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7TH JULY 1884, No. 1690 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following letter from A. B. SAMPSON, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 21st June 1884, No. 743 G. :—

I am directed to acknowledge your letter, No. 1375 W., dated 2nd instant, pointing out that it is important, when increasing the Madras Engineer establishment by transfers from elsewhere, that the measure should be carried out in such a way that the interests of those officers already on the Madras list are not allowed to suffer. In reply, I am directed to state that, as a present arrangement, the plan will be followed of keeping officers so transferred on their own list for promotion, and this has been done in the cases of Messrs. Lobb and Span, lately transferred from local administrations. But it will be necessary in this case for the Government of Madras to submit to the Government of India the half-yearly promotion rolls prescribed in paragraph 67, chapter I of the Public Works Code for officers on the local administration list, and to send recommendations to local Governments for officers who were on their lists previous to transfer.

2. I am to add that if the Secretary of State sanctions further changes in the organization of the Public Works Department, care will be taken to protect the interests of the officers serving under the local Governments to which transfers have been made.

ORDER—dated 7th July 1884, No. 1690 W., Public Works.

Recorded.

2. The orders of the Government of India in respect to half-yearly promotion rolls in the case of officers transferred from foreign lists should be kept in view ; Madras Form No. 185 being submitted by officers concerned, as prescribed in paragraph 60 of the Public Works Code.

(True Extract.)

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

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Engineers-in-Chief, State Railways.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Superintendent of Works, Tank Maintenance Scheme.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

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G.O.. 7th July 1884, No. 1690 W.

JULY.

Madras Engineer Establishment

Letter from the Government of India promising that in increasing the strength of the — by transfer from other lists or otherwise care will be taken to safeguard the interests of officers already on that establishment, recorded with remarks.

17TH OCTOBER 1883, No. 2983 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following letter from G. H. W. WALKER, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 20th September 1883, No. 1254 G. :—

In reply to your No. 2230 W., dated 11th August 1883, forwarding, for sanction, a statement containing proposals for increasing the Madras Engineer establishment by four Engineers, viz, by one to increase the allowance for absentees, and by three on account of the Tanks division, I am directed to observe that all that the Government of India undertook to do at present in its No. 983 G., dated 16th July, was to increase the Madras establishment by one, so as to provide a larger allowance for absentees, at the same time reducing the sanctioned number of one of its own lists, and to provide one more officer out of its own establishment to cover this sanction.

2. It further undertook eventually to provide nine Engineers for the maintenance of the irrigation tanks, provided that, on the expiry of the present provincial contract, arrangement could be made for an annual expenditure of $4\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs of rupees on these works.

3. I am to explain that any addition thus made to the Madras establishment must be provided out of the existing establishment for the whole of India, which is maintained at a certain given strength by a known number of recruits annually obtained from certain sources. No recruits can be admitted from outside, out of the regular course, whether Royal Engineers, as now proposed by the Madras Government, or of any other class. If such admissions were allowed, the arrangements made for maintaining the Engineer establishment of the Public Works Department at a fixed strength, so as to avoid the difficulties that have hitherto arisen from irregular recruitment, would fall to the ground.

4. At present the Government of India is not in a position to provide any portion of this additional establishment, because the whole of its surplus Engineers are employed on railway surveys, a considerable number, as His Excellency is well aware, being placed at the disposal of the Madras Government itself for this purpose. Moreover, for the intermediate execution of these tank works out of the grant of 16 lakhs made by the Supreme Government, the Government of India has not only sanctioned temporary establishment, but has given the Madras Government considerable assistance in the selection of competent temporary Assistant Engineers. The Madras Government is moreover at liberty, after obtaining the necessary sanction, to appoint available Royal Engineer officers temporarily to the department for the same purpose, as observed in this office No. 742 G., dated 21st May.

5. Under these circumstances, all that the Government of India can undertake to do is to gradually increase the Madras establishment within the next four years by either transferring officers, who may become available from its own lists, or by increasing the number of recruits for Madras out of the total number arranged for the whole of India.

6. Any officer transferred now, or in the future, will carry his own rank in the graded list with him, the Madras scale being increased and the list from which he is

taken being reduced by one post corresponding to the rank of the officer. It is anticipated that the arrangements consequent on the reorganization of the Engineer establishment, now under consideration, will provide that under this arrangement neither the promotion of the officer himself nor of the other officers on the Madras establishment shall suffer.

