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மு. கோப்புத் தாள் எண். 3352-53.

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நாள் : 17.12.1890

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க்கலோ கண்டபடி கையாளவோ கூடாது

No. 348 Gb

FROM,

J. W. Martin Esq. 333/

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

FIRST CIRCLE.

TO,

THE CHIEF ENGINEER

P. W. Department
FOR IRRIGATION.

DOWLAISHWERAM, 15th August 1890

Aug 18th

SIR,

With reference to your Memorandum No. 468 dated 17th July 1890 in the matter of the Circular from the Examiner giving instructions to Accountants about corresponding with him, I have the honor to state that neither I nor any of the Executive Engineers of this Circle see anything in the Circular against which it is desirable to raise any objection.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient St.

J. W. Martin
Sup^r Eng^r 1st Circle.

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P.W.C. 427982 ✓
FROM, J.W. Martin Esq.
SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

FIRST CIRCLE.

TO, THE CHIEF ENGINEER
Dept. of IRRIGATION.

DATED 15th August 1890
DESPATCHED 18
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ENCLOSURES

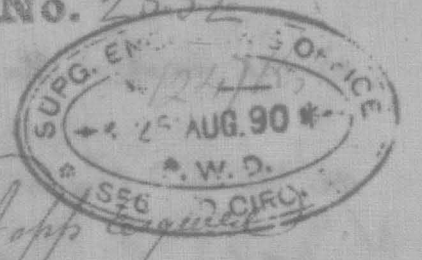
SUBJECT.

Instructions to Accountants about corresponding with the Examiners. States that nothing is seen to cause an objection against

Complied
cc
26-8-90

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Direct Correspondence is not
Accountant & the Examiners.
No. 2532



FROM, W. Japp Esq.
Executive Engineer,
Eastern Division Kistna.

To, The Superintending Engineer
Kistna

Dated 22nd August 1890
Despatched 23rd
Received

Enclosures. 1

Sir
Referring to your endorsement No. 196 of 27-7-90 on Chief Engineer's memo no. 4682 of 7-7-90 I have the honor to remark that I consider direct correspondence between the Examiners and accountants to be wrong in principle and practice.
2. Although it is laid down in the instructions circulated by the Examiners that direct

correspondence should be on routine matters of account only and that such should always be open to the inspection of the Executive Engineer; it seems to me that from the supposed nature of such correspondence it is unlikely that the Executive Engineer will be frequently inspecting it to see that it is limited to routine account matters only and hence his authority may be infringed without his being aware of it.

3. As a supposition Case there seems little to prevent an accountant from introducing personal matters into his correspondence, not directly of the nature of a complaint but with the object of shifting blame or responsibility for any delays, errors or inaccuracies from himself on to the Executive Engineer, some of his sub-officers or subordinates.

4. Further the Examiner's instructions restrict the correspondence to matters connected with "recognized" duties of the accountant. As the recognized duties of an accountant have never been defined it is difficult to know where the line would be drawn.

5. It is inferred from para 378 of the Code that the end aimed at in allowing direct correspondence of the

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relief of the Executive Engineer of the responsibility of compilation of accounts. In practice it has not been discovered in what respect his responsibilities have been reduced.

Have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedt servant

W. D. D. D.
Executive Engineer, P. W. D.

Sub. 23/87

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No. 560

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

Buckingham Canal,

Grand River
Camp,

6 August 1890.

From

J. A. Power Litt

Officially

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

BUCKINGHAM CANAL,

To

The Superintending Engineer.
2^d Circle.

SIR,

Enclosure.

With reference to your No. 196 G.L.
dated 27 ultimo. I have the honor to state
that I would take exception to the several
paras of the enclosure to Examined circular
No. 27 dated 7 June/89 noted below—
Para 2—All correspondence with the Examined
regarding accounts should be conducted
direct with the Executive Engineer, otherwise
the Executive Engineer will know little or
nothing about the state of the accounts
of the Division, and it is also probable that
documents that do not pass through him
will be overlooked.

