

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
31st March 1873.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 727. From the District Engineer, Kistna District, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bezwarah, 5th February 1873, No. 20.

I HAVE the honour to enclose copy of a letter* received from the Superintendent of Police, Kistna District, on the subject of guarding cash-chests in Police stations.

* No. 25, dated 14th January 1873.

2. The Superintendent of Police informed the Officer in charge of Eastern Delta Range that he was unable to guard a cash-chest in the Kunkepad station, on which I called his attention to G. O., No. 996, dated 4th April 1871, and requested him to inform me at what stations he was prepared to guard cash-chests. His letter* (enclosed) details such stations.

* No. 48, dated 31st ultimo.

3. As the order of Government referred to above holds subordinates responsible for the loss of cash when, being in the neighbourhood of a Police station, they neglect to lodge their cash-chests with the Police, I am compelled to bring the matter to notice. The Inspector General of Police having stated that "cash-chests can only be kept in cusbah or other stations where the strength of the Police is such as to admit of a guard being regularly furnished," all that I can do is to notify the names of the stations at which the Superintendent of Police is prepared to take charge of cash-chests to Range Officers, and to request them to take measures to prevent as far as possible large cash balances being retained by subordinates when not in the neighbourhood of those stations; and this will be done at once.

REFERRED to the Judicial Department with the remark that it would be safer to lodge cash-chests even in small Police stations than outside them; the person depositing the chest for custody remaining in the immediate neighbourhood or detailing his lascars to assist the Police guard.

14th February 1873.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

REFERRED to the Inspector General of Police for his remarks.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
15th February 1873.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 728. From the Acting Inspector General of Police, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, 6th March 1873, No. C. 5.

WITH reference to your endorsement on the enclosures herewith returned, I have the honour to observe that it is a mistake to suppose there are guards at all Police stations. At cusbahs, or where there is treasure or prisoners, they are generally furnished, or some special precautions taken when either treasure or prisoners are temporarily lodged in a station-house. But at smaller places,

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formerly called sub-stations, there never is a guard, the strength of the force not admitting of it. The men are otherwise employed during the day, and could not also mount sentry at night.

2. A cash-chest would probably be safer in a Police Station looked after by Engineer lascars than out of it; but it should be distinctly understood that it remained in their charge and not in that of the Police, save where the latter furnished regular watch.

TRANSFERRED to the Department Public Works.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

10th March 1873.

No. 729.

ORDER THEREON, 31st March 1873, No. 994.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 77.

It appears from these papers that it is only at cusbahs and at large Police Stations where a regular watch is furnished that arrangements can be made for the custody of public money. It is nevertheless safer to lodge cash-chests even in small Police Stations than out of them, and all members of the department will be warned that in taking this precaution they will be expected to remain in the immediate neighbourhood and to detail lascars to take charge of the money.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To District Engineers.

„ Major R. B. Kennedy.

To the Judicial Department.

„ Inspector-General of Police.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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Govt. of 1873 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

DISTRICT ENGINEERS,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated March 31st.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 31st March 1873, No. 994.

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Nos. 727-729

Cash-chests.—Passing orders on correspondence on the subject of guarding cash-chests in Police Stations.

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

from the Inspector General of Police, No 3160 dated 6th June 1885, regarding the deposit of Cash Chests in Police Stations

Order 18th June 1885, No. 1620 Misc.

The proposal to make G.O. 31 March 1873

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No 994, P.W.D., applicable to all cases in which officers of other departments find it necessary to lodge cash in Police Stations, is approved.
26-6-85
P.W.D. 30-6-85

(True Extract)

Intendant
Chief Secretary

To

The Rev. Department with copy of G.O. 994 of 1873.

The P.W. Department ✓

The Inspector General of Police

The — " — Jail with — do —

The — " — Registration with — do —

G. O. No 994 of 31-3-73.

No. 1608 Wap 11th July/85

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(9) Govt. of (188) Madras.

To

The M. Dept

No. 1608 Wap 11-7-85

Dec 20/85

Proceedings, dated 18 June 1885.

No. 1620 M.

Subject.

Including to all Dept
No. 994 of 31st March
1873 and regarding guarding
the cash chests of officers
of other Dept who send
them to Police Station.