

Public Works (1896) Department.

G.O., No. 2172^W

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[Despatch Abstract.]

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I have the honour to inform you that it has hitherto been the practice to charge other departments a royalty for gravel and stone removed from quarries in the neighbourhood of Dowlaishweram which have for many years been in the possession of the Public Works Department.

2. Our right to this royalty has now been disputed on the grounds that the quarries in question are not exclusively reserved for the use of the Public Works Department (*vide* G.O., No. 508, Revenue, dated 20th May 1892), and it is maintained that all fees levied by us since the passing of the Government Order should be refunded.

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4. There is nothing however on record to show the authority under which the land was acquired by the Public Works Department and it now seems desirable that certain quarries should be reserved by Government for the sole use of the Public Works Department.

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(True Extract.)

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2. The claim for the refund of the royalty already collected from the Local Fund
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3. The Superintending Engineer has sent me a list of the quarries proposed to be
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ENCLOSURE.

List of Quarries which should be reserved for the exclusive use of the Public Works
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1. Dowlaishweram quarries and Tram Lines.—These have been in the possession of this
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3. The Board does not consider that any refund of the royalty already collected
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(True Copy and Extract.)

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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
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