Para 3—Keeping separate registers of
correspondence as advocated by the Examined
will entail extra labor without advantage.

allowing direct correspondence

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Para 4. The Accountant should be directly under the orders of the Executive Engineer and being in my opinion the manager of the office in accordance with G.O. No 3245W dated 16 November 1899, and as such, the Executive Engineer will be in a position to deal with any ordinary complaint without reference to the Examiner.

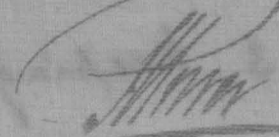
Para 5. Holding accountants responsible for accounts will deprive the Executive Engineer's control over the Accountant and his duties, and will moreover, tend to lessen the Executive Engineer's knowledge of the accounts of the Division.

Para 6. The Examiner giving direct instructions to the Accountant is strongly deprecated, as conflict between the Executive Engineer and Accountant is likely to occur apart from the correspondence it is likely to entail.

I remain the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

 L. L. L.

Offg. Executive Engineer.



No 564 560

From

J. A. Power
Lieut
Offs. Engr. Engineer
B. C. Division

To

The
Superintending Engineer
2nd Circle

Dated 6th August
Despatched - 7th August } 1890
Received

Certain para's of enclosures
to Examiner's circular in regard
to the correspondence with the
Examiner regarding accounts of
- passing observations on -

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From 3358/53

Supg. Engineer's Office,
2nd Circle, Berzavada
29 August 1890.

J. Hamman Esquire,
Superintending Engineer,
II - Circle.

To,

The Chief Engineer,

P. W. Department,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your Memo.

No 468 D. of 17th July 1890, I have
the honor to report that of the five
Division Officers in this Circle, three
viz: Messrs Paul, Todd & O'Connell
see nothing to take objection to
in the Examiner's Memo. of instruc-
tions for the guidance of the Divisional
Accountants. I concur with these
Officers. The other two Officers
Mr Joffe and Lieut Power take
objection to the Accountants corres-
ponding directly with the Examiner.
I enclose their letters - I am of
opinion, with reference to Mr Joffe's
letter, that the Examiner may be
trusted to see that his instructions
to Accountants not to introduce or
personal matters into their correspondence
with him or anything in the nature of

of complaints against their imme-
-diate superiors, are strictly enforced.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servt

I am an
Superintending Engineer,
II Circle.

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P. W. C. S. D. J. S.

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From

The Supt. Engineer
P. W. Circle

To
The Chief Engineer
P. W. Department

Dated 29th August 1900

Recd 1-9-90
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Direct Correspondence
between the Examiner
& the Divisional Accountants
Offers his opinion
on the proposal of

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Superintending Engineer's Office,
3RD CIRCLE.
Bellary 11 August 1890.

FROM

Col: G. B. Smalley R.E.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
IIIRD CIRCLE.

TO

THE Chief Engineer
P. W. Department
Maddur

Sir,

Enclosures,

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With reference to your memorandum
no. 68 D. dated 17th July 1890, I have the
honor to state that I have nothing to say
against the Examiner's instructions contained
in his Circular no. 27 dated 7th June 1889,
regarding the direct correspondence between
the Examiner and Divisional Accountants.
The Assistant Engineer of this circle agrees with me.

I have the honor to be

Yours Most Obedient Servant

G. B. Smalley Col R.E.
Superintending Engineer's Circle

From,

The Superintending Engineer,
IIIrd Circle,
Bellary.

To,

The Chief Engineer
P.W. Department
Maddur

Dated

Received

11 } August 1890.

Enclosures,

No. 1378

Subject.

Examiners and Divisional
Accountants.

stating that the Superintending
Engineer's Circle has nothing
to say against the Examiners
instructions contained in
his Circular No 27 d per 6-89
regarding the direct corres-
-pondence between the

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on
16-8-90

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No 5279

N.B.—The number and date of
this letter should be quoted in
any future communications on
this subject.

