All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 845 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT MADRAS

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department.

Simla, 5th May 1887.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 2768 W dated 21st October 1886, forwarding a Copy of the Proceedings of the Government of Madras relative to the Competition of the third edition of the Madras Public Works Code, and requesting sanction to the grant of a month's salary to Messrs: H. M. Gaynor and J. D. L. Calder in Consideration of the heavy work entailed on those officers out of office hours.

2. In reply, I am directed to point out that it is only four years since rewards of 500/ and 200/ respectively were granted to Messrs. Anthony and Gaynor for the revision of the same Code and forms. [Finance Department no 1148 dated 3rd March 1883.] On that occasion the

the remodelling and revision was considerable, whereas in the present instance, although it is stated that the new edition is not a mere reprint, but that a number of standing orders not included in the previous edition has been added, the revision can not have involved so much labour and might it is thought have been arranged for, in the ordinary course of office duty. P.W.C. № 3799

3. Moreover, I am to draw your attention to the orders of Finance Department Resolution no 2915 dated 14th September 1885 and previous orders to the same effect, embodied in Public Works Code Volume I Chapter I section 112, the object of which is to give the Government of India the opportunity of declining or sanctioning the grant of honoraria to Government servants before the work is undertaken, and am to point out that in the present case application should have been made before the revision of the Code was commenced. R 18.5.87

4. On the above grounds I am directed to say that the Government of India is unable to sanction the grant of the proposed honoraria.

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

R M Sankey
Colonel R.E.
Secretary to the Government of India.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 18th May 1887

READ the following

From the Govt. of India U.O. No 875-R dated 5-5-87

Ordered that the Govt. of India be addressed.

P.W.D. No 1371 W dated 18 May 1887

To the Secy to the G. of I. P.W.D.

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter No 875-R. dated 5th May 1887, I am directed to request that the Govt. of India may be pleased moved to reconsider their

their refusal to sanction the grant of one months pay to Messrs H. M. Gaynor and J. D. L. Calder for work done out of office hours in connection with the revision of the Madras P. W. Code.

2. Although the previous revision had been completed only four years previously, an inspection of the second edition corrected up to 1886, will show how unmanageable the book had become for purposes of reference, & how much need there was for a new edition.

3. With reference to the remarks in para 3 of your letter, I am directed to state that Finance Dept Resolution No 2915 dated 14 Sept 1885 had not been lost sight of when the revision was ordered, but that there was then no question of applying its provisions to the projected work - it was thought that a revision of the Code would involve little more than a reprint of the second edition including all addenda and corrigenda issued up to date, and that the duty could be arranged for in the Examiner's office in the ordinary course. As the work advanced however, it was found that considerable revision of the text was necessary, inasmuch as much unnecessary matter required elimination, while numerous Standing orders rules omitted from the second edition had

to be embodied in the new edition. The index attached to the second edition moreover was very defective & required thorough recasting, while the account chapters & appendices needed re-arrangement & revision. It thus soon became evident that a third edition of the Code could not be issued within any reasonable time if the work of revision had to be attended to by the two senior accountants of the Dy's office during their ordinary office hours, & in addition to their heavy current duties; and these officers therefore of their own accord, devoted several hours daily, beyond office hours, to this special duty. It was by their close and unremitting attention to the work that the revision was completed within the short space of six months, & it is for this voluntary extra duty that this Govt desire to reward them. The revision of the index alone involved so much labour, that it was proposed at one time to give out the work for a lump sum, but this was obviated by the work being undertaken out of office hours, with the rest of the revision, by Messrs Gajapathy & Calder, assisted by fifth grade Accountant A. Tyaga Raja -

4. In producing the third edition, economy was studied in every detail. The previous edition, without the cost of Forms, cost Rs 5,500, while the

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third edition cost only Rs 1509. And while the latter was so much cheaper than the former, several improvements were effected in the arrangement & general Group of the Code.

5. In these circumstances, I am to express a hope that the Govt of India will no longer withhold their sanction to the grant of the proposed honoraria, more especially as this Govt feel convinced that the work could not have been completed in the course of ordinary duty without the entertainment of extra establishment.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

To

The Secretary to the
Govt of India, P.W.D.

Ootacamund, May 18th 1887.

SIR,

I am directed to inform you that the following telegram was despatched to the Right Honble the Secretary of State for India on the 16th May 1887:—

'Very early compliance with indent for rolled 'iron girders dated 10th

'10th February requested.
'Very urgently required.'

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

To

The Under Secretary of State
for India
London

May 18th 1887.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the following telegram was despatched to the Right Honble the Secretary of State for India on the 16th May 1887—

"Very early compliance with indent for rolled iron girders dated 10th February requested. Very urgently required".

Jdu
16/5/87.

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