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COPY OF LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
1ST CIRCUIT TO THE EXAMINER PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS MADE #3
NO 2156 O.P. DATED 30TH OCTOBER 1883.

IT SEEMS TO ME ADVISABLE THAT I SHOULD POINT OUT
TO YOU THAT THE RESULT OF G.O. NO 2474 DATED 4TH SEPTEMBER
1883 WILL MOST INEVITABLY BE THAT THE MISCELLANEOUS
ADVANCE ACCOUNT OF THE GOLAVARI EASTERN DIVISION WILL
DRIFT HOPELESSLY TO THE BAD.

(TRUE COPY)

G. E. Patton

SUPT CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

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COPY OF LETTER FROM THE EXAMINER PUBLIC WORKS
ACCOUNTS MADRAS, TO THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER 1ST CIRCLE
NO 526 S.E. 1ST DATED 21ST NOVEMBER 1883.

WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR LETTER NO 2158 G.O. DATED
30TH OCTOBER 1883, I HAVE THE HONOR TO STATE THAT THE
MISCELLANEOUS ADVANCES ACCOUNT IS AT PRESENT CLEARED BY
CHARGES TO THE PROJECT CONCERNED, WHETHER BY DEBIT TO WORKS
OR BY DEBIT TO ESTABLISHMENT, (OF WHICH THE PERCENTAGE
CHARGEABLE TO IRRIGATION IS A COMPOSITION AMOUNT) AND THAT
THEREFORE THE BALANCE AT THE END OF THE YEAR MIGHT BE
DEBITED PROBABLY TO TOOLS AND PLANT, RECOVERIES IN CASH
FROM PRIVATE PARTIES ETC FOR USE OF THE ROADS CAN BE
TREATED AS HERETOFORE.

2. IF YOU SEE ANY OBJECTION TO THIS IT WILL BE ADVISABLE
TO OBTAIN THE VIEWS OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER FOR IRRIGATION.

(TRUE COPY.)

J. B. Patton

JOINT CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

A.P.
21/12

No. 26949.9

FROM,

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

FIRST CIRCLE.

TO,

THE EXAMINER OF
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS.

DOWLAISHWERAM, 5th Dec^r. 1883

SIR,

Recd 8th Dec^r 83

*copy supplied for
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With reference to G.O. 3181¹⁰-11-83
I shall feel obliged if you will help
me in interpreting it & settling its full
scope; the matter is of some conse-
quence because on it depends whether
the Miscellaneous advance account
of the Boat Office Eastern Division
Godavari can or cannot be kept
clear see my No. 2158 G.O. d/2-11-83.

2. Is it intended that Officers
(not only of this Department but of
all Departments) when using our
Delta works Steamers may draw
mileage at the usual mileage rates
& shall then pay the boat office bill
in Cash - it seems to me that this
course is attended with difficulties
& anomalies which are best illustrated
by example - & the superiority in all ways
of the former system when the amount
of the Boat Office Bill was just charged
in the Travelling allowance bills &

paid to the Boat Office, & the officer drew half his usual daily allowance is incontestable.

3. As a first example - On 27th September I started up the River in one of the Delta Steamers to inspect works at Dumagudem & got back to Dowlaishweram on 3rd October.

* 118 miles up the River from Dowlaishweram

For the first 45 miles from Dowlaishweram, the course is taken as lying out of the Agency tracts, after that in them - My charge according to what I considered rules was

Rs 36 as shown in the margin - & the Bill for steamer according to the rates laid down was Rs 415 under the old rules this latter sum would have appeared in the Travelling Allowance bill & been paid direct to the Boat Office - under the recent

Sept on 27th }
half single allow. } 3--
at Rs 3 per diem }
On 28-29-30 }
half double allow. } 18--
at Rs 6 }
Oct 1-2 }
double allow. } 12--
for 1st & 2nd at Rs 6 }
per diem }
Half single on 3 }
at Rs 3 per diem } 3--
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rules nothing could be charged or paid to that Office & the Miscellaneous Advance account drifted to the head by the cost of all the wages fuel &c connected with the steamer during the trip - Under the last ruling (G.O 3181-10-11-83) could I have claimed 236 miles $\frac{1}{2}$ single mileage. 54^{Rs} and if so what portion of that sum would have to be paid to the Boat office?

or should I claim only the half daily allowance & let the boat office bear the whole loss? Surely the old system was the best.

4. Yet another case - On 27th October I used on duty a steamer to tow me across the River to Tizewar from which place I went on by canal in my boat towed by coolies - my claim was the usual daily allowance Rs 6. & my expenses were just as much as if I had not had to be towed across the river by the steamer - The authorized charge for the steamer was Rupees 8-12-0, under the old rules this amount would have been entered in the Travelling allowance Bill and paid direct to the Boat Office - Under the recent rules nothing could be charged & paid to the Boat Office which had to pay for the expenses connected with steamer, what course should be pursued under the last ruling (G.O 3181-10-11-83?)

