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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following paper :—

G.O., dated 7th December 1885, No. 6799, Revenue.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Court of Wards, dated 18th November 1885, No. 315 :—

Read—the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 18th August 1885, No. 201 G.N. :—

It appears from a letter received from the Collector of Ganjam that the budgets for the Court of Wards' estate works are prepared in the Revenue Department with reference to fasli and not official year, and that the grants for Fasli 1294 have lapsed at the end of June 1885. I think these budgets ought not to end with June, but be synchronous with those of Public Works Department. I bring this to your notice with a view to necessary orders of Government being obtained on the subject.

No. 527-E.

Referred, through the Revenue Department, to the Court of Wards for remarks.

OOTACAMUND,
27th August 1885.

(Signed) C. BOWEN, Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

Mis. No. 4556.

Forwarded to the Court of Wards for the favor of very early remarks.

OOTACAMUND,
27th August 1885.

(Signed) W. WILSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Court of Wards, dated 12th September 1885, Mis. No. 8481 :—

Read—endorsement of the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 27th August 1885, Mis. No. 4556, on that of Public Works Department, dated 27th August 1885, No. 527-E.

Resolution—dated 12th September 1885, Mis. No. 8481.

All the accounts and reports connected with the Court of Wards' estates are now rendered for the fasli year, and unless the Government are prepared to abolish this year in favor of the official year, the Court do not think it practicable or desirable to introduce the change advocated by the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, under which the official year will be substituted for only one item of charges, viz., irrigation

works, and *that* only in a few of the estates in which the works are entrusted to the Public Works Department, while the accounts of receipts and of all the other items of charges will be kept for the fasli year as at present.

2. Another objection to the proposal is that the commission payable to Government from the funds of an estate for management is calculated at one-and-a-half per cent. on the net collections after deducting certain charges, among which the expenditure on public works is included. There will consequently be considerable confusion in fixing the amount of commission if all the accounts are not kept for one and the same year.

3. The Court accordingly suggest that the Public Works Department be requested to keep separate accounts for the fasli year of the expenditure on estate works entrusted to their charge. The number of these estates is small, and the inconvenience to which that department will be put in having to keep separate accounts will probably not be great.

4. The Court beg to take this opportunity to request that the Public Works Department may be directed to furnish them with a monthly progress report of works, and also a brief annual report of the works carried out during the fasli, the amount expended, the improvements carried out, &c. It would be convenient if the reports are forwarded through the Collector of the district.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) F. A. NICHOLSON,
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with Government reference returned.

Mis. No. 5124.

Transferred to the Public Works Department in reference to endorsement in that department, No. 527, dated 27th August 1885 (E).

2. Attention is requested to paragraph 4 of the Court's Proceedings.

OOTACAMUND,
21st September 1885.

(Signed) W. WILSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

No. 675-E.

For favor of remarks whether there is any insuperable objection to the accounts of work on Wards' estates being kept for the fasli year as recommended by the Court of Wards.

OOTACAMUND,
30th September 1885.

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

Office note by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 7th October 1885, No. 529:—

[Your office note No. 675-E., dated 30th September 1885.]

The accounts of works on Wards' estates, in so far as they enter the books of this department, must be kept for the official year, but I do not anticipate much difficulty in being able to furnish the Court of Wards with an account of the expenditure on such works for any period that may be required; as, for instance, from the 1st July of one year to the 31st July of the following year, and I presume this is all the Court will require.

No. 2313-D.

From the Court of Wards' Proceedings in the file it appears that the budget estimates for estate works must be framed for the fasli year. Can this be effected?

MADRAS, (Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
12th October 1885. Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

Office note by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 15th October 1885, No. 566:—

[Your office note No. 2313-D., dated 12th October 1885.]

There is no objection to the budget estimates for estate works being framed for the fasli year, if the arrangement proposed in my office note No. 552, dated 13th October 1885, be agreed to.

Office note by Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 13th October 1885, No. 552:—

In continuation of my office note No. 529, dated 7th October 1885, I would suggest that, as the Court of Wards makes grants for the fasli year, it might, for the convenience of this department and its system of accounts and financial control, give approximate distribution of the grant to the portions of the financial years which the fasli year affects.

No. 1662-C.

Referred to the Revenue Department for favor of information whether the Court of Wards agree to the arrangement indicated in the Examiner's note of 13th October 1885, No. 552.

Attention is also invited to the note of 7th October 1885, No. 529.
The return of these papers is requested.

CHEPÁK,
20th October 1885.

(Signed) A. T. FRASER, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

Mis. No. 5882.

Referred to the Court of Wards for remarks.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
26th October 1885.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Court of Wards, with papers, in original, to be returned.

Resolution—dated 18th November 1885, No. 315.

The Court of Wards have no objection to the arrangement proposed in the Examiner's note, dated 13th October 1885, No. 552.

2. The grant for the current official year may be taken to be three-fourths of the grant sanctioned for Fasli 1295 *plus* the actual expenditure in the months of April, May and June 1885.

3. For future years, the grant for the fasli year may be taken to be the grant for the official year.

4. The Court request that they may be furnished with a monthly progress report as stated in paragraph 4 of their proceedings, dated 12th September 1885, No. 8481.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) E. S. LAFFAN,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

Order—dated 7th December 1885, No. 6799, Revenue.

Communicated to the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

ORDER—dated 18th December 1885, No. 3063 W., Public Works.

Communicated to Superintending Engineers and the Examiner of Public Works Accounts for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

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

To Superintending Engineers.
„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

„ Revenue Dept.

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GENERAL
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1885) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated December, 18th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 18th Dec. 1885, No. 3063 W.

DECEMBER.

Budget Estimates for the Court
of Wards' Estate Works

Proceedings in the Revenue Department
on Proceedings of the Court of Wards
regarding preparation of —, communicated
to the officers concerned.