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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General  
Account.

READ—the following paper:—

Proceedings of Government, Revenue Department, dated 21st November 1887,  
No. 7116.

Read—Endorsement of the Public Works Department, dated 14th October 1887,  
No. 3510 U.

Abstract.—Referring certain papers in connection with the seigniorage claimed by the  
Forest Department for the stones removed from the Thiuparankundram quarry for the Vaigai  
bridge works.

Order—dated 21st November 1887, No. 7116, Revenue.

As regards the general question the Government observe that minerals (including  
stone and laterite) are included in forest products (section 2, Act V of 1882) on which  
the levy of seigniorage is permitted. The rates to be charged for stone quarried in  
Government reserved forests were fixed after full consideration, and are justified by  
the extra risk to which forests in which quarrying is permitted are exposed from fire,  
the cutting of trees by the quarry men and such like, and by the necessity for special  
protection thereby entailed.

2. The question of exempting the stone used for the Vaigai bridge as a special  
case was revised by the Madras District Board and negatived in G.O., No. 975,  
dated 14th February 1887.

3. The propriety of the levy of seigniorage on the produce of reserved forests  
taken by the Public Works Department has been recently affirmed in G.O.,  
No. 714 R.D., dated 22nd July 1887, and G.O., No. 74 R.D., dated 24th January.

(True Extract.)

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

Order—dated 7th December 1887, No. 3365 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, for information and  
guidance.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.

Edw. J. Moses.  
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GENERAL.  
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1887) Madras.  
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated December, 7th.

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G.O., 7th Dec 1887, No. 3365 W.

DECEMBER.

Vaigai Bridge Works

Proceedings in the Revenue Department passing orders on correspondence relative to the seigniorage claimed by the Forest Department for stones removed from the Tiruparamkundram quarry for the —, communicated to the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read endorsement of the Public Works

Department dated 14 October 1887, No. 3365 W., referring certain papers in connection with the seigniorage claimed by the Forest Department for the stones removed from the Tiruparamkundram quarry for the Vaigai bridge works.

Order thereon 21 November 1887, No. 3365 W.

As regards the general question the Government observe that minerals (including stone and talc) are included in forest products (S. 2 Act V of 1882) in which the levy of seigniorage is permitted. The rates to be charged for stone quarried in Government Reserved Forests were fixed after full consideration and are justified by the extra risk to which forests in which quarrying is permitted are exposed from fire, the cutting of trees by the quarrymen and such like, and by the necessity for special protection thereby entailed.

2. The question of exempting the stone used

used for the Nagar Bridge as a special case was  
revised by the Madras District Board and  
negotiated in G.O. No. 1495 dated 14 February  
1887.

The propriety of the levy of seigniorage  
on the produce of Reserved Forests taken by  
the Department Public Works has been recently  
affirmed in G.O. P. D. No. 114 dated 22 July 1887  
and G.O. P. D. No. 104 dated 26 January 1887.

(See Extracts)

Secretary to Government

To  
The Public Works Department

with copy of G.O. 245  
14-2-87 with endorse-  
ment and 3 enclosures retained.

Communicated  
to the Deputy Engr. in Charge  
for information and  
guidance

7.11.87  
J. S. Deane  
11/10/87  
12/11/87

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Proceedings of

the Board of Revenue dated 27 January 1887. No.  
No. 52 Forest, on letter from the Conservator of Forests  
Southern Circle, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue  
Madras, dated 7 January 1887, No. 2294.

In reply to Board's Proceedings, Serial No.  
147, Routine of 22 December forwarding G.O. Rev.  
Department No. 1573 of 18th Idem, I have the honor to  
state that I confess I see no reason why Govern-  
ment in this Department should make the District  
Board a present of a parcel of Rs. 3000  
by exempting them or their contractors from pay-  
ment of the prescribed seigniorage on stone quarried  
within the limits of Reserved Lands.

2 In view of the demand for a 2 1/2 lakh sum  
plus from 'Forests' I regret that I cannot re-  
commend such a concession and it appears to me  
that District Boards expect too much from  
us. On the one hand they claim as private or  
independent bodies in yards for such District and  
and other notable measures while on the other

3 enclosures  
retained

they appeal to government in forma pauperis  
for remissions such as that under reference.