7. In accordance with the promise referred to in paragraph 1, the sanction for the Madras establishment is now increased from 92 to 93 Engineers, that of the Local Administration list under the Government of India being reduced from 122 to 121; and, as explained in paragraph 6, the Madras graded scale will be increased according to the rank of the officer transferred, whose name will be subsequently intimated to you, the graded scale of the Local Administration list being similarly decreased.

8. The sanction conveyed in this letter has been registered as No. 3 of 1883.

ORDER—dated 17th October 1883, No. 2933 W., Public Works.

Recorded.

2. Under this sanction, the numerical strength of the Madras engineering permanent establishment is immediately increased from 92 to 93; the additional officer being nominated by the Government of India. A further eventual increase of nine Engineers for tank maintenance is promised within the next four years; the officers to fill these posts being either transferred from other provinces or appointed by recruitment from home.

3. The Government of India have already been informed that no Royal Engineer officers can be obtained locally to fill temporary posts in the department.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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G.O., 17th Oct. 1883, No. 2933 W.

OCTOBER.

Madras Engineer Establish-
ment

*Letter from the Government of India sanc-
tioning, with remarks, an increase of one Engi-
near to the —, recorded.*

2ND JUNE 1884, No. 1374 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General
Establishment.

READ again—

Letter from Government of India, dated 16th July 1883, No. 983 G.
Do. do. „ 20th September 1883, No. 1254 G.

ORDER—dated 2nd June 1884, No. 1374 W., Public Works.

The following letter will be addressed to the Government of India :—

(Here enter No. 1375 W., dated 2nd June 1884.)

(True Extract.)

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

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Gobt. of (1884) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 2nd.

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G.O., 2nd June 1884, No. 1374 W.

JUNE.

Madras Engineer Establish-
ment

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed on the importance of seeing that, in augmenting the strength of the —, the interests of the officers already in that establishment are not in any way allowed to suffer.

2ND JUNE 1884, No. 1375 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

LETTER—from

COLONEL J. SHAW-STEWART,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In your letter, dated 16th July 1883, No. 983 G, it was stated that "the Government of India would not object to applying to the Secretary of State or otherwise providing for a permanent addition of three Executive and six Assistant Engineers for the supervision of expenditure on improvement and development of the irrigation tanks in the Madras Presidency;" and in your subsequent letter, dated 20th September 1883, No. 1254 G, it was explained, with advertence to this promise, that "all that the Government of India can undertake to do is to gradually increase the Madras establishment within the next four years, by either transferring officers who may become available from its own lists, or by increasing the number of recruits for Madras, out of the total number arranged for the whole of India." It was added: "Any officer transferred now, or in the future, will carry his own rank in the graded list with him, the Madras list being increased and the list from which he is taken being reduced by one post corresponding to the rank of the officer. It is anticipated that the arrangements consequent on the re-organisation of the Engineer establishment now under consideration will provide that under this arrangement neither the promotion of the officer himself nor of the other officers on the Madras establishment will suffer."

2. What the proposed arrangements were, to which allusion was made, is not known to this Government; but I am directed to state that, unless the interests of the officers now on this establishment can be safeguarded, His Excellency the Governor in Council would prefer that the promised increase to the Public Works Department of this Presidency should be effected by adopting the second of the alternative measures quoted above. Without altogether objecting to the transfer of efficient officers from other lists, an arrangement which might occasionally be convenient, I am to state that this Government, looking to the fact that promotion in its Public Works Department is already very slow, and to other considerations, would greatly prefer to receive the promised additional aid in the shape of a larger proportion of the recruits sent out from England.

3. I am directed to add that, in the event of its being found necessary to transfer an officer to this Presidency from another part of India, it would, in the opinion of His Excellency the Governor in Council, be desirable that the name of such officer should be retained on his old list for purposes of promotion.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

OOTACAMUND,
2nd June 1884.

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Govt. of (1884) Madras.

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Dated June, 2nd.

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2nd June 1884, No. 1375 W.

JUNE.

Madras Engineer Establish-
ment.

Bringing to notice the importance attached to seeing that, in augmenting the strength of the —, the interests of officers already in that establishment are not in any way allowed to suffer.