5. The matter requires settling for other Departments as well as for this one.

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

C. S. S. S.
Offg. Sup. Eng. 1st Circle.

GOVT.
OF MADRAS.

1883

P. W.
DEPT.

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 26 December 1883.

OFFICE NOTE No. 1022.

To

E. I.

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I beg to submit, in original,
letter No. 2694 dated 5th. instant,
from the Superintending Engineer,
1st. Circle to my address, for dis-
posal; and connected with, copies
of that Officer's No. 2158 of 30th.
October 1883, and my reply No. 328
of 21st. November 1883.

2. The following remarks are
offered for your consideration.

3. The Superintending Engineers
letter deals with three distinct
points, it seems to me-

1. Whether any charges are to be
made to Government Officers
for the use of the Steamers
2. What travelling allowance is
to be drawn for the period
during which the Steamers
are used.
3. What the effect of the orders
in regard to clearing the
Miscellaneous Advance
Account to which the
expenses of the Steamers
are in the first place
debited.

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4. As regards the first point. In my opinion, Officers of the P.W. Department are not to be charged. Officers of other Government Departments should be charged or not according as Government may determine. For private individuals or interests, it is optional I suppose whether they use the Steamers or not, if they use them, they do so it is presumed with full knowledge of the charge to be made upon them for such use.

5. As regards the second point. Section 11 of the Civil Travelling Allowance Code clearly means that the Steamers (the means of locomotion concerned in the present case) are maintained at Government expense, and that therefore travelling allowance is granted at only half the rates admissible in ordinary cases in which Officers would have to pay for such means of locomotion. In the case then of P.W. Department Officers half daily allowance or half mileage rates are admissible. In the case of other Government Officials, if any charge is made upon them for the use of the Steamers they should in my opinion

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draw full allowances instead of only half; ^{if} no charge is made, then they should draw only half allowances.

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6. As regards the third point- In a case where charge is made and recovered, the amount should be credited to the Miscellaneous Advance Account. Where no charge is made, there can be no relief to the Suspense Account except by writing off the amount to debit of a final head-preferably Tools and Plant, as stated in my No. 328 above quoted.

DCZ
C.

AP 24/12
J.M.
I agree with the
Hammings P.W. Accounts

9/12/85

Office Note from the Examiner of
Public Works accounts N° 1022 dated
21st December 1885.

Thro' W.

N° 46 I.

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Note by the ag. Chief Engineer for Sprigs

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With reference to para 4 of the
Examiner's letter, it is ~~considered~~
Considered that officers of the Public
Works Department should not be
charged at all for the use of the
Delta steamers, but that officers
of all other Departments should
be charged according to the scale
of sanctioned charges for the use
of the steamers, which should be
paid in cash to the Executive
Engineer on receipt of the bill
from that officer. The steamers
are intended for towing boats, &c.
Conveying materials for the Delta
works, and for the use of the
P. W. officers employed thereon.
Except in cases of urgency, it is
Considered

Considered undesirable that the steamers should be diverted from their legitimate work, and as their original cost and maintenance is charged entirely to the Delta works on which they are employed it is clear that a charge should be made when they are used on work other than that for which they were bought and are maintained. It seems absurd that the Revenue account of the Delta works should be charged with the cost of conveyance of officers of all Departments many of whom have no connection with the Delta and are simply passing through.

2. As regards the question of travelling allowances dealt with in para 5 of the Examiner's letter, the allowances admissible to P.W. officers are as stated by the Examiner of P.W. accounts, but should, it is considered, be restricted to half daily allowance while those to be given to other Govt

officers, are a matter for ^{the} Financial Department to decide.

3. The third point raised is regarding the debit and credit of the expenses and earnings of the steamers respectively. The undersigned agrees with the Examiner in the views expressed in para 6 of his letter, and the Superintending Engineer should estimate what the probable amount of allotment required under Tools and Plant will be. To enable a statement showing the expenses and earnings of the steamers to be kept up as is done at present, the Superintending Engineer should maintain a register shewing the amounts earned and the charges for working each steamer.

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Koderu Lock
5th March 1884.
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J. H. att. .

Colonel. R. H.

Ag. Chief Engineer for Bridges

The as. Joint Secy to Govt.
P.W.D. S.H.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

Read the following:—

Office note from the Examiner
of P. W. accounts —

(MR N° 1022 of 21st Decr 83)

Note by the ap. Chief
Engineer for Irrigation

(MR N° 46 of 5 March 84)

The Government agree with the opinions expressed in paras 1 & 3 of the note by the acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation, and the Superintending Engineer and the Examiner of P. W. accounts will arrange accordingly.

2. Para 2 of the note by the ap. Chief Engineer for Irrigation will be communicated to the Financial Department for orders.

To The Ex of P. W. accts.
" Chief Eng for Irrigation
" Superintending Eng of 1, 2 & 3 circles
" Financial Dept
" Rev. Dept.

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of the Steamers.

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