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7TH AUGUST 1895, No. 1954 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following papers:—

From H. IRWIN, Esq., C.I.E., Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated 18th June 1895, No. 1113.

With reference to the marginally-noted estimates sanctioned by me under minor original works during January 1895 in connection with the General Hospital buildings at Madras, the Examiner wanted to know why these items should not be sanctioned as one estimate. In reply, I stated that it is not convenient to do this, inasmuch as the estimates referred to were prepared on separate requisitions received on different dates for different portions of the building, and that, if every requisition that comes in be added to the first, there would be no end to the estimate, and that I should be exceeding my powers of sanction ultimately.

2. With reference to my reply, the Examiner draws my attention to Public Works Department Code, Volume I, Chapter VII, paragraph 31, and IX, paragraphs 48, 49 and 58, and states that all sanctions during any one financial year connected with any one work or project shall be looked upon as supplemental to one another in order to check piece-meal sanctions beyond the powers of the sanctioning authority.

3. I annex hereto a memorandum of the estimates sanctioned by me during 1894-95 under minor original works in connection with the General Hospital buildings, from which you will see that, if the Examiner's instructions had been carried out, I should have exceeded my powers of sanction when sanctioning the estimates amounting to Rs. 1,420 on 24th September 1894, as each successive estimate commencing with the first estimate for Rs. 87 was sanctioned by me before the one immediately preceding it was completed; and under the Examiner's ruling both the above estimate for Rs. 1,420 and each succeeding estimate will necessarily need the sanction of Government.

4. Then again, if the Examiner's suggestion is to be adopted, the nomenclature in the accounts and returns of the whole 13 estimates referred to in the accompanying memorandum will be that of the first estimate for Rs. 87, viz., "Providing designation boards," and although the amount of each subsequent estimate will be added to the above amount, yet the outlay on the whole 13 works will be recorded against the above work, and it will be difficult to tell what each of the other works actually cost.

5. As the necessity for each of the estimates referred to in the accompanying memorandum could not be foreseen when the estimate immediately preceding it was sanctioned, and as there was no intention on my part to evade the rules limiting my powers of sanction, I beg that you will kindly obtain the sanction of Government to a continuance of the existing arrangements which have been in force for years and found to work well.

6. If, on the other hand, you cannot see your way to comply with my request, I beg that you will kindly have my powers of sanction, in respect of minor original works, increased from Rs. 2,500 to Rs. 10,000 under Public Works Department Code, Volume I, Chapter III, paragraph 51, or that I may be permitted to submit for the sanction of Government at the close of each year, one consolidated estimate, when the total outlay during any one financial year connected with any one work or project, exceeds Rs. 2,500.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 13th July 1895, No. 2503 D/A.

[Your office-note No. 2129 C., dated 26th June 1895.]

In the circumstances stated by the Consulting Architect to Government, it certainly appears desirable that his powers of sanction should be increased to any amount that Government may consider necessary within a limit of Rs. 10,000 (Code I, III, 51); but, even with such increased powers, it would simplify accounting considerably if only one estimate could be sanctioned for each building at the commencement of every official year, and if further work found necessary in connection with that building were sanctioned on estimates supplementary to it. This would be in strict accordance with Code I, VII, 31.

2. The list that accompanied the Consulting Architect's letter shows that 13 separate estimates, aggregating Rs. 4,131, were sanctioned during 1894-95 for one and the same building; and this, though not intended as such, was clearly a violation of the rule in Code I, IX, 58. The sanction of Government is necessary to cover this.

3. Of the 13 estimates, two only were for sums between Rs. 1,400 and Rs. 1,700; 5 for sums between Rs. 100 and Rs. 270; and 6 for sums between Rs. 16 and Rs. 90; but for each of them separate works-abstracts had to be prepared, each of them had to be separately accounted for in (a) registers of works and (b) the monthly schedule of expenditure submitted to audit, and excesses on each had to be separately noticed in audit. But under the procedure recommended in paragraph 1 above, each of these operations would be reduced to one; and in the works-abstracts and the registers only the two items of Rs. 1,600 and Rs. 1,420 would be accounted for as separate sub-heads of the work, the other eleven being grouped together, being under Rs. 500 each (Code II, II, 103).

4. The difficulty as to nomenclature pointed out in paragraph 4 of the Consulting Architect's letter could be easily met by sanctioning the original estimate as for "minor additions, &c., to the General Hospital and connected buildings."