4TH JUNE 1884, No. 1405 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following letter from A. B. SAMPSON, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 19th May 1884, No. 601 G. :—

As Mr. T. Lobb, Executive Engineer, 3rd grade, Hyderabad, who has been permitted by the Secretary of State to return to India before the expiry of his furlough, will be in excess of the number of engineers sanctioned for Hyderabad, the Government of India has decided, for the present, to lend his services to the Government of Madras, and orders will accordingly be issued for him to report himself to you for orders. He will remain on the list of the Local Administrations for purposes of promotion, which will be given by the Government of India on the recommendation of the Government of Madras.

2. I am to request that the date of his joining may be reported to this office, when the usual notification of transfer will be issued.

ORDER—dated 4th June 1884, No. 1405 W., Public Works.

Ordered that the following letter be addressed to the Government of India :—

(Here enter No. 1406 W., dated 4th June 1884.)

(True Extract.)

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

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Dated June, 4th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 4th June 1884, No. 1405 W.

JUNE.

Mr. T. LOBB

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed with reference to their decision to lend to the Government of Madras the services of — Executive Engineer, 3rd grade, Hyderabad.

4TH JUNE 1884, No. 1406 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General
Establishment.

LETTER—FROM

COLONEL J. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In reply to your letter, No. 601 G., dated 19th May 1884, I am directed to say that, as the number of Executive Engineers according to the sanctioned scale of establishment for this presidency is complete, and as, under the authority conveyed in your telegram dated 2nd May 1884, the vacancies on the authorised temporary establishment have been filled by selected Assistant Engineers of standing and experience, Mr. Lobb must, for the present, be considered as supernumerary.

2. In these circumstances, I am to suggest the advisability of recreating one of the Project divisions which have, under the orders of the Government of India, been abolished. In the lists forwarded with my letter, No. 466 I., dated 13th June 1882, there is a project for investigating the Lower Coleroon irrigation, embracing provision for embanking the lower portion of the

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* 1 Executive Engineer, 3rd grade ...	650	0	0	Coleroon river, regarding which information has been called for by the Government of India in their letter, No. 62 I., dated 17th February 1882. The project is regarded by this Government as one of much importance, and cannot be undertaken unless the services of a special officer and establishment be made available for some months, probably for a year. It is proposed therefore to place Mr. Lobb in charge of this work, and I am to request the sanction of the Government of India to the appointment of an establishment costing Rs. 1,800-8-0 per mensem,* for one year, to be met from Famine Protective Funds.
Travelling allowance ...	150	0	0	
1 Overseer ...	60	0	0	
Travelling allowance ...	30	0	0	
1 Surveyor ...	250	0	0	
2 Surveyors at 100 each ...	200	0	0	
2 Draftsmen, 1st class, at 60 ...	120	0	0	
2 Do. 2nd „ 42½ ...	85	0	0	
1 Clerk, IV class, 2nd grade ...	35	0	0	
1 Do. V „ 1st grade ...	17	8	0	
1 Messenger ...	7	0	0	
1 Do. ...	6	0	0	
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Contingencies ...	70	0	0	
Total ...	1,800	8	0	

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

OOTACAMUND,
23rd May 1884.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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Govt. of 1884 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 4th.

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4th June 1884, No. 1406 W.

JUNE.

Project Divisions

Suggesting, with reference to the proposed loan of the services of Mr. T. Lobb, Executive Engineer, Hyderabad, the advisability of recreating one of the —

16TH JUNE 1884, No. 1501 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following letter from A. B. SAMPSON, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 26th May 1884, No. 638 G. :—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 3423 W., dated 30th November last, submitting observations regarding the engineer establishment of the Public Works Department in Madras, and to state, in reply to paragraphs 2 to 4, that the Government of India has been pleased to sanction the allowance for absentees being raised from 10 to 16 per cent., which will raise the sanctioned number of engineers for the province from 90 to 95, as shown in the margin, and that endeavours will be made, as soon as possible, to send five engineers from the Government of India list to fill the increased number of posts.

2. In reply to paragraphs 5 to 8, I am to say that the whole question of distribution of establishment charges must come up for consideration at no distant date, and that if, as appears probable, it is decided to increase the percentage allowed to cover supervision of maintenance, as compared with that allowed for supervision of new work, the procedure will also be made applicable to Madras ; but that no change can, meanwhile, be allowed in the present procedure. The proposal to open up closed accounts of past years cannot be entertained by the Government of India, as it would entail an amount of inconvenience and correspondence out of all proportion to any benefit likely to result from it.

