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G.O. no 2/93-94-W

Dt 21.9.1887

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General Establishment.

READ—the following letter from the Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 5th March 1887, No. 479 G.:—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 364 W., dated 9th ultimo, in regard to the Engineer and Upper Subordinates establishment of the Public Works Department in the Madras presidency.

2. With reference to paragraphs 1 and 2, I am to observe that, against the sanctioned strength of 84 * Engineer officers, there are at present 79 members of the permanent Engineer establishment, of whom 15 are absentees, so that there are 64 officers now present to fill the 73 permanent posts of the sanctioned scale of 1881,† which scale, it is observed, His Excellency the Governor does not propose to reduce. Under these circumstances, it does not seem advisable to transfer Mr. Target from Madras, and I am to say that, so long as any temporary Engineers are employed in Madras, neither he nor any other officer of the permanent establishment lent to the Madras Government can be transferred.

* See this office No. 983 G., dated 16th July 1883, paragraph 4.

† See this office No. 1250 G., dated 23rd September 1881.

3. With reference to paragraph 3, I am to invite attention to this office telegram of the 9th ultimo, which conveys the decision come to by the Government of India in regard to the whole of the temporary establishment employed in Madras, and I am to add that the employment of temporary men can only be permitted so far as to maintain the permanent scale, which may be finally decided on after a reply has been received to Public Works Department circular letter, No. 283—93 G., dated 5th ultimo, which reply is now awaited.

ORDER—dated 22nd March 1887, No. 873 W., Public Works.

Ordered that the following reply be sent:—

(Here enter No. 874 W., dated 22nd March 1887.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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Govt. of {1887} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated March, 22nd.

Read. *Encl.*

G.O., 22nd March 1887, No. 873 W.

MARCH.

Engineer Establishment

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed in reply to their observations anent the — of the Madras Public Works Department, and the suggested retransfer of Mr. Executive Engineer Target to his own administration.

25TH APRIL 1887, No. 1127 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following letter from G. H. D. WALKER, Esq., Offg. Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 11th April 1887, No. 694 G. :—

In continuation of Public Works Department telegram of the 11th instant, I am directed to state that the Government of India accepts the corrections pointed out by you in the present sanctioned scale, and notes that the scale of Executive and Assistant Engineer now considered to suffice for the Madras establishment is 81, while the present actual establishment amounts to 80.

2. In the telegram quoted above you were informed that Mr. Target, Executive Engineer, must be employed in charge of the Ramnad Estate works in place of Mr. Harington, temporary Engineer, whose services should be dispensed with. I am now to explain that the Government of India is unable at present to post Mr. Target elsewhere, and considers that, as there is an opening for him in the Madras Presidency, he should be employed in preference to a temporary Engineer. As soon as the Government of Madras is in a position to provide an officer from its regular Engineer establishment for the charge of the Ramnad Estate works, the Government of India will be willing to arrange the transfer of Mr. Target if required.

ORDER—dated 25th April 1887, No. 1127 W., Public Works.

Recorded, with reference to G.O., No. 873 W., dated 22nd March 1887, and G.O., No. 1083 W., dated 18th April 1887.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

Exd. P. L. Pereira.
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Dated April, 25th.

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G.O., 25th April 1887, No. 1127 W.

APRIL.

Madras Engineer Establishment

Letter from the Government of India accepting certain corrections pointed out in the present sanctioned scale of the —, with remarks on the proposal for the transfer from Madras of Mr. Executive Engineer Target, recorded.

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It seems to me most desirable that we should have a fixed scale; instead of a fluctuating one.
The question is what scale is necessary.
The 81 Exec.ve & Asstt. accepted by the Govt of India included the C.A; but against that we have the Cawnpore projects.
I do not think the Govt of India will have the slightest objection to our having a fixed scale, in fact I believe they are under the impression that we have one now.

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

General Branch.

Madras, 23d July 1887.

OFFICE NOTE. No. 2461 C

To C.

The under-mentioned draft notification is forwarded for ~~check and~~ publication.

NOTIFICATION.

Promotions.

The following promotions are made:—

Name.	Present grade.		Grade to which promoted.		With effect from.	Nature of promotion.	Remarks.
Mr C. J. Peters	Ex Engineer Sub protem	1st	Executive Engr Permanent	1st	15 July 1887	Permanent	Mr Brassington is to remain on his present list for promotion, & the vacancy will be filled up when he is called up.
Capt C. B. Henderson RE	Ex. Engr Sub protem	2nd	Executive Engr	2nd	— do —	Permanent	
Mr C. M. Smith	Ex. Engr Sub protem	3rd	Ex Engineer	3rd	— do —	Permanent	
Mr A. B. Todd	Ex. Engr Sub protem	4th	Ex. Engineer	4th	— do —	~~Permanent~~	
~~Mr C. W. Wood~~	~~Asst Engr~~	2	~~Asst Engr~~	~~5th~~	~~do~~	Leave 23.7.87	Jr. 786/87

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No. 491 D.

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

Ootacamund, 30th August 1887.

OFFICE NOTE.

From W.

To C

With reference to your office note No 410 dated 2nd August 1887, please see the enclosed copies of G.O.s No 873 W dy 22.3.87 and No 1127 W dy 25.4.87.