ORDER—dated 7th August 1895, No. 1954 W., Public Works.

The Government considers that the Examiner's contention is correct, and that all estimates for improvements to a single building in any official year must be considered as one work, that first sanctioned being the original estimate, and subsequent sanctions as supplemental thereto.

2. The difficulty as regards nomenclature may be met as suggested in paragraph 4 of the Examiner's note.

3. In order to avoid unnecessary reference to Government for sanction to minor works the powers of sanction of the Consulting Architect will be raised to Rs. 5,000 under Public Works Code I, III, 51.

4. The Examiner is authorized to pass the expenditure referred to in paragraph 2 of his note.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Architect to Government.
Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Govt. of {1895} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

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G.O., 7th Aug. 1895, No. 1954 W.

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Powers of sanction

Ruling that all estimates for improvements to a single building in any official year must be considered as one work, and raising the — of the Consulting Architect to Rs. 5,000.

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Office of the Consulting Architect to Govt.,
Chepauk, Madras.
15th June 1895.

28 JUN 1895

From

Henry Irwin, Esq., C. J. C.,

Consulting Architect

to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer

Public Works Department.

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102.	General shaft: brassy: —	at location to shaft at Swallow & Buff in woods at the — No 110.
103 C.	—	Opening out covered drain preceding prospect walk in front of outpatient Dispensary No 196.
107	—	Cutting up 2 staves in the 3 ^d story having Officers' Quarters — No 44.
112	—	Setting Ventilating shaft in outpatient room — No 21.
113	—	Setting galvanized iron wire netting to steel windows of store room — No 25.

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2. With reference to my reply, the Examiner draws my attention to P.W.D. Code Vol. I. ch: VII para 31 and IX paras 48, 49 & 58 and states, that all

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sanctions during any one financial year connected with any one work or project shall be looked upon as supplemental to one another in order to check piecemeal sanctions beyond the powers of the sanctioning authority.

3. I annex hereto a memo' of the estimates sanctioned by me during 94-95 under minor original works in connection with the General Hospital buildings from which you will see, that if the Examiner's instructions had been carried out, I should have exceeded my powers of sanction when sanctioning the estimates amounting to Rs 1420 on 24-9-94, as each successive estimate commencing with the first estimate for Rs 87 was sanctioned by me before the one immediately preceding it was completed and under the Examiner's ruling both the above estimate for Rs 1420 and each succeeding estimate, will necessarily need the sanction of Government.

4. Then again, if the Examiner's suggestion is to be adopted, the nomenclature in the accounts and returns of the whole 13 estimates referred to in the accompanying memo' will be that of the first estimate for Rs 87 viz "Providing designation boards" and although the amount of each subsequent estimate will be added to the above amount, yet, the outlay on the whole 13 works will be recorded against the above work and it will be difficult

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6. If on the other hand, you cannot see your way to comply with my request, I beg that you will kindly have my powers of sanction, in respect of minor original works, increased from Rs 2500 to Rs 10,000 under P.W. & code Vol: I, Ch: III para 51, or, that I may be permitted to submit for the sanction of Government at the close of each year, one consolidated estimate, when the total outlay during any one financial year, connected with any one work or project, exceeds Rs 2500.

I have the honor to be
Sir

your most obedient servant

Henry Davis

Consulting Architect
to Government

Public Works Department.

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Engineer
P. W. D.

No. 1113

Dated

Received

18th } June 1895.

No. of ENCLOSURES. /

Subject.

Requesting to obtain the
sanction of Govt. for the
continuance of the existing
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Estimates: prepared on separate
requisitions on different dates
for different portions of
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No. 2129 C dated 26 June 1895.

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For favour of
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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 13 July 1895.

OFFICE NOTE No. 2503 $\frac{2}{A}$

To

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P. W. CURRENT No. 5

No 1954 W 7 August 1895

Read the following:—

From the Consulting Architect to Govt
 Rs 1113 of 18 June 1895
 " Examiner P. W. accounts Rs 2503 of 13 July 95

FOR ORDERS.

The Examiner's contention that all estimates for the work on ^{the} same building should be looked upon as one, is undoubtedly correct, but as pointed out by Mr Irwin to enforce this rule would involve frequent references to Government, as the totals of minor estimates required for a large building frequently amount to more than Rs 2,500 which is his present limit of sanction.

2. The circumstances of the Presidency town are different from those of other stations as it contains a number of

necessary to cover this.

