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To

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The M. Dept

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Proceedings, dated 25 May 1884
No. 217 M

Subject.

No 1446 W of 10th June/84

Copy letter from the
port of India stating
that it is not considered
necessary to make
any alteration in the
existing rules regarding
revenues for damage
or short deliveries
of port stores

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with order

Sd/- Supt. P.W. Stores

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

Resolution of the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, dated Simla, 27th June 1883, No. 1685.

Accounts and Finance—Stores.

Read—again—

Despatch from the Secretary of State, No. 39, dated 3rd August 1882, and enclosure, inquiring whether there is any objection to the adoption of a suggestion made by the Auditor of the Indian Home Accounts that when the value of damage to Government stores or of short deliveries of such stores is recoverable from freight, the returned packing accounts should be stamped or certified by the Pay Departments in India, so as to indicate that the recovery in question has been dealt with.

Read—

Resolution in this Department, No. 4312, dated 25th October 1882, referring the Secretary of State's Despatch to the Public Works and Military (Marine) Departments and to the local Maritime Governments for report as to the best means of carrying out the suggestion.

Letter from the Government of Madras, No. 110, dated 19th January 1883, stating that the best way to meet the Auditor's suggestion would be to furnish the India Office with a memorandum of deductions made from freight on account of deficiencies reported in the returned packing accounts.

Letter from the Chief Commissioner, British Burma, No. 499-71G, dated 20th March 1883, stating that there is no objection to the Auditor's proposal, and suggesting that the stamping or certifying of the returned packing accounts would be most conveniently done by the Agent for Government Consignments, where such an official exists, or by the officer receiving the consignments.

Letter from the Government of Bengal, No. 563, dated 13th March 1883, recommending the continuance of a procedure recently introduced under which the Agent for Government Consignments, in addition to certifying that the amounts drawn on freight bills are correct, specifies the deduction that have been made for loss of, or damage to, stores, and submits them to the Director-General of Stores, India Office.

Office Memorandum from the Military (Marine) Department, No. 404 S, dated 5th April 1883, and enclosures, stating that the requirements of the Auditor of Home Accounts are met by a procedure which has been adopted since December 1882, according to which the agents in India of vessels bringing out Government stores from England now submit their freight bills to the Agent for Government Consignments in triplicate, instead of, as formerly, in duplicate, and the additional copy of the bill bearing on its face the particulars of any recoveries to be effected is forwarded by the Agent to the Director-General of Stores, India Office.

Letter from the Government of Bombay, No. 4763, dated 11th December 1882, forwarding copy of a letter from the local Accountant-General proposing that the packing accounts may be marked in such a way as to show that all cases of short delivery or damage have been dealt with, and suggesting a form for the purpose.

Office Memorandum from the Public Works Department, No. 128 A.G., dated 31st May 1883, stating that the best way to meet the requirements of the India Office is to have a stamped certificate on the packing accounts as suggested by the Accountant-General, Bombay.

Resolution—

On consideration of the suggestions made in the letters quoted above, the proposal made by the Accountant-General, Bombay, and concurred in by the Public Works Department, commends itself to the Government of India. The Governor-General in Council accordingly directs that in future when recoveries are made in India for damage to, or short deliveries of, Government stores, the packing accounts returned to the India Office shall bear the following stamped certificate:—

Office of Accountant-General ... { Bengal.
Bombay.
Madras.
British Burma.

Recovered Rs. _____
Date _____

Accountant-General.

When no freight is payable in India, and no recoveries can therefore be made, a certificate to that effect should similarly be stamped on the packing accounts.

Order—

Ordered that this Resolution be communicated to the Governments of Bengal, Madras, and Bombay, and to the Chief Commissioner, British Burma, the Accountants General concerned, and to the Public Works and Military (Marine) Departments for information and guidance.

(Signed) J. E. O'CONOR,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—dated 17th July 1883, No. 1523, Financial.

Communicated to Departments of the Secretariat and the Master Attendant.

(True Extract.)

E. F. WEBSTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
„ Military Department.
„ Public Works Department.
„ Master Attendant, Madras.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of (1883) Madras.

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G.O., 17th July 1883, No. 1523.

N. 2126 waf. 2nd August/83

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Communicated to the
Genl. Supt. P. W. S. & the Supt. M. H. W.
for information & guidance
of C.B.
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Genl. Supt. P. W. S.
Supt. M. H. W.

