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Govt. of {189 } Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated Cabs 5-10-94

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G.O. 4 October 1894 No. 2476W

Equitation – Pros: Educational department approving the proposal that the students of the College of Engineering should undergo a short course in — while under training in the Workshops, comtd: to Supdg: Engineers for information –

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

Read—the following papers :—

From J. C. LARMINIE, Esq., Superintending Engineer, V Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated 2nd April 1894, No. 95 W.

I have the honour to offer the following remarks on an important branch of the training of Public Works subordinates (they also apply to officers) which has hitherto been totally neglected.

At the Civil Engineering College, Madras, considerable pains are taken to encourage games, cricket, football, tennis, most excellent in their way (golf might also be included), but I do not suppose that of all the men (natives) who are appointed to the department from the college, one out of a hundred ever subsequently plays one of those games again, consequently, if some of the time devoted to them could be given to some accomplishment really of use not alone to the men but to their employers, the gain would soon be manifest.

I consider it most essential that all members of the department should be able to ride fairly well, *i.e.*, with ease, safety and comfort to themselves. Any one who cannot do so, in the nature of things, is for ever endeavouring to get over his journeys by some other mode of conveyance. In very many instances, no other mode of locomotion can be employed, and if a man cannot ride—what is the result ? he shirks such localities. The great tendency now-a-days is to make journeys as much as possible at night by cart—now even when there are no works to inspect in route. I discourage such modes of conveyance ; something can always be learnt or seen when travelling on horseback by day light. But with the riding capabilities of fully three-fourths of the present subordinate branch, it is hopeless to expect much in that direction. A more lamentably bad set of riders it would be hard to find !

I would therefore propose that in the final year of their course in college the students should devote some of the time now given to games to a course of equitation.

Either half a dozen inexpensive ponies might be kept, or better still some cast troop horses might be reserved for the purpose ; but however the details may be arranged, no man should be appointed until he can be certified to be capable of riding fairly well.

No. 1596 C.

Transferred to the Educational Department, with an expression of the Chief Engineer's concurrence with the Superintending Engineer's proposal.

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

10th April 1894.

G.O., dated 19th September 1894, No. 693, Educational.

Read—the following letter from the Acting Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated 14th August 1894, No. 7545:—

With reference to the endorsement of Government, No. 839, Educational, dated 27th April 1894, and in continuation of my letter, No. 7390, dated 8th instant, I have the honour to state that I quite approve of the suggestion of the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, that the students of the College of Engineering should undergo a brief course in "Equitation," though it is not practicable to arrange for the instruction being given to them whilst at the college. At the suggestion of Lieutenant-Colonel Smart, the Acting Principal, College of Engineering, I asked (copy of my letter enclosed) the Commandant of His Excellency the Governor's Body Guard whether he could arrange to give instruction in riding to a batch of about 25 Engineer and Engineer subordinate students during their workshop course. On his pointing out to me the difficulty in giving instruction to 25 students at a time for a period of six months, I enquired whether two batches of students each numbering about a dozen can be put through the riding course for 3 months at least in succession, and the Adjutant, Body Guard's reply in the affirmative, No. 241, dated 10th instant, is herein enclosed for the perusal of Government. If Government approves the proposal, the details will be arranged in communication with the Principal, the Superintendent of the Public Works Workshops and the Adjutant, Body Guard, and provision will be made in the rules of the college under revision for the students of the college passing through the riding school during their workshop course.

2. I beg to submit copy of letter of the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, No. 95 W., dated 2nd April 1894, for the information of Government, the same, together with the endorsement of Government under reply, having been mislaid in this office.

Enclosures.

From the Acting Director of Public Instruction, to the Commandant of His Excellency the Governor's Body Guard, dated 23rd July 1894, No. 6768.

The Superintending Engineer, V Circle, having submitted a proposal to Government that the students of the College of Engineering, Madras, should be required to undergo a course in Equitation, a reference was made to the Principal, College of Engineering, on the matter. That officer in supporting the above proposal suggests that the students of the college undergoing their initial practical course in the Public Works Workshops which will, in future, extend over a period of six months, be sent to the Body Guard twice a week for instruction in riding. I have accordingly the honour to request the favour of information as to whether you could arrange every year for the instruction in riding of the students referred to above, who will be about 25 in number on the average, and if so at what hours of the day and how many hours per week their attendance is required, and what period is considered necessary to make fairly good riders of the students.

