

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 2374

DATED 26th August 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Restriction of Expenditure: Pro: Public Dept Comtg,
all heads of departments under that depart-
ment P.W. Pro on Govt of India telegram
authorising the order relating to Provincial
and Local Road works, recorded

J.C.
26/8/97

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Comd to all Heads of Dept
under the Public Dept
Pro P.W.D. 2121W0697
re restriction of expendi-
ture on Prov & Local Fund
works.

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2121. W	3-8-97
1986 W	23-7-97

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Public

DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper :—

Proceedings of the *Public Works* Department. No *2121*, dated *31st*
August 189*7*.

Order R. No. 1069, dated 14th August 1897.

4 Communicated ~~to the~~ in continuation of G. O. No. 907, Public, dated 8th July 1894, to all Heads of Depart-
ments under the Public Department.
2. G. O. No. 1986 W, dated 23rd July 1894, was not
communicated to this Department.
(True Extract.)

John
for Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.
all Heads of Departments under the Public Dept

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Government {189 } of Madras.

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G. O , R No. , dated 189 .

Subject.

Communicating Proceedings of the Department
regarding

GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Government {1897} of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

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G.O., No. 2121 W., 3rd August 1897.

AUGUST.

Restriction of Expenditure

Government of India telegram withdrawing the orders regarding — on Provincial and Local Fund works and stating that orders regarding Imperial expenditure will follow, communicated to the officers concerned.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following papers :—

Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 24th July 1897, No. 138 A.G.

Orders issued in Public Works Department telegram 106 A.G., dated 19th June regarding restriction of expenditure withdrawn as regards Provincial and Local Fund works. Orders regarding Imperial expenditure will follow.

From A. R. BECHER, Esq., Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Account—General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 24th July 1897, No. 139 A.G.

In continuation of Public Works Department telegram No. 138 A.G., dated 24th July 1897, reproduced in the margin, withdrawing the orders regarding restriction of expenditure as regards works constructed from Provincial and Local funds, I am directed to explain that, although the present orders may be considered as actually removing the restriction of outlay from Provincial and Local funds, yet it is desirable that the withdrawals from treasury should, for the present, be kept as low as is consistent with adherence to the budget programme of expenditure.

2. As regards Imperial expenditure orders will shortly follow.

ORDER—No. 2121 W., dated 3rd August 1897.

Communicated to the officers concerned with reference to G.Os., Nos. 1712 W. and 1986 W., dated 28th June and 23rd July 1897, respectively.

2. Orders regarding Imperial expenditure will be awaited.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.

- „ the Consulting Architect to Government.
- „ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
- „ the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
- „ the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
- „ the Revenue Department.
- „ the Financial Department.
- „ the Public Department.
- „ the Judicial Department.
- „ the Ecclesiastical Department.
- „ the Educational Department.
- „ the Local and Municipal Department.

with copy of G.O., No. 1712 W., dated 28th June 1897.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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G.O., No. 1986 W., 23rd July 1897.

JULY.

Withdrawals from the Treasury

Ordered that information in regard to the estimated reduction in — up to the 31st December 1897, by the postponement of works and repairs be wired to the Government of India and the officers of the department directed to restrict accordingly their — up to 31st December.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—again the following paper:—

Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 19th June 1897, No. 106 A.G.

In reference to Public Works Department letter 128 A.G. of 7th November 1896 your Government is requested pending withdrawal this notice to restrict expenditure in all branches Public Works Department to postpone repairs where possible and to avoid commencement any new works without previous reference to Government of India. Please wire estimate what reduction withdrawals from treasury will result from this retrenchment up to 31st December.

READ—also the following papers:—

Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 1st July 1897, No. 114 A.G.

Public Works Department number 106 A. M. 19th June—Restriction of expenditure. Information urgently required especially as regards Imperial expenditure.

Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 16th July 1897, No. 133 A.G.

Public Works Department telegrams 106 and 114 A.G., dated 19th June and 1st July—Restriction of expenditure. Wire figures affecting Imperial grants by details of works.

Replies from the Superintending and Executive Engineers.

ORDER—No. 1986 W., dated 23rd July 1897.

In the telegram first read above the Government of India directed that, pending withdrawal of notice, expenditure in all branches of the Public Works Department should be restricted, that repairs where possible should be postponed, and that no new works should be commenced without previous reference to that Government. An estimate was also called for as to what reduction of withdrawals from the treasury would result from this retrenchment, up to 31st December next.

2. These orders were communicated to the department for information and guidance in G.O., No. 1712 W., dated 28th June 1897. In the subsequent telegram of the 16th July, the Government of India requested that the figures affecting Imperial grants should be wired by details of works.

3. The statement attached to these Proceedings has been compiled from information submitted by Executive and Superintending Engineers, and shows the reductions of withdrawals from the treasury, so far as can be gathered from the figures reported, which are not, in all cases, as clear as they might be.

4. The information will be wired to the Government of India in continuation of the preliminary reply forwarded on the 17th July 1897, and officers of the Department concerned will restrict accordingly their withdrawals from the treasury up to the 31st December.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Superintending Engineers.
„ the Consulting Architect.
„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ the Financial Department.

APPENDIX.

STATEMENT showing the estimated reduction in withdrawals from treasury up to 31st December 1897 by the postponement of works and repairs.

Circles	Divisions.	Imperial.							Other funds.
		Military.	Civil Works.			Irrigation.			
			Postal.	Telegraph.	Meteorological.	49. Capital.	42. Extensions and improvements, &c.	35. Protective works.	
I	Ganjám ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(a) 89,000
	Vizagapatam ..	2,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Gódvári Eastern ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Do. Western ..	..	..	..	..	(b) 3,100	..	..	(c) 2,750
	Do. Central ..	..	..	..	..	15,000	..	..	
II	Kistna Northern ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Do. Eastern ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Do. Western ..	..	..	..	..	(c) 19,400	..	..	10,000
	Nellore ..	..	..	..	..	47,000	26,750	..	47,382
	Buckingham Canal ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III	Bellary ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	85,000
	Cuddapah ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Kurnool ..	..	300	..	..	(d) 26,000	..	..	
IV	Coimbatore ..	2,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,67,000
	Salem ..	150	350	..	..	..	..	..	
	North Arcot ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	West Coast ..	15,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	40,000
V	Chingleput ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20,000
	South Arcot ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
	Tanjore ..	..	..	..	..	(e) 80,000	..	..	
	Negapatam ..	..	..	..	..	3,000	..	..	47,000
VI	Madura ..	..	..	..	32,000	(f) 59,000	..	..	99,700
	Tinnevely ..	..	(g) 500	..	..	..	7,000	..	
	Trichinopoly ..	..	..	..	..	2,000	2,000	..	
	Architect ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Total ..	19,150	1,150	..	32,000	2,10,400	79,850	..	6,07,832
					3,42,550				

(a) Rupees 19,900 is the probable reduction, but by stopping works Rs. 89,000 is anticipated. The latter figure has been adopted.

	Rs.
(b) Extensions, improvements, &c. ..	2,000
Tools and plant ..	1,100
Total ..	3,100

(c) Reply has not yet been received. Figures have been taken from the telegrams already received from the Executive Engineer.

(d) (Kurnool-Cuddapah canal). Minor works grant not distributed (Rs. 1,000 under reserve) has been included.

(e) Cauvery Delta system.

(f) If the reconstruction of the Periyár head sluice be postponed a further sum of Rs. 10,000 will become available.

(g) Does not say Postal or Telegraph, but taken under Postal.