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DIVISION OFFICE,
STATION, Coinbatore Nov 90.

From

G. B. Lambert Esq

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

Coinbatore DIVISION,

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

FOURTH CIRCLE,

COIMBATORE.

Sir,

With reference to your
endorsement No 286c dated 19th
July 1890 calling for report on
the "memorandum of instructions
"for the guidance of Divisional
Accountants in corresponding
"with the Examiner", I have the
honor to inform you that I am
of opinion that the Divisional
Accountants should not corres-
-pond direct with the Examiner,
excepting the submission of
monthly accounts and replies
to Audit Notes.

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Yours

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obed^t. servant

Wm. A. Ambler
Executive Engineer

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From
The Executive Engineer
Cannalore D.
To The Supy Engineer
1st Circle

From
THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
NILGIRI DIVISION.
To
THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
4TH CIRCLE.

Dated }
Despatched } 188
Received }

N^o 3279
Dated 8th November
1890

Accountants corres-
ponding direct with
Examiner.

Give opinion in
respect to

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Enclosures.

Subject.

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FROM

TO

A. Jayaraj
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER.

WEST COAST DIVISION.

The Superintending Engineer,
4th Circle,
Cannalore.

ENCLOSURE.

I have the honor to acknow-
-ledge receipt of your N^o 286 of
19th July 1890. In reply I would beg
to state that if efficiency be required
in the Department the whole Circular
is I consider very detrimental to
Government Interests. If the Executive
Engineers are to be responsible for
the due worth accounting to Govt.
from the money they spend, their
own Accountants should be distinctly
under their orders. If the Executive
Engineer in any way goes wrong
with his Expenditure, the Superintending
Engineer and above him the Chief
Engineer

Engineer can reprove him for the same. The Examiner if serving directly under the orders of the Chief Engineer could of course bring anything to his notice which he thought advisable. With regard to the objections paralyz-

II. Correspondence Carried on in such a manner unknown to the Executive Engineer would destroy discipline and prevent him possibly from having that authority over his office which he should have if he is to show in his accounts accurate charges to the several items.

III. If such Correspondence be Carried on, the Executive Engineer should most decidedly have access to it. But not having seen the Correspondence in the first instance, that is to say, the Correspondence not being addressed to him, it is very probable that things might not be brought to his notice, and he could not very well call for a letter which he

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13 might not know to exist.

V. I think it would be better that the Accountant's appeal should be to the Superintending Engineer and above him to the Chief Engineer, who could consult with the Examiner if he thought it desirable in the interests of Government. Permitting the Executive Engineer to be censured by any other than his superior officer will not I think be conducive to discipline or efficiency.

VI. I see no objection to the Accountant being personally responsible for his accounts as far as he has Carried out the instructions of the Executive Engineer. To that extent he should be responsible for carrying out such instructions. I strongly object to the Accountant being allowed to deal with Correspondence unknown to the Chief Engineer. It must to a greater or less extent prevent him from having as full and clear a knowledge

Knowledge as possible of the
working of his office.

VII. I strongly object to the
proceedure recommended in this para.
The latter portion, I perceive, attempts
to modify the first. But the ex-
pressions used to convey this modi-
-fication are by no means definite
and liable to various constructions.
The P. W. D. Code is I consider
at this very time a very clumsily
constructed document on account
of the various ways in which
different portions can be interpreted.
It wants for improvement much
more brevity & conciseness. This
para would add to the present
difficulties.

VIII. Para 8 is very good as a
general rule, it would only add to
the bulkiness of the Code without
producing, I think, any practical
advantage but I see no necessity
in putting it in at all. Every
Executive Engineer should

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I think would send off his
Audit Vates as quickly as possible.
If any thing very unforeseen happened
to prevent them being despatched in
which might possibly happen
this para would help no one.
With regard to Casual inquiries
any Executive Engineer would if
doing his duty answer them as
quickly as possible. With regard
to answering them at once, which
I suppose is intended to mean by
return of post, if he happen not
to have the information by him
in time this para would not I
think help him or any body
else. He would naturally if doing
his duty do his best in this
matter. This para 8 had much
better I think be left out.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Most Obedt servant

ag
Executive Engineer
West Coast Divⁿ

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P. W. D.