Stores.

Communicating to Departments of the Secretariat and the Master Attendant Resolution of the Government of India, directing that in future when recoveries are made in India for damage to, or short deliveries of, Government —, the packing accounts returned to the India Office shall bear a stamped certificate.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of Madras, Marine Department,—No. 468, dated 19th September 1883.

READ the following paper :—

No. 8721, dated 8th September 1883.

From—Lieutenant J. H. Taylor, R.N.R., Master Attendant, Madras,
To—The Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

I have the honor to annex a memorandum showing a few instances where the claims for the recovery from the balance of freight payable to vessels bringing consignments from England has far exceeded the same, attended with all the difficulties which arise in such cases :—

	S.S. Clan Drummond.			S.S. Dacca.			S.S. Clan Buchanan.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Amount of one-fifth freight payable in India ...	766	14	4	165	13	2	546	9	4
Amount of claim on account of damaged stores, &c. ...	3,395	6	11	768	14	7	658	9	7

2. It was formerly the practice to make one-third of the freight of vessels from England payable in India, two-thirds being paid there; but now four-fifths are paid in England, and only one-fifth is left to be adjusted here. Hence the smallness of the amount to fall back upon in case of claims arising against the ship. I would, therefore, respectfully suggest that the old proportions of two-thirds in England and one-third in India be reverted to, and that the Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India be addressed on the subject.

Order thereon by the Government of Madras.

As the question raised in the Master Attendant's letter affects other provinces, the Government of India will be addressed.

No. 4067, dated 31st October 1883.

From—J. E. O'Connor, Esq., Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India, Dept. of Finance and Commerce,
To—The Chief Secretary to the Government Madras, Marine Dept.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 469, dated 19th September 1883, and enclosure, representing that as the claims on account of damaged stores at times greatly exceed the one-fifth freight payable in India, difficulties are experienced in effecting the recoveries from the freight due in India.

2. I am to invite attention to Financial Resolution No. 1685, dated 27th June 1883, and to enquire whether, *mutatis mutandis*, the application of the rule therein laid down will not meet the difficulties complained of. It would seem that when the amount of freight payable in India is not sufficient to cover the full amount of the claim, all that is necessary is to show in the packing accounts the balance still due after deduction of the amount of freight payable in India.

P. W. Deptt.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT.
General.

No. 409 Wd/15th Feb/84

Referred to the
General Supt. P.W. stores,
and to the Supt. Madras
Harbours Works, for report.

(Sd) J.L.S.

No. 409 Wd/15th Feb/84

Genl. Supt. P.W. Stores.

Supt. M. H. Works.

Calls for report on the present arrangements
for recoveries in India for damage to, or short
deliveries of, Government stores.

No. 153, P. W. D. Press—5-2-84—60.

Referred

PUBLIC WORKS STORE DEPARTMENT,
Madras, 19th February 1884

No. 1452 S.

From

THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

PUBLIC WORKS STORES, &C.,

To

THE Secretary to Government

P. W. D.

Chepauk

SIR,

Enclosures.

With reference to G.O. P-409th
dated 15th February 1884, I have the honor to
state that the practice observed by this
Department on receipt of stores from England
is to furnish the Master Attendant with a
certificate shewing

1st That the stores have been delivered
correct and in good order.

2nd That stores are short delivered and
the description of such stores.

3rd That stores are landed damaged
where a copy of the Pro: of Survey Committee
holding the ship liable or otherwise, is furnished.

As regards the first—If all
the stores have been received in good order, the
freight due is passed for payment by
the Master Attendant.

As regards the 2nd—If the articles
short delivered are lost, the value of such stores
is

is communicated to the Master Attendant,
who deducts the amount from the Freight bill
due to the ship.

As regards the 3rd - If the ship
is held liable for damage, the value of such
damage is deducted by the Master Attendant
from the Freight bill.

In the cases noticed in the
Master Attendant's letter recorded with the
above G.O. the S.S. "Claw Drummond" was held
liable by the Committee of Survey for Drawing
Instruments landed damaged and altogether
unserviceable - the liability was Rupees 1392-4-0
while the 1/5th freight due was Rupees 6-6-10 - In
this instance the full freight on the stores brought
out by the "Claw Drummond" for this Department
viz: Rupees 33-4-0 including exchange would not
cover the cost of damage claimed - the two other
instances noted do not relate to Public Works Stores.

