

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 2438 W

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Military Minor Works. Offering remarks in
reference to the respective sanctioning powers of the
S. & T. Civil and the General Officer Commanding the Southern
District in connection with ~~the~~ statement of — submitted
by the former Officer for allotment of funds by the latter,
and requesting the Lieut. General Commanding the Forces
to draw the attention of General Officer Commanding Division
and distribute to ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~the~~ 25th July 1893 ^{laying down the}
procedure to be followed in regard to sanction of
estimates & provision of funds for works up to
Rs. 2500.

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SEPTEMBER.

Military Minor Works

Offering remarks in regard to the respective sanctioning powers of the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, and the General Officer Commanding the Southern District in connection with a statement of — submitted by the former officer for allotment of funds by the latter, and requesting the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces to draw the attention of General Officers Commanding divisions and districts to G.O., No. 1940 W., dated 26th July 1893, laying down the procedure to be followed in regard to sanction of estimates and provision of funds for works up to Rs. 2,500.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

READ—the following paper:—

From Brigadier-General E. J. LUGARD, General Officer Commanding Southern District, to the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command, dated Wellington, 6th July 1897, No. 2546 B.

I have the honour to inform you that the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, submitted a list of minor works for my sanction, the majority of which are estimated to cost over Rs. 500.

I returned the list and referred him to paragraph 26, Bengal Barrack Regulations, Section I, from which it appears a General Officer Commanding a division or district has not power to sanction expenditure on works in excess of Rs. 500. In reply he states the rule quoted does not appear to apply in this instance (*vide* his letter, herewith attached). As I am doubtful on this point I would solicit a ruling.

ENCLOSURE.

From Lieutenant-Colonel O. V. BODDY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, to the Assistant Adjutant-General, Southern District, dated Trichinopoly, 24th June 1897, No. 1135 T.C.

In returning herewith the statement of requirements on account of Imperial—Military Works, &c., received with your No. 2302, dated 14th instant, I have the honour to inform you that the rule quoted therein appears to refer to sanction of expenditure by an Officer Commanding a division or district and not to the grant of allotments from minor works placed at the disposal of the General Officer Commanding Southern District (*vide* paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 1016 W., dated 10th April 1897).

2. The works included in the statement under reference are not incomplete works of last year but new works (minor) all but the last

• Estimate forwarded to the Officer Commanding 23rd Regiment, W.L.I., Trichinopoly, with letter No. 498 T.C., dated 31st March 1896.

• one, sanctioned with the approval and counter-signature of the General Officer in previous years but not commenced for want of funds.

3. If all or any of the works included in the statement are required to be carried out during the current official year, I request that you will be good enough to make necessary arrangements to obtain the required allotments for the same.

No. B./M.N. 12608.

Referred for favour of opinion as to whether or not the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, is correct in his contention.

2. Paragraph 26, Bengal Barrack Regulations, quoted by the General Officer Commanding Southern District, of which a copy is enclosed, is almost identical with paragraph 22, Chapter X, Volume II, Public Works Department Code, and both these

would appear to refer to minor works also, and this office knows of no authority empowering General Officers Commanding districts, in amplification of the above-quoted regulations, to sanction expenditure on account of minor works costing over Rs. 500 each.

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16th August 1897.

(Signed) P. NEVILLE, Colonel,
for Dy. Adjt.-General.

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department.

ENCLOSURE.

EXTRACT from Bengal Barrack Regulations, Section I, General Regulations.

26. The following officers have power to sanction expenditure, whether for new works, additions, or alterations, within the undermentioned limits and subject to the conditions prescribed in the following paragraphs:—

An Officer Commanding a division or district—Rs. 500 for each work.
Do. a brigade or station— „ 200 do.

ORDER—No. 2438 W., dated 2nd September 1897.

The contention of the Superintending Engineer is correct. What that officer wanted was an allotment of funds to minor works costing over Rs. 500, and not sanction to estimates for those works, he himself being vested with power to sanction estimates up to Rs. 2,500. If the General Officer Commanding the Southern District is satisfied as to the necessity for the works brought forward by the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, the former should provide the required funds from the grant placed at his disposal, which is intended to meet the demands for all minor works, irrespective of the amount involved.

