against the U.S.}
against the U.S., as
indeed is right, seeing
that he is performing
duties expressly belonging
to the U.S. -

It should be not
be paid in the P.W.,
his pay & commuted
allowance?

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Discrepancy

N^o 3007, dated 30 September 1879.
Resolution - By the Government of India,
Department of Finance and Commerce.

Read -

Leave and Allowances Proceedings for
March 1876, N^o 64-68.

Resolution - In Notification N^o 846,
dated 11th February 1876, the Governor General
in Council ordered that whenever a com-
missioned Medical or other Military
officer holding a Civil appointment
on Consolidated pay, which is less than
his military pay, is allowed to draw
the difference between them, he shall
draw it from the Department from
which he receives his consolidated pay.
2. In extension of these orders, the
Governor General in Council has now
further decided that, except as pro-
vided in any general or special
rule to the contrary, the emoluments
of a Public Officer from the General
Revenues shall never be distributed
between two or more Departments;
but, whatever their nature or origin,
shall be recorded in the Public
Accounts as a charge of the Department

in which he is serving.

3. These orders do not apply to any ^{pension} person or leave allowances which, under exceptional circumstances, an officer in active service may draw in addition to salary.

Ordered, that this Resolution be communicated for information and guidance as follows:-

To the several Departments of the Government of India.

To the several local Governments and Administrations.

To the Comptroller General.

To the several Accountants General and Deputy Accountants General in independent charge.

1 True copy

W. H. Miller

For Supdt. Correspondence Branch
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SUPD. ENGINEER'S OFFICE 4TH CIRCLE,

Camp Mangalore, 27th Jan'y 1883.

No.

From,

The Superintending Engineer,

Fourth Circle.

To,

The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.

Sir,

The Quarter Master General's Department having called on me to depute an Officer of Royal Engineers to visit and report on the Forts of Vellore and Cannanore, I have the honor to inform you that it would be very inconvenient to nominate Captain Posing for this duty; and to ask whether the services of the Officer Commanding the Sappers at Cotacamund could be temporarily made available for this duty, travelling allowance being granted him as to an officer of this Department.

I have the honour,
Sir,
Your Most Obedt. Servant

L. Veatchy - Secy. R.E.

Supg. Engrs. 41 Circle.

REQUESTED TO BE
RETURNED WITH REPLY

19 FEB 83

July: 1883 Sept
From The Supg. Engineer,
Fourth Circle.

No 337 C of 2 February
1883

Transferred to the
Military Department
for disposal.

Major R.E.

Under Secretary to Govt.
P.W. Dept.

From The P.W. Dept.
No. 337-C.
Dated 27th of
Sept. 31st } January 1883
Bus. 239 of 7-8/13
No. 41

No 720.

Referred to
H.E. the Commander in
Chief.

Observe that
agony to Govt.

3 Feb 1883

The Military Dept.
28 Feb

Royal Engineer Officer
to report on Forts:-
Asking whether the
services of the Officer
commanding the Sappers
can be made available
for this duty.

Transferred

No. 130

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Fort Saint George
12th February 1883.

From

BRIGADIER-GENERAL GODFREY CLERK,

ADJUTANT-GENERAL,

To

The Secretary to Government
Military Department

SIR,

In returning the letter from the Superintendent
-ing Engineer 4th Circle, addressed to the Chief
Engineer Public Works Department, referred
to the Commander in Chief under your endorse-
-ment No 28 of the 3rd instant, relative to
an officer of the Royal Engineers to visit and
report on the forts of Kellore, I am desired
to say, that the Commander in Chief does not
think it advisable that the Company of
Sappers and Miners at Cotacmand should, for
an unspecified time, be without a European
Officer, but in the event of the Public Works

Department.

No Department not being able to spare an officer
for the duty in question, His Excellency will
direct the Commandant of the (Queen's Own)
Sappers and Miners to detail a Royal
Engineer Officer from that Corps for the duty.
(The Commander in Chief however considers
that this officer, in addition to being granted
the travelling allowances of an officer of the
Public Works Department, should also have
any loss of command, or other allowance, in-
curred made good to him.

Should Government approve of this
arrangement, His Excellency will issue the
necessary orders.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. P. M. L.

Brigadier General

Adjutant General.

loss of command or other allowances
can be granted as a P.W. charge to
a Military Officer in Military
employ deputed to special duty in
the P.W. Department.