WEST COAST DIVISION.

FROM

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
WEST COAST DIVISION.

TO

The Supdg. Engineer
4th Circle

Dated

22nd

Despatched

Received

August 1890.



No. 351

Enclosures.

SUBJECT.

Direct Correspondence
between the Divisional
Accountants and the
Examiners.

Represents the misconception
that will result in allowing

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No. 358
E.W.

Supg. Engineer's office, 4th Circle,
Coimbatore, 12 November 1890.

From,

Lt. Colonel L.R.E. Drake-Brockman, R.E.,
Supg. Engineer, 4th Circle,

To,

The Chief Engineer,
P.W. Department.

Sir,

Enclo 2.

With reference to your Memorandum no. 468 D of 17th July last, I have the honor to submit the two original letters received from the Executive Engineers in this Circle with an intimation that I concur with their opinion that it is not advisable that Accountants should correspond direct with the Examiners of Public Works Accounts.

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your most obedt servant,
R. Drake-Brockman, Lt. Col. R.E.,
Supg. Engineer, 4th Circle.

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From
The Supg. Engg.
V Circle

Dated 12. 3e Nov 1890
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E. W.

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Direct correspondence be-
tween the D. Accountants
and the Examiner

Submitting the two
original letters received
from the Ex Engg in the
Circle with regard to

No. 2384

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

V CIRCLE, MADRAS,

Chennai, 18 August 1890.

From Colonel W. H. Burton R.E.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE Chief Engineer
P.W. Department.

SIR,

With reference to your memorandum
No. 468 D. dated 17th July 1890. I have the honor
to state that there is no objection on the part of
any of the Executive Engineers in this circle to the
terms of the Examiner's Memorandum of Instru-
ctions for the guidance of Divisional Accountants
in corresponding with him.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

W. H. Burton Colonel R.E.
Supg Engineer V circle

Enclosures.

at only

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

V CIRCLE,

To

THE

Chief Engineer
P.W. Dept.

Dated

Recd.

18th August 1890.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 2384.

Correspondence
between Accountants
& the Examiners
P.W. Dept.

Reports on
the subject of—

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in
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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

6TH CIRCLE.

Lucknow 19th August 1890

No. 1016.T.S.

From

Lt. Col. A. Smith R.E.

The Superintending Engineer,

6th Circle.

To

The

Chief Engineer

P.W. Dept.

Sir,

at only

ENCLOSURES.

Your memorandum No. 4882 of
17th July 1890, requesting to be informed
whether there is anything in the terms
of the memorandum of instructions
for the guidance of divisional account-
ants in corresponding with the
Examiners, which accompanied that
officer's circular No. 27 of 7th June 1889,
to which exception can be taken from
the Executive Engineer's point of view.
I have the honor to state that with
the exception of two Executive Engineers,
all the others report that they see
nothing to take exception in the
Examiners' instructions.

3. W. H. Hughes, Executive Engineer

Madras division considers with re-
ference to para 4 of the memorandum
of instructions, that if an accountant
has a complaint to make he should
first address the Executive Engineer
and when that course fails should
appeal to the Examiner, and that
in case these officers disagree, the
correspondence should be referred to
the Suptg. Engineer.

4. M. C. H. T. Norfor, Executive Engineer
Negapatam division, considers with
reference to para 5 of the memorandum
that an accountant should not
be allowed to appeal direct to the
Examiner, but that discretion should
be given to the Executive Engineer
to forward his appeal or not, &
that if the Executive Engineer refuses,
the matter should be considered as
finally settled.

