

S. O. A No 137 W of 14-1-88.  
" 137 W of 11-5-88.  
" 2517 W of 23-9-87.  
" 1549 W of 9-6-87.  
B 3130 W of 5-10-87.  
A 1679 W of 2-7-86.  
" 202 W of 25-1-86.  
" 20 W of 7-1-87.  
" 3983 W of 15-12-88.

Mem 12589

Sanction to the local purchase of gunpowder is unnecessary under the No. 1380 W of 11<sup>th</sup> May 1883. } G.O.'s marginally noted.  
" 2517 W of 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 1887 }  
" 137 W of 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 1888 }  
From, The Suptg. Engineer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Circle.

The Chief Engineer, P. W. D.

Dated 1<sup>st</sup> December 1888.



2. As the cost of the other articles entered in the list is less than 50 Rupees, they may be purchased without the sanction of Govt. under G.O. No. 1549 W of 9<sup>th</sup> June 1887.

No. 1978 H.

Encls: 1.

B. No. 3983 W of 15-12-88

Stores manufactured in Europe, but to be purchased in India for the Quarter ending 31<sup>st</sup> Decr 1888 in the Division Eastern &c - Forwards for Govt's sanction a statement of

S. E. H. (encl)  
D 15/12

B 15/12  
11-11-88

12-12-88  
15/12/88  
18/12

With order

Stores Manufactured in Europe, but to be purchased in India under paragraph 3 of Government of India Financial Resolution 12/85 dated 11<sup>th</sup> January 1883 required for the quarter ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 1888.

| Description<br>or stock of stores | Number or Quantity | Actual Cost in India  |                    |          |            | Estimated Cost if obtained in India |                    |          |            | Remarks |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|---------|
|                                   |                    | Average price or rate | Incidental charges | Carriage | Total Cost | Average price or rate               | Incidental charges | Carriage | Total Cost |         |
| <u>Small Stores</u>               |                    |                       |                    |          |            |                                     |                    |          |            |         |
| Glass panes 12x18"                | 74                 | 0.120                 |                    |          | 18.00      |                                     |                    |          |            |         |
|                                   |                    | 24                    |                    |          |            |                                     |                    |          |            |         |
| <u>Miscellaneous</u>              |                    |                       |                    |          |            |                                     |                    |          |            |         |
| Gunpowder — lbs                   | 150                | 1.80                  |                    |          | 270.00     |                                     |                    |          |            |         |
|                                   |                    | the                   |                    |          |            |                                     |                    |          |            |         |
| Chalk — lbs                       | 100                | 1.10                  |                    |          | 110.00     | 0.83                                | 1.04               | 1.79     |            |         |
|                                   |                    | per                   |                    |          |            | cost                                |                    |          |            |         |
|                                   |                    | ms                    |                    |          |            |                                     |                    |          |            |         |
| Total                             |                    |                       |                    |          |            | 247.40                              |                    |          |            |         |

\* Miscellaneous and carriage  
 with the Panes  
 \* What value the  
 Gun powder is

1. These articles are to be purchased  
 being necessary. Clause 2 para 1 of G.O. of 1679th  
 dated 2nd July 1886  
 \* 2. The average rate includes the incidental

\* Measles and other  
with the Parks  
What other the  
Gunpowder

- These articles are to be purchased being necessary. Clause 2 para 1 of G.O. 116796 dated 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1886
- The average rate includes the incidental charges.
- These articles not having been mentioned in the list of stores circulated, the estimate cost is not entered.

Actual Eastern Division Office  
27<sup>th</sup> November 1888

Sd/ A. M. Haynes  
Executive Engineer

22/11/88  
Executive Engineer  
H. Circle

Enclos: to S. E. no 1978 No  
1-12-88

10/12/88

Enclosure 1.

No 1978 No.

Superintending Engineer's  
Office, II Circle.  
1<sup>st</sup> December 1887

From

A. B. Todd Esq.

Executive Engineer with,  
II Circle

To

The Chief Engineer,  
Public Works Depart.,  
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward  
herewith for your approval and  
sanction of Government a state-  
ment of stores manufactured  
in Europe, but to be purchased  
in India during the quarter  
ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 1888.

I have the honor to be

Si  
Your Most Obedt Servt

am Ld.

Executive Engineer with  
II Circle

30/11/88

S. O. A No 137 W of 14-1-88.  
137 W of 11-5-88.  
257 W of 23-9-87.

GENERAL.  
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1888) Madras.  
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January, 14th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 14th Jan. 1888, No. 137 W.

JANUARY.

Explosives

Resolution of the Government of India  
authorising the purchase of — in India,  
communicated to officers of the Public  
Works Department.