3. As regards paragraphs 9 and 10, I am to state that the Government of India cannot allow any debit to Productive Public Works Revenue in excess of a fair and reasonable percentage, sufficient to defray all *bona fide* outlay on assessment and collection of irrigation revenue. It is quite plain from Mr. Wilson's letter, appended to your letter under reply, that the 7.2 per cent. charged for assessment and collection of irrigation revenue is very considerably in excess of the real requirements of the case in all but two insignificant systems of irrigation, and the debit must, in future, commencing with the current official year, be reduced to 5 per cent., as any trifling excess of outlay over allowance on the two minor systems above referred to (Palar anicut and Chembrambakam tank) will be amply covered by the excess of allowance over outlay on the other systems.

4. In conclusion, I am to state that the further consideration of the question of distribution of establishment charges between Imperial, Provincial and Local Fund services may very well stand over until the result of the anticipated development of Provincial Public Works expenditure is known.

ORDER—dated 16th June 1884, No. 1501 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, and to the Revenue and Financial Departments, with reference to paragraph 3.

2. The Government of India will be addressed in respect to paragraph 1.

(Here enter No. 1502 W., dated 16th June 1884.)

(True Extract.)

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

To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Revenue Department.
„ Financial „

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Gobt. of (1884) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 16th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 16th June 1884, No. 1501 W.

JUNE.

Engineer Establishment

Letter from the Government of India sanctioning an addition of five engineers to the authorised strength of the Madras — and decreasing the percentage charged for assessment and collection of irrigation revenue to 5 per cent., communicated to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, and to the Revenue and Financial Departments.

16TH JUNE 1884, No. 1502 W.. PUBLIC WORKS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

LETTER—from

COLONEL J. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 638 G., dated 26th May 1884, in paragraph 1 of which an addition of five to the authorised number of engineers for this presidency is sanctioned, the allowance for absentees being raised from 10 to 16 per cent.

2. I am to express the thanks of the Madras Government for the concession thus made by the Government of India.

3. With respect to the arrangement under which it is proposed to provide for the additional posts now sanctioned, I am directed to invite attention to my letter, No. 1375 W., dated 2nd June 1884, and to say that His Excellency the Governor in Council would greatly prefer to receive the additional aid now promised in the shape of a somewhat larger annual allotment to this presidency, during the next few years, of the recruits sent out from England.

4. In the event, however, of an officer being transferred to this presidency from another part of India, I am directed to express the hope that the name of such officer may be retained on his old list for purposes of promotion.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

OOTACAMUND,
16th June 1884.

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Govt. of (1884) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 16th.

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16th June 1884, No. 1502 W.

JUNE.

Engineer Establishment

The Government of India thanked for their sanction of an addition of five engineers to the authorised strength of the Madras — and requested to fill up the additional posts either by an increased annual allotment of the recruits from England or by a transfer of officers whose names are kept on their old lists for purposes of promotion.

No. 743 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras
Public Works Department.

Simla, 21st June 1884.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge your letter No. 1375 W dated 2nd Instant, pointing out that it is important, when increasing the Madras Engineer Establishment by transfers from elsewhere, that the measure should be carried out in such a way that the interest of those officers already on the Madras list are not allowed to suffer.

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Public Works Code for officers on the Local Administration List, and to send recommendations to Local Governments for officers who were on their lists previous to transfer.

2 I am to add that if the Secretary of State sanctions further changes in the organization of the Public Works Department, care will be taken to protect the interests of the officers serving under Local Governments to which transfers have been made.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 your most obedient servant

W. Simpson

Under Secy to the Govt of India.

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Sent 12.7.84

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Letter from Govt of India (H.E. No 743 G of June, 21st 1884)

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The orders of the Govt of India in respect to half yearly promotion rolls in the case of officers transferred from foreign lists should be kept in view; Madras Form No 185 being submitted by officers concerned, as prescribed in para 60 of the P.W. Code.

*Suplt. Engineers ✓
 Chief Eng^r for S. Ry. ✓
 Chief Eng^r for S. Ry. ✓
 Suplt. of Works, S. Ry. ✓
 Examiner S.W. ✓*

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Revenue Enquiry Estate

Letter from the Govt. of India
promising that in increasing
the strength of the
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will be taken to safeguard
the interests of officers
already on that Estate
referred to in remarks.

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