5. The above two officers take exception
to the two paras only, & they have
no objection to other instructions -

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6. Instructions given in para 4, though
harsh when there is a good under-
standing between the Executive
Engineer and the accountant, might
in easily conceivable circumstances,
afford facilities for useless contention,
the course suggested by Mr. Hughes
appears therefore reasonable -

7. Mr. Norfor's suggestion does not
appear reasonable, and is opposed
to the understood right of every
member of the department to appeal
direct to higher authority where
the officer under whose immediate
order he is serving refuses to for-
ward his representations - I think
that appeals of the accountant
should as suggested by Mr. Hughes
pass through the Suptg. Engineer.

8. It appears to me that if the
instructions of the Examiner are
to be strictly observed the account-
ant cannot possibly be the
Head of the Office, as recommended
in para 396 of the report by
the Committee on Public Works

Accounts, and ordered by the Govt
of India in their Resolution,
printed in G.O. No. 3245 N. of 16th
November 1891. He should work in
his own groove independently
of, but subject in disciplinary
matters to the Head Clerk. With
all the responsibility and the
account work to do, as per memo-
randum of instructions and
the Circular which accompanied
it, the accountant could not
possibly see to the proper regulation
of the Executive business of the
office, which after all is the
principal "raison d'être" of
the divisions, as I have fre-
quently remarked before. Ex-
aminers are too apt to consider
that the works must for the
accounts and not vice versa -
9. As matters stand at pre-
sent, the position of the divisional
accountant is anomalous, he
is only nominally under the
orders of the Executive Engineer

but is not responsible to him and
does not look to him for his de-
partmental superiors / for pro-
motion, reward or punishment.
I do not think this system is
in force in the Revenue or any
other department, and as long
as this system is in existence, it
is not likely that the divisional
accountant will do well as the
Head of the Executive Engineer's
office -

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obed^t Serv^t

Albion Smith Esq^r
Supy^r Engineer in Civil

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to
the Chief Engineer

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dated 19th
recd 20th } August 1890

Accountants as head
of the sub offices

Reports on the unavailability
of - for reasons
given within

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
PERIYAR PROJECT.
6 August 1890

No. 1315 P.R.

FROM, Major D Maclell Campbell M.E.
Superintending Engineer.
Periyar Project.

TO, THE Chief Engineer
P. R. D

Sir,

ENCLOSURES.

With reference to your Memo-
randum No 469. D of 17th 2/11/89 I
have the honor to inform you
that there is nothing to which
exception can be taken in
the terms of the enclosure to
the Examiner's Circular No 27-
dated 4th June 89, either by
myself or by the Executive
Engineers employed in this
circle.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours Most Obedient Servant

D. Maclell Campbell Major M.E.
Superintending Engineer
Periyar Project

P.W. Code 7522

No. 1315 P.R.

[Faint handwritten text]

The Superintendent Engineer
Periyar Project

To:
The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.

Station Periyar
Dated 6th August 1904

[Faint handwritten text]

Terms of the Enclosure
to the Examiner's
Circular No. 27 dated

7th June 1897:—
Informs that there
is nothing to which
exception can be
taken in the

[Handwritten signature]
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

STANDING ORDERS.

P. W. D. CODE, VOLUME I, 5TH EDITION.

No. 237.

CHAPTER V.

Chapter V, para. 43.—Add at end of para. and Articles 920 A to 920 F, Army Regulations, India, Volume I, Part I, revised edition of 1888.

[No. 237—Vol. i—3-7-90.]

No. 238.

CHAPTER IV.

Add at end of para. 82 C.—

When an Officer is on long leave, the transfer to the new Division or appointment does not take effect until he joins his new appointment if he is on furlough in India, or until the commencement of subsidiary leave if he is on leave out of India. Any charges other than allowances during furlough must be charged to the new Province.

[This order is applicable to Madras and Bombay.]

[No. 238—Vol. i—3-7-90.]

No. 239.

CHAPTER III.

