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4TH JUNE 1892, No. 1698 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following papers :—

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 17th January 1891, No. 286.

With reference to my remarks on item 20 of the summary of inspection report of North Arcot division, dated 2nd December 1889, and para. 8 of my office-note No. 3882, dated 2nd July 1890, I think that, with a view to ensuring the eventual return of all measurement books to the divisional office for final record, it will be necessary in the first place to arrange for every book bearing a distinguishing number just as cheque books do at present. If this is done Executive Engineers can, by means of a simple register, maintain an effective watch over the return of the books.

2. Some such plan as this seems to be the only possible way of really ensuring return of measurement books to divisional office for record, and, considering the extreme importance of measurement books, which are the foundation of all claims of contractors and piece-workers, it seems worth while to go to the very slight—almost infinitesimal—trouble which the keeping of such a register would involve ; but, before definitely recommending any particular form of register (supposing Government think one desirable), I should like to ascertain what is now done by the several Executive Engineers, and, if Government see no objection, I will take steps to ascertain this.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 13th February 1891, No. 887.

Under present conditions it is impossible for an inspecting accounts officer to attend properly to what the Code declares to be one of his most important duties, and it is impossible for anybody to make sure that is done, the doing of which, according to the Code, "should be insisted on."

2. Code para. 366 says that "one of the most important points to be looked to in the course of the inspection is the treatment of the initial accounts rendered to Executive Engineers" and then goes on to explain the importance and Code para. 1756 shows how the initial accounts are necessarily based on the measurement book.

3. Code para. 1756 also says that "the eventual return of all (measurement) books to the divisional office should be insisted on," but, as the inspecting officer pointed out on the occasion, out of which this question arose, there is nothing to prevent any subordinate from keeping back any measurement book if he wishes to do so.

4. The consumption of measurement books is not great. Judging from the issues from my stock it must be on an average about thirty books per division per annum and the trouble of keeping a record of the issue and return of such books would be infinitesimal, probably very much less than the trouble now given to divisional offices by the efforts of the inspecting officer to get at the facts in the absence of any regular record.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 23rd May 1891, No. 2916.

I did not see how any useful check could be exercised on the plan suggested by you and I therefore asked the inspecting officer (Officiating Deputy Examiner) to look into the matter in the course of his next inspection of divisional accounts.

2. He reports that he spoke to Mr. H. S. Taylor, the Superintendent of Works, No I Periyár division, on the subject and questioned accountants of several divisions and states that every body whom he has consulted is of opinion that the measurement books should be numbered before issue, that the Executive Engineer should keep a

register showing the dates of issue and return of each book. He says he was told by the accountant of the Tinnevelly division that Mr. Wilson intends making some such arrangement for his own satisfaction.

3. I have asked him to continue inquiries in a few more divisions and after seeing him again I shall write further on this subject.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 27th May 1892, No. 738 S.A.

The inspecting officer (Deputy Examiner) reports that he has since had opportunities of consulting some other executive officers on the subject and he has found that the Executive Engineer, Coorg division, had arranged of his own accord to number and register measurement books before their issue to sub-divisional and other officers. The Executive Engineer, North Arcot division, informed him that he purposed adopting the same system at once, while the Executive Engineers, West Coast and Kistna Eastern divisions, agreed that it would be the most suitable arrangement.

2. I have already arranged to give a distinguishing number to each measurement book issued from this office, withdrawing at the same time all unnumbered books, and to keep a record of the particular numbers issued to particular divisions (see sample form enclosed) and all that seems necessary now is for Government to issue an order requiring all Executive Engineers to adopt a similar form for use in their divisions, by means of which they can watch the eventual return of all completed books to their offices.

ENCLOSURE.

(C. No. 1118.)

No. 100

Dated ______________ 189 .

To

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

______________ DIVISION.

His No. ____ , *dated* ______________

Form No. M. ______________ , *Books,*

Nos. ______________

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Storekeeper. *Examiner.*

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Madras ______________ 189 .

FROM

THE EXAMINER OF PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS,

To

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

______________ DIVISION.

Referring to his No. ____ , *dated* ______________

forwards *Books, Form No. M.* ______________,

Books Nos. ______________

Examiner of Public Works Accounts,
Madras.

Storekeeper.

No. *dated* ______________ 189 .

Acknowledges receipt of ________ *Books as above.*

Executive Engineer,

______________ *Division.*

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ORDER—dated 4th June 1892, No. 1698 W., Public Works.

The Government agrees with the Examiner that steps should be taken to ensure the eventual return of all measurement books to divisional officers, and, with this object, Executive Engineers will maintain a register by means of which the return of the books can be checked.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under-Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
,, the Superintendent of Works, Periyár Project.
,, the Consulting Architect to Government.
,, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
,, the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. A. D. Xavier.
Spare Copies

GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1892} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 4th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 4th June 1892, No. 1698 W.

JUNE.

Measurement Books

Ordering the maintenance by Executive Engineers of a register, by means of which the eventual return of all — to divisional offices can be checked.

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dated 189 .

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(C. No. $\frac{1201}{8}$.)

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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 17 January 189/ .

OFFICE NOTE No. 286.

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To

W.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Madras, 22 January 1891.

OFFICE NOTE.

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From
W

To
C

Your office note No 286 of 17 Aug 1891.

Is there any reason to suppose that any evil now exists which will be removed by the enquiry suggested? in other words is any ill result practically felt from the absence of the proposed register? I have not heard of any, and unless the existence of such evil can be shewn I see no occasion for action in the matter.

Executive

Executive Engineers have
work enough to do without
being worried with un-
necessary questions

Recd

No. 887 d/ 13-2-91. W

To W.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Ootacamund, 16th April 1891.

OFFICE NOTE.

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From W

To C

Your office note No. 2121 dated 9th April 1891. No further action appears to have been taken on the subject.

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(Sd) A. C. S.

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Madras, 11 May 1892

OFFICE NOTE.

From W

To C

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Your office Note No. 2916 d/23.5.91 regarding the disposal of measurement book.

The further report promised is still awaited. Please say when it may be expected.

W.

No. 738 SAD/27-5-92

P. W. CURRENT No. 5657

To W.

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Dated ________________ 189 .

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THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

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THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

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Examiner of Public Works Accounts,
Madras.

Storekeeper.

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Acknowledges receipt of ________ *Books as above.*

Executive Engineer,

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S. Engineers.
S. of W. P. P.
C. A. to Govt
C. E. for Irrigation
Examiner, P. W. accounts.

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No. 1698 W. dt 4 June 1892

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

1698/10

READ the following

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Govt. of {1892} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

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