

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Dowlaishweram, 10th April 1885, No. 87 G.D. :—

I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, copies of the accompanying correspondence between the Collector of the Godáviri and the Executive

Two copies of letters, Nos. 39 and 204, from the Collector to the Superintending Engineer.

Two copies of letters, Nos. 837 and 697, from the eastern division officer to the Superintending Engineer.

Engineer in charge of the Government Workshops, Dowlaishweram, relating to the preparation of plans and estimates for work not intended to be carried out at the shops.

As the workshop is a self-supporting concern I would suggest that it be permitted to charge the same percentage for the preparation of designs and estimates which every Engineer and Architect in private practice is entitled to.

2. Under the present arrangements the workshops are allowed to charge 20 per cent. on all work turned out by them ; this covers all charges, including designing and estimating, and it would meet the present difficulty if this percentage was authorised by Government to be charged as follows :—

5 per cent. for designing and estimating.
15 per cent. for execution.

ORDER—dated 11th May 1885, No. 1096 W., Public Works.

The Government do not consider that officers in charge of Government Workshops should be called upon to prepare plans and estimates of works, free of charge, unless those works are to be executed at the shops. It is considered that a charge of 5 per cent. on the amount of the estimate may fairly be made for the preparation of the estimate, and, in the event of the work being entrusted to the workshops, the charge on execution should be fixed at such a rate as will make up the usual percentage charge sanctioned for the workshops.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, I Circle.

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" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. A. Grubert.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of 1885 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 11th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 11th May 1885, No. 1096 W.

MAY.

Plans and Estimate for works

Charges for preparation of — by officers
in charge of Government Workshops.

Enclosure: 2 of Govt. No. 88 G. O. 5-11-23/37

PRESIDENCY PUBLIC WORKS WORKSHOPS,
Madras, 5th April 1887.

No. 61 W.

From

THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

PUBLIC WORKS WORKSHOPS,

To

THE *Superintending Engineer*
5th Circle
Chepauk

Enclosures. /

1 File of Papers
Complete

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of
your No. 6513 of March 31st 1887, and in reply to state as
follows:

1 A letter was received from Mr. Murphy, dated
June 30th 1886, asking for the price per ton of the proposed
Bridge in question giving his dimensions in a most rough
and impractical way. He states however that a working
plan, estimate &c, upon receipt of reply, can be sent.

2 Another letter No. 75 of July 4th 1886 was des-
patched before reply was sent. This was accompanied by
a tracing upon very superior paper with quantities. He
herein states that it is a lattice girder bridge which
he quite omitted to mention in the previous letter. He
asks again for rates and in what period work can be
completed.

3 This was replied to by No. 743 of July 10th 1886
in which the Superintendent P.W. & Workshops states
that sizes of iron required are not in stock. If the
Local Fund Engineer however desires it sizes available
will be substituted and estimate will be supplied
if

if desired, they are also given

4 The Local Fund Engineer replies in No. 206 of July 17th 1886 returning plans estimates specifications &c. and noting sizes that might be substituted.

5 The Superintendent P.W.D. Workshops replies in No. 883 of July 22nd 1886. giving the amount of the total estimate 1027.

6 The Local Fund Engineer replies in No. 258 of August 1st 1886 thanking the Superintendent P.W.D. Workshops for his tender, which he had never made, having supplied information only, and states that he has since decided upon rolled girders.

7 The Superintendent P.W.D. Workshops then submitted his bill dated 10th August 1886 for Rs 51-6-0 for estimating for the Bridge under G.O. No. 1096 W dated 11th May 1885. In his letter No. 1736 of October 19th 1886 the General Superintendent asked for payment of this bill.

8 Future correspondence on the subject represents little but demands for payment on the part of the P.W.D. Workshops Superintendent and exceedingly ill mannered refusals to pay on the part of the Local Fund Engineer. The case was then referred to the Supdt. Engineer's circle and he decided that the payment for the estimate was due. I think that this represents the whole case. I return the file as it may possibly be required.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most obedient servant

Alfred J. J. J.
Genl. Supdt. P.W.D. Workshops

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Reply to Engr. H. P. W. Workshops.

I do not think the
case is sufficiently
strong to contest
successfully - Still
the L & F Engineer

seems to have
caused a great
deal of trouble
for nothing
W.H.B.

Presidency P. W. Workshops.
THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,
P. W. WORKSHOPS,
Madras,

To The Supply Engineer
5th Circle
Chennai

No. 61 W.