2. I shall feel obliged by your favouring me with an early reply.

From Lieutenant B. J. H. HUMFREY, Adjutant, Body Guard, to the Acting Director of Public Instruction, dated 10th August 1894, No. 241.

In reply to your letter No. 7389, dated 8th instant, I am directed by the officer Commanding Body Guard to inform you that there would be no difficulty in giving instruction in riding to two batches of students of about 12 each.

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Order—dated 19th September 1894, No. 693, Educational.

The proposal that students of the College of Engineering should go through a short course of riding while under training in the workshops is approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

Order—dated 4th October 1894, No. 2476 W., Public Works.

Communicated to Superintending Engineers for information.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
„ the Consulting Architect to Government.

Exd. Shaik Karim.
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Govt. of {1894} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 4th.

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G.O., 4th Oct. 1894, No. 2476 W.

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Equitation

Proceedings, Educational Department, approving the proposal that the students of the College of Engineering should undergo a short course in — while under training in the workshops, communicated to Superintending Engineers for information.

Copy of Cuo 401 of 94.

No. 95. W. d/ 2d April 1894.

To,
The Chief Engineer,
P. W. Department.

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I have &c.

Sd/. J. C. Larminie

Supg. Engineer: V circle

(True copy)

Ag: Director of Public Instruction

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P. W DEPARTMENT.

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From The Suptg: Engineer, V Circle

ENCLOS.

No. 95 W

Dated 30 - 3 - 94

Received 3 - 4 - 94

SUBJECT.

Proposing that Students of the Civil Engineering College should devote sometime in riding at the final year of their Course.

DISPOSAL.

No. 1596 C dated 10th April 1894

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Transferred to the Educational Dept. with an expression of the Chief Engineer's concurrence with the Suptg: Engineer's proposal.

(Sd.) J. P.

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Sr. Supdg. Engineer I Circle.

No 1596 C d/ 10th April 1894

Proposing that students of the Civil Engineering College should learn to ride [illegible]

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Educational Department.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT MADRAS

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Read the following paper G.O. dated 19th Sept 1894 No [illegible]

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following paper :— Print/3

From the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, d/ 11th August 1894, No 7545.

With reference to the endorsement of Government, No 839, Educational, d/ 27th April 1894, and in continuation of my letter, No 7390, d/ 8th instant, I have the honour to state that I quite approve of the suggestion of the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, that the students of the College of Engineering should undergo a brief course in "equitation", though it is not practicable to arrange for the instruction being given to them, whilst at the college. At the suggestion of Lieut., Col., Smart, the Ag. Principal, College of Engineering, I asked (copy of my letter enclosed) the Commandant of His Excellency the Governor's Body Guard whether he could arrange to give instruction in riding to a batch of about 25 Engineer and Engineer Subordinate students, during their Workshop Course. On his pointing out to me the difficulty in giving instruction to 25 students at a time, for a period

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Order: dated 19th September 1894, No. 693.

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(True Extract)

Under Secretary, P.W.D.,
for Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Dept. (with 3 enclos: to be returned to Educ. Dept.)
6/4 — Director of Public Instruction.

Dated 23rd July 1894
No. 6768

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From
The Director of Public Instruction
Madras

To
The Commandant of H. E. the
Governor's Body Guard,
Madras.

Sir,

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submitted a proposal to Government that the
Students of the college of Engineering, Madras,
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(Sd) A. Monro.

Ag: Director of Public Instruction

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No 241 Dated 10th August 1894.

From

Lieut B. J. H. Humfrey.

Adjutant Body guard.

To

The Director of Public Instruction.

Madras.

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(By order)

(Sd) B. J. H. Humfrey

Lieutenant

Adjutant Body guard.

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Ag: Director of Public Instruction

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To

The Public Works Dept.

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Proceedings, dated 19 September 1894
No. 693.

Subject.

Approving the proposal that students of the College of Engineering should go through a short course of riding while under training in the Workshops.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated 5-10-94

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G.O. 4 October 1894 No. 2476W

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