Chapter III.—For para. 88, substitute the following:—

88. Executive Engineers are responsible for the correctness, in all respects, of the original records of cash and stores receipts and expenditure, and for seeing that complete vouchers are obtained. The Divisional Accountant is responsible to the Executive Engineer for

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STANDING ORDERS.

the correct compilation of the accounts of the Division from the data supplied to him. The relative position of the Divisional Accountant to the Executive Engineer is defined in para. 145. The Executive Engineer is responsible that his accounts are regularly posted from day to day and that the Accountant carries out his duties regularly and punctually.

[No. 239—Vol. i—3-7-90.]

Cancel para. 146.

[This order is applicable to Madras and Bombay.]

[No. 239—Vol. i—3-7-90.]

No. 240.

CHAPTER VI.

Insert as para. 12 A.—

12 A. When accommodation for an Office is provided in a private residence, or in a building hired for the purpose, the first charge in every year that an Officer makes in his contingent bill on account of house-rent shall be supported by a certificate to the effect that a suitable public building was not available.

[This order is applicable to Madras and Bombay.]

[No. 240—Vol. i—3-7-90.]

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GOVT.
OF MADRAS.

1890.

P. W.
DEPT.

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

KEEP-WITH

CURRENT No.

Madras, 17 November 1890.

dated

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OFFICE NOTE No. 6768.

To

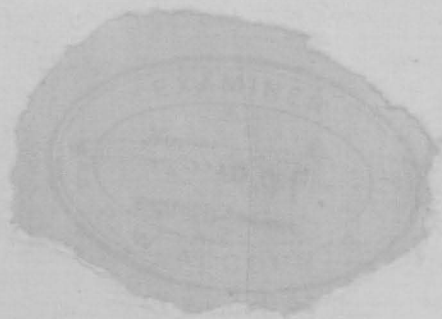
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I beg to invite attention to the Government of India standing order No. 239 of 3rd. July 1890 (which is applicable to Madras) cancelling para 143 of chapter III, volume I of the Government of India Code, and to inquire whether Government wish the corresponding Madras Code rule (para 378) to be expunged at once or not.

2. I solicit early orders in the matter as the standing order is virtually a direction to me as Examiner, not to correspond directly with accountants, but as the present procedure was adopted under the express orders of Government, vide G.O. No. 805 W. dated 16th. March 1889, I hardly like to drop it without their orders.

C.

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P.W. Cole 11031 ✓

Ad. 18-11-90



it must do so

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note

In G.O. no 805W of
16.3.89 the Govt. approved
certain measures proposed
by the Secy for giving effect
to Code para 378, per-
mitting direct corres-
pondence between the
Examiner of the divisional
accountant regarding
routine account matters.

The proposal was
the outcome of certain sug-
gestions made by Colonel
Pennycook with the object
of relieving Secy from
a large part of the routine
work connected with the
compilation & submission
of the monthly accounts -
vide Clause III para 2,
& para 9 of G.O. no 96W
of 20.3.88.

The Secy's proposals,
approved in G.O. no 805W
of 16.3.89, were embodied

in a "memorandum of
instructions for the guidance
of divisional accountants,"
& circulated to all Ex.
Supts. with his Circular
no. 27 of 1889.

In letter no. 8019
of 26.5.90, the Com. of India
took exception to the
terms of the Ex's Circular
no. 27 of 1889 above quoted,
& pointed out that the
principle of making the
divisional accountant
a semi-independent au-
thority is contrary to the
Custom that obtains in
other provinces " &c &c ",
but it may be remarked
that Madras Circular
378 is identical with
L.S. Code para 146,
Chapter III, Vol I.

The L.S. further
pointed out that one
of the instructions contained
in the Ex's Circular, es-
pecially those in para

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3, 4 & 5 of the memo. of
instructions were open to
objection as tending to a
relaxation of the control
that must be exercised by
every Ex. Supt. over all
the members of his office
total.

The Ex's defence
of his circular is contained
in his office note no. 2078
of 27.6.90.

In reply to the
Ex's remarks, it was
thought advisable to
obtain opinions from all
Circles whether there
was anything objectionable
in the Ex's Circular
from an Ex Supt's
point of view.