Dated 5th
Despd. 5th
Recd.

No. of ENCLOSURES. 1 File
papers

Subject.

Drafts the case
describing the Workshops'
claim against the L. & F.
Engineer, Madras, for framing
an estimate for making
to him finders which he
refuses to admit, for submission
to Government.

Enc. no. 1 of Encl. no. 889. 65th N. 23 Bellary 87.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
V CIRCLE, MADRAS,
Chennai, 12th May 1887.

No. 776

From Col. R. B. Banters R.E.
THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
V CIRCLE,

To THE Chief Engineer
P. W. Department
Through the Engineer
P. W. Accounts.

SIR,

Enclosures.

In June 1886 the Local Fund
Engineer, Madras, inquired of the General
Superintendent P. W. Stores and Workshops,
the cost per Ton of Iron work for a proposed
bridge giving roughly the dimensions - and
in July. Before a reply was given to the
above the Local Fund Engineer, furnished
the General Superintendent, with an estimate
showing quantities for the several items,
a plan and a specification for the
proposed bridge.

The General Superintendent
informed the Local Fund Engineer, that
certain iron articles of sizes as per plan
were not available in the P. W. Stores
and gave the sizes of the articles available.
The Local Fund Engineer entered in red
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in his Estimate, the sizes which might be substituted for those originally entered - and the General Superintendent informed the Local Fund Engineer by letter that the cost of the Iron works for the bridge would be \$1027.

The General Superintendent made a claim on the Local Fund Engineer under I O No 1096 to pay May 26 for \$51.60 being five per cent on \$1027 the price of the Iron works the Local Fund Engineer was informed of. - the Local Fund Engineer rejected the claim - and considering that no regular Estimate was framed by the General Superintendent for the bridge works, informed the General Superintendent that the case was not in my opinion sufficiently strong to be contested successfully. But the General Superintendent had debited the \$51.60 in the Banks Shops accounts to "Profits" as money due to the Banks Shops; and if you think that the claim against the Local Fund Engineer should not be enforced. I have the honor to request that sanction may be given to the sum of \$51.60 being written off to "Profit and Loss".

Enclose in Original letter from the General Superintendent No 61 to dated 5 April 1884 giving a statement of the Case.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Yours truly &c &c
W. H. Burton
Local Fund
Superintendent Aug 4
5 Cents

From ^{18 MAY 1887}
The Supr Engineer
of Leeds

To ^{PH. 3972}
The Chief Engineer
P.W. Deptt.
Hrs. Examiner
of P.W. Accts.

Dated 12th May 1887.
Recd
Encl 1.

No 776.

Local Fund Engineer
Nelson

Describing the Work
shop's claim against
the - for framing and
Estimate for making
Iron Girders.

Endorsement No 88. B. 5.
dated 23rd May 1887.

Forwarded to the Chief
Engineer, Public Works De-
partment, with the remark
that, if Government do not
wish to keep the claim, the
entry of Rs 51. 6. 0 in the
Accounts might be cancelled.
No charge to Profit & Loss
appears necessary.

2. Apparently the proper
course for the Superintendent
of Public Works Workshops
to have taken on receipt
of an indefinite appli-
cation of this sort, was to
ask the applicant to state
definitely, whether he wished
the Superintendent to quote
prices for quantities
given by applicant, or whether
he wished to have designs
and Estimates prepared
for him, at the same time

telling him what the
charges would be in the
latter case. If the Appli-
cant only required prices,
the Superintendent should
then have confined him-

self to giving prices, and
of course the applicants
should have taken out his
own quantities and been
responsible for them.

Wm Hunter Major R. E.
Examiner & W. General
Madras.

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No 1479 way 1st June/87

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wherein the claim
has been reported
will not be pressed
the claim will
the entry in the
workshop accounts
will be cancelled
will be cancelled.

WMB
26.5.87

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27/5/87

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PWC No 3972

Major C. H. P. Christie R.E.
Esq. P. M. General
Madras

To
The Chief Engineer
Pub. Works Department
Madras

Endorsement No 88 S.E. 84
dated 23rd May 1887

No 1479 way 1st June/87
Encs: 2

Forwards Endorsement on
Encl. Correspondence
relative to the Workshop
Claim against the Local
Sund Engineer. Also
for framing an Estimate for
making Iron Girders.

SW:
may the claim
be dropped and
the entry cancelled?
JB.
26/5
Yes
WMB
26.5.87

SW
26/5