2. Paragraph 26 of the Bengal Barrack Regulations which is identical with paragraph 22, Chapter X, Volume II, of the Public Works Code, lays down Rs. 500 as the limit up to which estimates can be sanctioned by General Officers Commanding divisions and districts, and there is no regulation or order raising this limit.

3. His Excellency the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces will be requested to draw the attention of all General Officers Commanding divisions and districts to G.O., No. 1940 W., dated 26th July 1893, which lays down the procedure to be followed in regard to sanction of estimates and provision of funds for works costing up to Rs. 2,500.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.

„ other Superintending Engineers.

„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

„ the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command,

for the information of His Excellency the
Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces.

Ed. A. F. Eccleston.

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Papers to be read in proceedings:—

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Current No. 8263 of 1897, dated 16 Augt 1897, from the Dy. Adjutant General Madras Command

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ORDER. No. 2438A, of 2-9-97

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2. ^{Bengal} Para 26 of the Baraek Regulations which is identical with para 22, Chapter X, Vol II of the P.W. Code, lays down Rs 500 as the limit up to which estimates can be sanctioned by the General Officers commanding Divisions and Districts, and there is no regulation or order raising this limit

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To The S. E. VI Circle
Other S. Ees.
Esar. P. W. Ault
Lt. Deputy Adjutant General
Madras Command for the in-
formation of H.E. the Lt. General
commanding the Forces

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 8263

Order

From The Dy. Adjutant General
Madras Command.

No. B.M.W.
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Dated 16th August 1897

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SUBJECT.

Minor Works. Refers for favour of opinion certain correspondence on the subject of powers of sanction as to expenditure on — vested in the General Officers Commanding D^{ts}

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16th August 1897

The Secretary to the Government of Madras
Public Works Department

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whether or not the Superintending Engineer's Circular
is correct in his contention.

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identical with para 22 Chapter X Volume II
Public Works Department Code and both these would
appear to refer to Minor Works also, and this office
knows of no authority empowering General Officers
Commanding Districts in amplification of the above
quoted regulations, to sanction expenditure on
account of Minor Works costing over Rs. 500 each.

Thurley Colonel
Asst. Secy. to the General
For Dy. Asst. General
D.R.W.

Dated 10 April 1897.

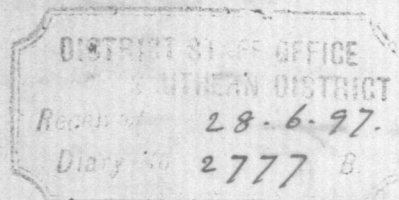
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* Estimate forwarded
to the officer Commanding
23 Regt. W. L. I. Trichinopoly
with letter No. 49872 dated
31 March 1896.

3. If all or any of the works included in the
statement are required to be carried out during
the current official year, I request that you will
be good enough to make necessary arrangements
to obtain the required allotments for the same.

I have the honor to be
Sir.

Yours most obedt. Servant.



J. P. No. 1111 Lt. Col. R. B.
Superintendent, to be

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No. 1135.T.C.

From Lt Col. O. V. Boddie R.E.
Superintending Engineer, 6th Circle,
Trichinopoly.

To The Asst. Adjt. General
Sonthum District
Willington.

Station Trichinopoly

Dated 24th
Despd. 25 } June 1897

Enclosures. 1.

Sir,

In returning herewith the statement of requirements on account of Imperial Military Works &c received with your No. 2302 dated 14th Instant, I have the honor to inform you that the Rule quoted therein appears to refer to sanction of expenditure by an Officer Commanding a Division or district and not to the grant of allotments from Minor Works placed at the disposal of the General Officer Commanding Sonthum District. Vide para 4 of G.O. No. 10162. Stated

Extract from Bengal Barrack Regulations. Section 1-General Regulations

26. The following officers have power to sanction expenditure, whether for new works, additions, or alterations, within the under-mentioned limits and subject to the conditions prescribed in the following paragraphs:-

An Officer Commanding a Division or district,
Rs. 500 for each work.

An Officer Commanding a brigade or station,
Rs. 200 for each work.

True extract.

W. Reay. Captain
Dy. Asst. Adjutant General
Madras Command
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