2. The general rule followed in
this Department is that the emolu-
ments of an Officer are recorded
as a charge of the Department in
which he is serving vide Financial
Resolution No. 3007 dated 30th.
September 1879, copy herewith, if
it is therefore intended to grant
the Officer in question any special
allowances, they should under the
sanction of competent authority
be charged to the Military Departt.

for Ag. C.

19/2

REQUESTED TO BE
RETURNED WITH EMPLOY

107
1883

Fort St. George
13 February 1883.

Military (1883) Department.

No 962.

Referred to the
Public Works Department
for information as to
whether compensation
for loss of Command or
other allowances will
be granted as a Public
Works charge to the
officer deputed to
the duty in question.

from

No 956

The Adjutant General.
Pmo 737 wd/7/3/83
Dated 12th February
Received 18th February

No 130

Colonel
as Secy to Govt.
Pmo 870 D of 16.2.83
No 352 D of 15 Feb/83

For remarks

No 952 D of 19 Feb/83
To W.
Enc 2

This office is not aware
of any ruling or order with refer-
ence to which compensation for

Relative to an officer
of the Royal Engineers to visit
and report on the forts of Kollase.

No 352 D of 15.2.83
No 403 D of 20.2.83

To

Military Department
as indeed is right, seeing
that he is performing a
duty expressly belonging
to the Public Works Depart-
ment.

3. Why should he
not be paid in the
Public Works Department,
his pay and Command
allowances?

Sy. W.

A. N. 888 of 20 Feb 83
No. 403
21 FEB 83

GOVT. } 1883. { P. W.
OF MADRAS. } DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Chepauk, 20 February 1883.

OFFICE NOTE.

To

C

Why

18/8/83

Your remark in para 2 of note No. 952 of 17th instant is not quite clear.

The officer in question will be on special duty in the P. W. Department and that will be the "Department in which he is serving" so that according to the resolution quoted by you his whole pay will form a charge against the Public Works Department and not against the Military

Department, and I would suggest that their offer be accepted, in anticipation of the sanction of the J. G. which can be applied for in due course.

The case is simple enough; we have no officer available for the service of the Port of Calcutta 2. Commence, and the Ant. Dept. offer to send us one provided we pay his pay 2. comm. pension for Port of Calcutta and allowance with travelling allowance under P. W. rules.

This C. says, requires the sanction of the J. G. of India -

Agreed to inform the M. Dept. & address Sd/- as per above

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GOVT.
OF MADRAS.

1883.

P. W.
DEPT.

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras,

1st March

1883

OFFICE NOTE No. 985.

To

Under the services of
the Officer are placed at
the disposal of the P. W.
Department under the same
-tion of the Govt. of India,
he will be considered as
attached to the Military
Department during the
period he is employed
on the special duty referred
to, and his pay and allowance
adjusted in the Military
Department.

C.

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The request of
the Military Department
is no more than

No 737 W

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 7th March/83

Read the following

From the S. C. Fourth Circle (H.C. No 41 of 27th January/83)
" " Assistant General (" " 130 of 12th July -)
Endd thereon by Military Dept (" " 962 of 13th -)
Office Note from the Examiner { (" " 952 of 19th -)
S. W. Acts, Madras }
do do (" " 985 of 1st March 1883)

Recorded.

2. His Excellency the Command-
-in-Chief will be requested,
in the Military Department,
to depute an officer of the
Royal Engineers on the
term stated.

Done

7/3

S. C. Fourth Circle ✓
Military Dept ✓ (H.C. No 738 of 7th March/83)
Examiner P. W. Accounts ✓
The Secretary to the Govt. of India
S. W. S.

KEEP WITH

Genl. No.

dated

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No 337. C. 2.2.83
" 382. D. 15.2.83
" 403. D. 20.2.83

Sir,

I am directed to forward certain correspondence on the subject of the employment of an officer of the Royal Engineers for visiting and reporting on the forts of Vellore and Cannanore.

2. The Examiner of P. W. Accounts considers that the sanction of the Govt. of India is necessary to the employment of an officer not on the P. W. establishment, for this duty, and I am to

request that such sanction may be given, there being no officer of the P. W. Dept available.
3. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief has been requested, in anticipation of the sanction of the Govt. of India, to detach an officer for the duty in question.

L. S.

Att

3/3/57

2900

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8th Nov

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Bho's 739.8104/7.3.83

Simon
May
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Field by Receipt Room



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