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6TH DECEMBER 1882, No. 3211 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

Nos. 43 & 44.

ORDER—dated 6th December 1882, No. 3211 W., Public Works.

In Proceedings of Government in the Financial Department, No. 609, dated 22nd March 1880, it was decided that the examination of plans and estimates of such Local Fund Works as might be of too important a character to be left altogether for disposal by the Local Fund Boards should devolve upon the Chief Engineer, who would be aided by an Executive Engineer of the Public Works Department to be attached to his office.

2. All *New Works* estimated to cost Rs. 2,500 and upwards, and all *Repairs* estimated to cost upwards of Rs. 10,000, as well as such other works as might require special professional scrutiny, were required to be submitted for examination by the Chief Engineer.

3. To meet the cost of the establishment requisite for undertaking the work thus devolving on the Public Works Department, a contribution from Local Funds of Rs. 21,250 yearly was sanctioned.

4. Temporary arrangements were accordingly made by the Chief Engineer for undertaking the work, and these were sanctioned in Proceedings, No. 918 W., dated 10th April 1880.

5. The arrangements thus approved were, however, objected to by the Government of India, who considered (*vide* paragraph 5 of their letter recorded with G.O., No. 2387 W., dated 16th October 1880) "that the Madras Provincial Establishment should be so organized as to permit the Chief Engineer's Office, or the offices of Superintending Engineers of Circles, to examine all important Local Fund Projects; that for conducting these duties no special allowance should be made to any officer, but a fixed contribution sufficient to cover the services performed should be credited to the source from which such establishment is paid; and that the full contribution of Rs. 21,250 should be accepted, and the duties distributed as the Madras Government may consider desirable."

6. After some correspondence with the Government of India the principle of the proposed arrangements was agreed to, and the decision recorded in G.O., No. 1729 W., dated 14th July 1881, paragraph 10.

7. Since then the details of the scheme have been under consideration, and it has now been finally determined that the work shall be distributed between Superintending Engineers and the Chief Engineer in accordance with the principle of the Public Works Code Rules.

8. All Local Fund Projects therefore requiring in future to be scrutinized by the Public Works Department will in the first instance be sent to the Superintending Engineer of the Circle, who will be authorized to deal finally with the professional details of *New Works* estimated to cost above Rs. 2,500 and up to Rs. 5,000. Those costing above this amount will be sent forward by Superintending Engineers to the

Chief Engineer after undergoing the same examination as ordinary Public Works. All *Repair* estimates above Rs. 10,000 will be dealt with by Superintending Engineers as in the case of Public Works Repairs. Any estimate may, however, be sent on to the Chief Engineer, should either the Superintending Engineer or the Local Fund Board concerned desire the opinion of that officer.

9. To admit of these arrangements being carried into effect, it will be necessary to slightly augment the offices of Superintending Engineers and the Chief Engineer, while improving the position of the senior Clerks in the offices of the former. Extra Draftsmen on a rate of pay superior to that hitherto provided for in the Public Works Department are also allowed. It is very desirable that men of superior attainments should be encouraged to qualify for the position of Draftsmen, and it is hoped that the enhanced rate of pay now sanctioned will act as some inducement.

Should the general standard of efficiency hereafter increase, the Government will be prepared to consider the propriety of still further augmenting the scale of pay in the higher appointments open to men of this class.

10. The following increases are now sanctioned to the offices of Superintending Engineers and the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, the cost being covered by the contribution of Rs. 21,250 from Local Funds, which the Accountant-General will, under orders in the Financial Department, arrange for bringing to account with effect from the current official year:—

Superintending Engineer's Office.

	RS.	RS.
(1.) Difference between present salary of Head Clerk and that now sanctioned, viz., between 2nd Class, 1st Grade, and 2nd Class, 3rd Grade = $180 - 110 =$	70	
(2.) Difference between present salary of Second Clerk and that now sanctioned, viz., between 2nd Class, 3rd Grade, and 3rd Class, 2nd Grade = $110 - 70 =$	40	
(3.) Extra Clerk, 3rd Class, 3rd Grade, Rs. 50 to 60— <i>mean</i>	55	
(4.) Extra Draftsman, from Rs. 80 to 100— <i>mean</i> ...	90	

Total per mensem ... 255

Total per annum (Rs. 255 $\times$ 12) = ... 3,060

For six Superintending Engineers (Rs. 3,060 $\times$ 6) = ... 18,360

Chief Engineer's Office.

(1.) Extra Clerk, 3rd Class, 3rd Grade, Rs. 50 to 60— <i>mean</i>	55
(2.) Extra Draftsman (to supervise Technical Section) from Rs. 200 to 250— <i>mean</i> ...	225

Total per mensem ... 280

Total per annum (Rs. 280 $\times$ 12) = ... 3,360

Total of Chief Engineer's and Superintending Engineer's Offices ... 21,720

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
,, Financial Department.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.
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GENERAL.
ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of 1883 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated December, 6th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 6th Dec. 1882, No. 3211 W.

DECEMBER.

Local Fund Works

Plans and estimates for — to be scrutinized by the Chief and Superintending Engineers, and increases to their office establishment sanctioned.

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

Letter from the President, District Board, Pella,
dated 14 September 1885 No. 1025.

In the early part of last year a sum of
Rs. 8,750 was paid by the Buckingham Memorial
Committee to the District Board for the construction
of 2 Choultries at Ramapatam & Dugazipah
through the agency of their D.P.W.

The amount was held in deposit with
the intention of utilizing it as the works proceed
because it could not properly be incorporated
with the Local Fund. If this were done, it seems
to me that the works would become Local Fund
Projects, the estimates for which would have,
G.O. 3211 W under the rules, to be submitted to the Super-
of 6-12-82 — intending Engineers for scrutiny, thus entailing
an extra cost which the Committee have no funds
to meet. Moreover the state of the finances is
such that it would be unfair to the Committee
to make their money part of the General Fund.

But the Accountant General took objection to this procedure and desired the amount to be credited to Local Funds. This has been done by the Treasury Deputy Collector.

At my instance, the Treasury Deputy Collector again made a reference to the Accountant General enquiring if the amount could be withdrawn entirely from Local Funds without showing it in the Accounts in view to investing it with Bankers whom the Committee might nominate so that it might be drawn from time to time according to the demands of the Local Fund Engineer and the result is to show that this course is inadmissible; but the Accountant General suggests that Govt. may be asked to exempt the Local Fund Board from the payment of the charges for scrutiny as a special case.

Under these circumstances, I have the honor to request that Government will pass the necessary orders in view to avoid the necessity of submitting these estimates to the Superintending Engineer for scrutiny, treating

the works in question as entirely private.

If Government cannot allow this, the only alternative left to the District Board will be to refund the amount to the Committee in view to their investing it with Bankers, but this course will involve great difficulty because some expenditure has been already incurred on the works by way of collection of materials.

These Chuttrams, I may remark, are much wanted and will be very useful, so that it is desirable to facilitate their construction as much as possible.

Order thereon of 30 September 1885 No. 8042 L.F. Dis.

As the Chuttrams in question are not Local Fund projects, but are proposed to be built by the District Board on account of a private body, the Govt. do not consider it necessary that the Estimates should be submitted to the Public Works Department for scrutiny.

(True Extract)

To the President, District Board, Bellare.
Public Works Department
Accountant General.

M. M. M. M.
Asst. Secretary.