3. Of the 13 estimates, two only were for sums between Rs. 1,400 and Rs. 1,700; 5 for sums between Rs. 100 & Rs. 270; and 6 for sums between Rs. 10 & Rs. 90; but for each of them separate works-abstracts had to be prepared, each of them had to be separately accounted for in (a) registers of works and (b) the monthly schedule of expenditure submitted to audit, and excesses on each had to be separately noticed in audit. But under the procedure recommended in para I, above, each of these operations would be reduced to one; and in the works-abstracts and the registers only the two items of Rs. 1,665 and Rs. 1,420 would be accounted for as separate sub-heads of the work, the other eleven being grouped together, being under Rs. 500 each (Code II. II. 153).

4. The difficulty as to nomenclature pointed out in para 4 of the Consulting Architect's letter could be easily met by sanctioning the original estimate as for "Minor additions, etc., to the General Hospital and connected buildings".

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of large buildings which require frequent small additions and improvements; this constitutes a good ground for giving the Consulting Architect higher powers ^{than those} exercised by an ordinary Superintending Engineer, and another reason is furnished by Mr Irwin's personal position, his length of service, and the fact that this Government has recommended him for the rank of Chief Engineer.

3. The Government has authority to increase the Suptg. Engineer's powers of sanction to any limit up to Rs 10,000; I believe I am the only officer who as a Superintending Engineer has held powers up to this limit, but that was only on account of the peculiar conditions of the Arayar Project, of which I was then in charge.

4. For the present it will

will I think be sufficient if Mr Irwin be given powers up to Rs 5,000; these powers will of course be bestowed upon him personally and will be reconsidered when his successor is appointed.

5. The draft herewith submitted provides for giving effect to the above proposals.

This draft was
written by W. A. B. A. R.
C. A. B. S.
31/7/95

C. A. B. S.
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S. W.

FOR ORDERS.

Memo of Estimates sanctioned during 1894-95 in connection with the General Hospital buildings under Minor original works.

Power of sanction of the Consulting Architect

Register No. & Date of Sanction	Name of work	28 JUN 1895 ACCOUNT	Amount of Estimate	When Completed
5 5-4-94	Providing designation boards	c	87	September 1894
34 23-7-94	Removing tiled roof and substituting terrace roof of the men waiting room	x	1665	December 1894
49 18-8-94	Opening out covered drain and erecting parapet wall in front of Outpatients Department		126	November
50 20-8-94	Laying water pipe to latrine at north west end of compound	c	16	September 94
65 24-9-94	Constructing new coach house and stalls for Resident Surgeon	A	1420	February 1895
93 7-12-94	Painting bamboo matted walls of N.I. Surgical shed	c	38	February 1895
102 12-1-95	Alteration to steps at Travellagan and Sufferin wards	B	110	February 1895
103 12-1-95	Opening out covered drain and erecting parapet wall in front of Outpatients dispensary	B	196	February 1895
107 21-1-95	Putting up two stoves in the 3 rd Story Native officers quarters	c	444	March 1895
112 4-2-95	Fitting ventilating shaft in Outpatients room	c	21	March 1895
113 4-2-95	Fitting galvanized iron wire netting to windows of store room	c	25	March 1895
117 8-2-95	Improvements to floor of No. 3 latrine	B	117	April 1895
147 25-3-95	Providing screen doors for nursing quarters	B	266	In progress

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

From the C. A. to Govt (H.C.P. 1113 of 18 June 1895)
Printed "Enamined P.H.A. (" " 2503 of 13 July 1895)
with The Government
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The Government considers that the Examiners contention is correct, and that all estimates for improvements to a single building in any official year must be considered as one work, that first sanctioned being the original estimate, and subsequent sanctions as supplemental thereto.

2. The difficulty as regards nomenclature may be met as suggested in para 4 of the examining note.

3. In order to avoid
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The first point to be decided is whether in second process should be wanted to the Com. Architect, & if so to what extent. He has power now up to \$2500.

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that Code rules should
be at hand to in
sanctioning estimates for
work on the same
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C. A. having been recommended for the rank of Chief Engineer he might, with consistency, be given increased powers up to the limit prescribed for Superintending Engineers. In regard to sanctioning Estimates for work on the same building he should observe Code rules.

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No 1954 W of 7 August 1895

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The draft submitted submitted provide for the effect to the above judgments.

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the Consulting Architect
will be raised to Rs 5,000
under P.W code I. III. 57.

4. The Examiner is
authorised to pass the
expenditure referred to
in para 2 of his note.

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