With order

S. O. A No 137 W of 14-1-88.  
1370 W of 11-5-88.  
2517 W of 23-9-87.

14TH JANUARY 1888, No. 137 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.  
Account.

READ—the following papers :—

Resolution of the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce,  
(Accounts, &c.—Stores), dated Calcutta, 26th December 1887, No. 6809.

Read—

Endorsement by the Government of Madras, No. 2518 W. P.W., dated 23rd September  
1887, asking approval of the Proceedings of that Government, No. 1380 W., dated  
11th May 1883, authorising the local purchase of dynamite.

Resolution—

The Government of India, having considered the question of the source from  
which it is desirable to obtain explosives for use in India, has decided that it is, on the  
whole, preferable to purchase them, as necessity arises, in this country.

Order—

Ordered that this Resolution be communicated to—  
the Departments of the Government of India ;  
the Local Governments and Administrations ;  
the Accountants-General and Comptrollers ;  
the Mint Masters, Calcutta and Bombay ;  
the Head Commissioner, Paper Currency ; and  
the Commissioner, Northern India Salt Revenue.

(Signed) J. E. O'CONOR,  
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 1 A.G.

Copy forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works  
Department, for information and guidance.

(By Order.)

CALCUTTA,  
4th January 1888.

(Signed) R. G. MACDONALD,  
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt. of India.

B  
10/12  
11-11-88  
4 Ws. 12-12-88  
10/12/88  
18/12-  
With order

ORDER—dated 14th January 1888, No. 137 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the officers of the Public Works Department for information and guidance, with reference to G.O., No. 2517 W., dated 23rd September 1887.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.  
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.  
To all Superintending Engineers.  
To the Consulting Architect to Government.  
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.  
" Financial Department.  
" Revenue "  
" Military "

GENERAL.  
ACCOUNT.

**Govt. of 1887 Madras.**  
PUBLIC WORKS.

*Dated September, 23rd.*

*Recd.*

*Encl.*

G.O., 23rd Sept. 1887, No. 2517 W.

**SEPTEMBER.**

**Explosives**

Ordered that certain correspondence regarding the local purchase of — be forwarded to the Government of India with the recommendation that the proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 1380 W., dated 11th May 1883, be confirmed and declared applicable to all explosives.

23RD SEPTEMBER 1887, No. 2517 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.  
Account.

READ—the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel A. T. FRASER, R.E., Executive Engineer, Vizagapatam Division, to the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, dated Waltair, 21st July 1887, No. 809 :—

Has the honor to request to be informed if explosives do not form an exception to “articles of European manufacture” as they could not be obtained on an ordinary indent from the Secretary of State by almost any possibility.

2. A supply of fuse has been, and more dynamite must be, ordered from Madras, which will considerably exceed the limit of value.

No. 203 V.Z.

Copy forwarded to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts for favor of his opinion as to whether the articles referred to in the above letter may not be treated as exceptions to the rules about obtaining articles of European manufacture. It is evidently much better to get them in comparatively small quantities as required from Madras than to have to get supplies for long periods from England, even if the latter could be arranged for, which is doubtful.

(Signed) G. T. WALCH,  
Superintending Engineer, I Circle.

12th August 1887.

No. 61 W.

Forwarded, in original, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, with a suggestion that the Government of India may be asked to confirm the general sanction accorded in G.O., No. 1380 W., dated 11th May 1883, authorising the purchase of dynamite in the local market; as although local purchase seems necessary, it is thought that the case does not fall clearly under any one of the three classes referred to in paragraph 3 of appendix G of the Code.

2. The sanction might, it is thought, be extended to all explosives, including fuses.

MADRAS,  
7th September 1887.

(Signed) C. H. P. CHRISTIE, Major, R.E.,  
Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

ORDER—dated 23rd September 1887, No. 2517 W., Public Works.

Ordered to be forwarded to the Government of India with recommendation that the proceedings of this Government, No. 1380 W., dated 11th May 1883, be confirmed and declared applicable to all explosives.

(Here enter No. 2518 W., dated 23rd September 1887.)

(True Extract.)



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

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.  
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.  
To Superintending Engineers.  
To the Consulting Architect to Government.  
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. J. Moses.  
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Dated June, 9th.

Reed.

Enol.

G.O., 9th June 1887, No. 1549 W.

JUNE.

Stores

Letter from the Government of India stating that the limit of Rs. 50 fixed for the local purchase of — of European manufacture without the sanction of Government refers to the value of any one article, or of any number of articles of the same description required for the same work, or estimate, communicated to officers of the Public Works Department.

9TH JUNE 1887, No. 1549 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.  
Account.