The replies from Exps.
Supts. are now complete,
& the following is a
brief abstract of them -

The Exps. Supts. I, II
& V Circles & Peninsular Provinces
see no objection whatever
to the Ex's Circular.

In the VII Circle

These two officers
object only to the above
two points in the Circular
& see no objection to
the rest of the provisions.
The other S. S. Senors in
the VI Circle have
no objections to them.
The S. S. agree with
Mr Hughes. But
does not support Mr
Hofman's idea, as

it is opposed to the
understand right of every
member of the Dept
to appeal to higher auth-
ority.

It will be seen
that the large majority
of the Officers of the Dept.
see no objection to the
terms of the Examiner's
Circular.

While this matter
has been under considera-
tion (for no answer has
yet been sent to India
to its letter of 26.5.80)
the G. of I. has issued
a Standing Order Can-
celling para 146, Article
II, Vol I India Code,
which made the order
"applicable to Madras
& Bombay" - This
means of course that
[if the G. of I. SO. is to
be accepted without
protest] Madras Code
para 378 must be

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I think it should not
be accepted without a
strong protest

likewise cancelled, - &
the whole discussion re-
garding the G. of I. Circular
no 27 of 1889 falls to the
ground - for G. of I. Circular
& G. of I. no 805 W of 16.3.89
would also be cancelled.

The point for order
now is whether the G. of I.
SO. shall be accepted
without protest.

Just the letter
to India on the subject
can include a reply
to its no 80 A. G. of 26.5.80.

A point connected
with this correspondence
might be disposed of
at the same time -
In para 2 of G. of I. no
805 W of 16.3.89, the
Govt. in deference to
the strongly expressed
opinion of the Secy,
declared that the
Accountant-General
will be made the
Manager of the G. of I.
Office, except under

Special circumstances.

In G. O. Circular No. 14 of 23.00.89 however it was ruled, on a recommendation of the P. W. Asst. Comdr, that the principle that the account should be treated as the head of the division office establishment, was carried out as far as possible. On this point (G. O. Circular No. 3245 W of 16.11.89) cancelled para 2 of G. O. Circular No. 505 W of 16.3.89 - Shortly after however, on a renewed representation from the Dir., G. O. Circular No. 3245 W of 16.11.89 was held in abeyance, & it was ordered that para 2 of G. O. Circular No. 505 W of 16.3.89 should continue in force "for the present" - pending further report from the Dir. - It is understood that the Dir. has taken up the point in

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I would take up the matter now -

I would not cancel the para. In my opinion the proposals of the Dir. of India will add to the work & responsibility of the Executive Engineer in the matter of accounts, and every effort should be made to leave matters as they now stand as regards correspondence between the T. & his accountants, & there should be no hard & fast rule that the accountant should be the head of a Division office establishment -

his general report on the P. W. Comdr's recommendation, & probably the Dir. will within the next in due course. It has to be considered therefore whether the point will be taken up now, or dealt with in connection with the note the Dir. is preparing.

The point that passes for decision is whether Code para 378 shall at once be cancelled in accordance with the orders of the G. O. The C. asks for early orders, as the G. O. S.O. is a direction to him not to correspond direct with accountants, while the present procedure is in accordance with the orders of the local Govt.

In order.

Ch
9.12.80

W. C. No. 1145
[C. No. 62.]
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FROM MAJOR C. H. P. CHRISTIE, R.E.,
EXAMINER OF P. W. ACCOUNTS, MADRAS,
To. *The Secretary to Govt.*
P. W. D.

No. 6768 Madras, 28 Nov 1890.
Ad. 1-12-90

Invites attention to the communication
noted below and requests the favor of an early
reply thereto.

If a reply has already been sent, please give
a reference thereto overleaf and return this
paper at once to this Office.

x
No. 6768, dated 17-11-90.

SUBJECT.