Resolution

Submitted to Government, with  
reference to G.O. dated 16 December 1886. Misc.  
No. 4593.

2 The total cost of the bridge is  
estimated at Rupees 240,000 of which Rupees  
15,000, or one sixteenth only are to be spent in the  
current year. if anything like the same proportion  
is maintained, the yearly addition on account of  
quarrying fees will be less than Rs. 200 for  
the current year. this Rupees 200 can probably  
be met from the estimated balance of  
Rupees 20,000 in future years, it can pro-  
bably be provided without difficulty.

3 The Board therefore do not  
think that any specially hard case has  
been made out by the Local Board  
Boards.

Order thereon 14 February 1887 No. 975.

The Government cannot  
comply

comply with the request of the District Board  
Madras.

True Extracts

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(Signed) J. H. Pries

By Secretary to Government

(True copy)

Secretary to Government

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Vaigai Bridge Sub Div Office  
Madura Dated 27<sup>th</sup> Sep/87  
Super 18<sup>th</sup>

To The Executive Engineer  
Vaigai Bridge Works  
Madura  
To The Superintending Engineer  
M Circle  
Trichinopoly

Sir, I have the honor to report that in making out data for the cost of the various classes of stone work I made no allowance for scigniorage to be paid to the Forest Department for quarrying as I considered that any such charge should be borne by the contractor and should have been included in his tendered rate. It appears however that the Local Fund Board have promised that the contractor should not be liable for this scigniorage and at first applied to be exempted.

This was refused then and they have now asked me to pay scigniorage - on first hearing of this I objected to the charge altogether on the ground that I could only charge the scigniorage to the rate of the stone supplied - that that rate was already very high and that I had made my data on the assumption that that charge was to be

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discharge is one which ought to be allowed  
 at all; Stems can hardly be called a  
 forest product, and since it is a  
 domestic affair to be a legitimate  
 source of revenue for the forest depart-  
 ment, which has nothing to do with  
 either its production or consumption.  
 Moreover, it is thought that the  
 work in question having been handed  
 over to this Department for execution  
 should be placed in all respects on  
 the same footing as an ordinary  
 public work, and it is certain that  
 for such a work no disbursement would  
 be allowed to be paid.

Pending orders on the subject  
 the Executive Engineer has been  
 instructed to defer payment.

J. B. S.

Lieut Col R. E.

Superintending Engineer, C. E.

The Madras  
 4th October 1887

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Enclosures. 7

1. Madras District Forest  
 Sheet dated  
 12 June 1886.

1. copy of go no. 7593  
 16-12-86

1. — do — no. 369 S. H.

1. copy of letter 23-2-87  
 from the D. Forest  
 Officer, Madras,  
 to the President, D. Board,  
 Madras. no. 704  
 7-7-87.

1. original letter from the  
 D. Forest Officer to the President  
 D. B. no. 1355  
 1-8-87.

1. Draft letter from the Executive  
 Engineer, Vaigai Bridge works to  
 the President no. 416  
 26-8-87.

1. original letter from the Pre-  
 sident to the Executive Engineer,  
 Vaigai Bridge works. no. 761  
 5-9-87.

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P. W. Dept  
To be returned with  
reply

3510 of 10 October 1897  
The Sup<sup>r</sup> Engineer  
Refer to letter of 22  
b'c'lo.

Revd. Department  
To the Chief Engineer  
P. W. D.  
for consideration

See actual balance of 29 6 37. In D.  
See to Govt P. W. Dept. dated 4<sup>th</sup> October 1897  
Rail.

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in connection with  
the railway  
for the stone removed from  
the Simpragundam  
Leaving for Vaigai Bridge  
works —

Submits for orders certain  
papers in connection with  
the railway claimed  
by the Forest Department  
for the stone removed from  
the Simpragundam  
Leaving for Vaigai Bridge  
works —

8-11-1897

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Book of 1887

Public Works

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207 Near 3065 W

Vauja Bridge works

Pm in the Forest Dept  
copying orders on correspondence  
relative to  
the Requisition claimed  
by the Forest Dept  
for stones removed  
from the Tripuranguan  
drain Quarry for the  
and the Tripuranguan  
to 7 mile.

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