READ—the following letter from R. B. BUCKLEY, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Civil Works—Miscellaneous), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 27th May 1887, No. 177-M:—

It appears from paragraph 2 of the resolution received with your endorsement, No. 980 W., dated 31st March 1887, that the intention of the ruling of the Government of India, conveyed under Public Works Department docket, No. 506-M., dated 30th November 1886, has been misunderstood.

2. It is not intended that long lists of petty articles, costing under Rs. 10 each, but the total value of which aggregates more than Rs. 50, should be submitted for the sanction of the Local Government. The sanction of the Local Government to the local purchase of stores of European manufacture is only necessary when the value of any one article, or if any number of articles of the same description, required for the same work, or estimate, is more than Rs. 50.

3. The Government of India is not yet in a position to pass the further orders promised in paragraph 2 of Public Works Department letter, No. 531-M., dated 20th December 1886.

ORDER—dated 9th June 1887, No. 1549 W., Public Works.

Communicated to officers of the Public Works Department, in continuation of G.O., No. 20 W., dated 7th January 1887, and in supersession of G.O., No. 623 W., dated 2nd March 1887.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.  
To Superintending Engineers.  
To the Consulting Architect to Government.  
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.  
" Secretary, Code Committee.

Exd. A. Aubert.  
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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated March, 2nd.

Recd.

Encl.

G O., 2nd March 1887, No. 623 W.

MARCH.

Stores

Concurring in the opinion of the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, that the limit of Rs. 50, fixed by the Government of India, for the local purchase of — of European manufacture without the sanction of Government, refers not to the value of any one article but to the aggregate value of all articles purchased at one time.

2ND MARCH 1887, No. 623 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.  
Account.

READ—the following letter from Colonel J. BEATTY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 9th February 1887, No. 60 E.W.:—

With reference to the limit of Rs. 50 fixed in paragraph 2 of the letter of the Government of India No. 467-M., of 29th October 1886, printed with G.O., No. 20 W., of 7th ultimo, I have the honor to inquire whether it refers to the value of any one article, or to the aggregate value of all articles purchased at one time.

2. The Executive Engineer, Nilgiris, holds that it refers to the value of any one article, and in this I think he is wrong.

ORDER—dated 2nd March 1887, No. 623 W., Public Works.

The Government are of opinion that the Government of India letter quoted has been correctly interpreted by the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.  
" other Superintending Engineers.  
" Consulting Architect to Government.  
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.  
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 11th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 11th May 1883, No. 1380 W.

MAY.

Dynamite

Passing orders authorising the purchase of  
— in the local market.

11TH MAY 1883, No. 1380 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.  
Account.

READ—the following letter from T. D. HARRIS, Esq., Executive Engineer, Vizagapatam Division, to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated Waltair, 18th April 1883, No. 116 :—

With reference to your letter, No. 9 S.E. 1st, dated the 7th April 1883, I have

One copy of letter. the honor to forward, herewith, a copy of Superintending Engineer's No. 1068, dated the 29th June 1880, and to inform you that it is under this authority that dynamite, &c., is being purchased from the local market.

2. I may add, for your information, that B. I. S. N. Company's Steamers refuse to carry dynamite in consequence of the dangerous quality of the material, and I would therefore prefer purchasing them locally as required.

ENCLOSURE.

From Lieutenant-Colonel H. L. PRENDERGAST, R.E., Superintending Engineer, First Circle, to the Executive Engineer, Vizagapatam Division, dated 29th June 1880, No. 1068.

With reference to paragraph 3 of your letter, No. 715, dated the 12th instant, I have the honor to inform you that dynamite is to be procured from Messrs. Hinde and Company at Calicut, and from Messrs. Macaulay and Company at Bombay. As regards difficulty about carriages, I would leave that to be solved by the suppliers. I enclose a few items of précis obtained from Major Morant.

No. 148 S.E. 1st.

Endorsement on the above.

Forwarded to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, for information and for such orders as he may deem necessary. The case is analogous to that dealt with in G.O., No. 800 W., dated 12th March 1883.

The value of dynamite purchased amounts to Rs. 5,214-12-0.

3rd May 1883.

(Signed) D. C. GORDON,  
Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

ORDER—dated 11th May 1883, No. 1380 W., Public Works.

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Resolution of the Government of India, No. 185, dated 10th January 1883, communicated with G.O., No. 469 W., dated 12th February 1883, the Government resolve to declare dynamite an article for the purchase of which, under all proper precautions and restrictions, officers of the Public Works Department may make their own local arrangements.

(True Extract.)

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

To Superintending Engineers.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

„ Consulting Engineer for Railways.

„ Consulting Architect to Government.

„ Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.

„ General Superintendent, Public Works Stores.

„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

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