The claim against the "Claw
Drummond" has been outstanding since February 1883
and has not yet been adjusted, although the damaged
articles have been replaced by the Home Government.

The suggestion of the Government
of India in para 2 of letter No. 407 dated 31st October
1883, will meet the case of the "Claw Drummond"
and all such like cases. See no difficulty in
carrying it out.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Messrs. [unclear], Captains
General Supt^g P. W. Stores

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Public Works Store Department.

From

THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

P. W. STORES, &C.,

MADRAS,

To

The Secretary to Govt.
P. W. Stores,
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No. 1452 S.

Dated

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Recd.

19th February 1884

No. 5959596 a/4 March

No. of ENCLOSURES.

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Reports on the
present arrangements for
recoveries in India for damage
to, or short deliveries of, Govern-
ment Stores.

Account kept
from the
P. W. Stores.

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No. 4414.

FROM

THE SUPERINTENDENT,

MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS,

To

The Hon: Colonel J. H. M. Shaw Stewart, P. E.
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George
MADRAS, 26 February 1884.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge
receipt of G. O. No. 40914, dated the 15th
February 1884, sent to me for report,
and to state that the adjustment of
claims for Government Stores damaged
or short delivered was hitherto effected
by the Accountant General who disbursed
the one fifth Freight payable in India
upon a bill audited by the Master
Attendant's Department. What is required
of this Office is simply to notify to
the Master Attendant, prior to his au-
diting the freight bill, the value - taken from
the London Invoice - of the stores that were
damaged or short delivered.

2. It does not appear from the corres-
pondence printed with the G. O. that any
alteration.

C.A.P.

C. Nos. 1574-1783

Probably you are dealing
with this question?
vide para 3 of India's
letter to the Chief
Secy. No. 4067 of 31
Oct. 83.

Shall we transfer
the above C. Nos. to you?

L.S.
20-2-84

C.A.W.

Our last was letter
No. 599, 10 Dec. 1883,
rather taking up a
different line -

Don't you think the
P.W. Supt. had better
go on in your dept?

The P.W. dept. seem
taking up the matter
departmentally.

So we should have
to address them -
We try to avoid having
any connection with them.
H.P.

March 1793

Buildings & Roads

To the Secretary to Govt.
Public Works Dept.

A. 144 W.

Dated 26th February 1884

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595 & 596 of 4th March/84

With C. No. 1574 & 1575

W. H. S. S. S. S. S.

Stores

Submits reports on the pre-
sent arrangements for recover-
ies in India for damages to
on short deliveries.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No 595 W

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 4th March/84
Read the following

Letter from the Genl. Supt.

P.W. Stores & H.E. No. 1452. S of 19 Feb/84

— from the Supt.

M. H. Works — " — 44. W of 26 — "

Ordered that the
Government of India be
addressed.

(H.E. No. 596. W of 4th March/84)

To
The Secretary to the
Govt. of India
P.W. Dept.

Sir,
I am directed to ac-
knowledge the receipt of

N^o 599 (marine) of 10th Dec^r 83,
Copies of which and of its
enclosure (N^o 598 of 10th
December 83) ~~are~~^{are} attached
for ready reference.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

Letter from the Government of
India, Department of Finance and
Commerce, dated Simla 5th May 1884,
No. 790.

In reply to your letter N. 599 dated 10th December 1883, I am directed to state that it is not considered necessary to make any alteration in the existing rules regarding recoveries for damage to, or short-deliveries of Government Stores. It has been ascertained on enquiry that the rules are worked in other ports without any inconvenience.

Order thereon, 23rd May 1884, No. 217 vis:-

Communicated to the
Master Attendant.

(True Extract).

Jo. Rees.

A^c Under Secretary.

70 The Public Works Department.

No 21264 27.2-8-83
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No 1446 W of 10th June/84

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Communicated
to the Genl Supt P.W. Stores
& the Supt in H. Works
the Supt in H. Works

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Govt. of 1881 Madras.

To

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The M. Dept

Proceedings, dated 25 May 1884
No. 217

Subject.

No 1446 W of 10th June/84

Copy letter from the
Supt of Judicial Statistics
that it is not considered
necessary to make
any alteration in the
existing rules regarding
memories for damage
or short deliveries
of port stores

Genl Supt P.W. Stores
Supt in H. Works
Supt in H. Works

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W. Titterton
Supt in H. Works