2. The Govt. of India having decided as in April last, accepted 81 as the maximum scale of Ex. & Asst. Engrs for Madras, please say whether the proposed promotion may be made.

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P.W.C. No. 700

To W.

I do not think there is any thing in Govt. of India letter No. 694 G. of 11th. April 1887, which can be held to override the ruling quoted in my first note. It does not seem that there was any question of promotions in the correspondence ending with the letter of the 4th. April last, and the mere reference to a sanctioned scale, in a matter quite unconnected with promotions, cannot, I think, be accepted as authority for regulating promotions in accordance with such a scale. Moreover the Govt. of India does not even say that the sanctioned scale is 81: it mentions 81 as the number considered sufficient.

2. I must also point out that even if the sanctioned scale had been definitely fixed, in April last, at 81 for purposes of promotion, it would now be reduced to 80, in consequence of Mr. Brassington (Consulting Architect) being definitely retained on the Govt. of India list.

3. Govt. of India letter No. 141 G. dated 27th. January 1885, printed with G.O. No. 297 W. dated 7th. February 1885, shows clearly, I think, that the intention then was that promotions should, on every occasion, be regulated by the actual number of Executive and Asstt. Engineers; and that, consequently, when the actual number is reduced by any casualty, the relative proportions of the two classes must be revised, with the result in some cases of cancelling some temporary or sub-pro-tem promotion. The orders of 1884 and 1885 have not, as far as I am aware, been modified, and there is apparently nothing for it but to act upon them, or to address the Govt. of India with a view to their modification.

C.

G.O. 297 W. 7.2.85
" 154 W. 17.1.85

Genl Extract

No. 2,497-1

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 21st September 1887

Read the following

From the Examiner P. W. Accounts. No. 410 dy 2nd August 1887.
" 513 " 7th Sept. 1887.
Do "

Ordered that the Government of India be addressed

Ac. No. 3,197 dy 30th Sept.

To

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

Sir

I am directed to request the favor of information as to the nature and scope of the instructions in para 2 of

To Mr Ewart Dy Secy

of Government of India Resolution No. 1475 G dy. 20th Decr 1884, relative to the Engineer establishment of the P. W. Department.

2 In that paragraph, it was stated that for the purposes of Government of India Resolution No. 1462 G dy 13th Decr 1884, "the division of the "whole staff of Executive and "Assistant Engineers between "two classes is to be made "on the actual and not on "any sanctioned number on "each list". That instruction was taken as the basis on which the new scale then to be adopted was to be worked out; and accordingly by vide your letter No. 1161 G dy 27th January 1885, the following was taken as the fixed scale for

for Madras: —

Executive Engineers —	Asst Engineers
1st Grade — 11	— 1st Grade — 32
2nd " — " — 11	2nd " — " — 8
3rd " — " — 13	Total 40
4th " — " — 6	
Total 41	

and since that date, promotions have been made up to that scale on the occurrence of each casualty.

3 The Examiner P. W. Accounts however now, for the first time, raised the question whether the procedure adopted here is correct, and he expresses the opinion that "Govt of India "letter No. 141 G dy of 27th Jany 1885, "shows clearly that the intention "then was that promotions should, "on every occasion, be regulated "by the actual number of "Executive and Assistant "Engineers; and that consequently, "when the actual number is "reduced by any casualty,

"the relative proportions of the
"two classes must be revised,
"with the result in some
"cases of cancelling some
"temporary or sub. pro tem
"promotions"

4. It seems needless to point out to the Government of India the inconvenience which would result from the adoption of a fluctuating scale such as that indicated by the Examiner, with the result that casualties among senior officers will in some cases cause reversions in rank among the juniors, instead of giving them looked for promotion; and I am to enquire whether the numbers given in your letter No. 111 G. of 27th January may be regarded as a fixed scale for promotion, so long as 81 Executives and

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such assistants are employed as the permanent Engineer Establishment of the Madras P.W. Department. I am to add that this figure is was accepted as the Establishment for Madras as recently as April last, vide your letter No. 694 G. of 11th April 1884.

5 The question has also arisen whether Mr Brassington, who name has been entered on the "Local Administration list" for promotion, should count against the 41 Executive Engineers allowed for Madras, or whether there should be 41 Executives, exclusive of that officer. I am to state that as an Executive Engineer has been posted to the Periyar project now being started, and that as several officers have been diverted from ordinary divisional work for

charge of Tank Restoration operations, it will be difficult to provide for all requirements, and I am to request that 81 Executive and Assistant Engineers may continue for the present to be the sanctioned scale for Madras, exclusive of Mr Brassington, ~~must especially~~ obtaining ~~but~~ as the total number of Engineers for all India will not thereby be increased.

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G.O. 21/1/ 1887, No. 2493 W / 2494

Engineer Establishments

Ordered that the Govt of India be addressed in the nature and scope of para 2 of their Resolution G.O. No. 1475 S. dt. 20-12-84 relative to the —— of the P.W.D. Dept.

Engineer Establishments

The Govt of India addressed with regard to the nature and scope of para 2 of their Resolution G.O. No. 1475 S. dt. 20-12-84 relative to the Engineering establishments of the P.W. Department

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