*Inquires whether Code para 378
re direct correspondence
with Divisional Accountants
should be expunged.*

x *Ad. 11071*
Sub. to Ex. 11-90

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Offg. Deputy Examiner,
Assistant Examiner,

for Examiner of P. W. Accounts, Madras.

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20.3.88 - 916-74

Write to the other citing
a reconsideration of their
order, cancelling from
370 of the Manual
Code, and for the
purpose to retain the
present practice -
state that this practice
has the support of an
overwhelming majority
of Officers of the Department
including the present
Chief Engineer -

Para 2, 4, and 5 are
intended, and are
understood by the
Officers concerned, as
amplifying, not as
limiting the present
Engineer's control, and
~~and a very small number~~
~~of Officers see in them~~
~~nothing to object~~

With regard to the
last meeting of June 2
of the J.E.S. letter; the
J.O. asking the change

in procedure was
 committed to further
 consideration the
 strength of the
 Co. circular has been
 an explanation in
 detail. Since the
 P.O. left without

S.D.

I think it will be
 better to state the
 position whether the
 Account should be
 made up of the office
 until the final
 report is received.

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No. 3352 Wd 17 Dec 1890

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Read the following

- Letter from the Govt. of India, P.W.D. N.E. no. 80 A.G. of 26 May 1890
- From the Engineer P.W. Accts. N.E. no. 3778 of 27 June '90
- From the Supy. Engineer I. Ind. N.E. no. 348 G.L. of 15 August 1890
- do — II Circle N.E. no. 256 G.L. of 29 August 1890
- do — III Circle N.E. no. 1378 of 11 August 1890
- do — IV Circle N.E. no. 358 Wd of 12 Nov. '90
- do — V Circle N.E. no. 2384 of 18 August '90
- do — VI Circle N.E. no. 1016 J.G. of 19 Aug. 1890
- do — Periyar District N.E. no. 1315 P.R. of 6 Aug. 1890
- From the Engr. P.W. Accts. N.E. no. 6768 of 17 Nov. 1890
- do — do — N.E. no. 6768 of 28 Nov. 1890

To. The Engr. P.W. Accts.
 Ordered that the Govt. of India be addressed.

N.E. no. 3353 Wd 17 Dec '90

To The Secy. to the Govt. of India, P.W.D.

Sir,
 With reference to standing

Standing order No. 239
3^d July 1890, cancelling para
146, Chapter III, Vol. I. Govt.
of India P.W. Code, I am
directed to request a re-
consideration by the Govt.
of India of the Govt. note
making the Standing order
applicable to Madras.

2. It will be seen from
the Proceedings of this Govt.
No. 805 W dated 16 March
1889, that measures have
been adopted in this
Presidency to give effect
to the corresponding paragraphs
378, of the Madras P.W. Co.
and I am to state
that this Govt. is strongly
of opinion that the
procedure then introduced
which has the support
of an overwhelming
majority of the officers
of the Department, including
the present Chief Engineer,
should not now be
disturbed.

3. In your letter No. 504
dated

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26th May
How was taken to
be of the instructions
contained in the Examiners
Circular No. 27 dated
June 1889 on this subject
but from inquiring this
Govt. has learnt
that almost every Ex-
ecutive and Sifting Engineer
in the Presidency sees
nothing objectionable in
the terms of that circular,
Paras 3, 4 and 5, which
are particularly noticed
in your letter, are intended
and are understood by
the officers concerned,
as emphasising, not
eliminating, the Executive
Engineer's control.

4. With regard to the
last sentence of para 2
of your letter above
quoted I am to point
out that Proceedings of
Govt. No. 805 W dated
16 March 1889, authorising
the introduction of a
system of direct
correspondence

correspondence between
 3rd July 1890
 146, Chapter communicated to Examiners
 of India - Engineers in the usual
 directed to pass through the Supg.
 considerate Engineers, and the Examiners
 of India of circular was merely
 making a few explanations for
 applicable points of detail which
 the Govt. order left

2. It will be
 the procedure
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your letter no. 805
 dated