

Public Works (1897) Department.

✓ G.O., No. 3303 W

DATED 26 Nov 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Incidence of cost of clerical and accounts
Establishment, Considering that the rule con-
tained in Rule 6 sub clause II of clause VI, para
104, Chapter IX, Vol I of the P.W. Code relative to the
costs of an existing office and employed in
connection with famine relief works is quite
clear and does not admit of any restrictive
application, and directing accordingly that it
be adhered to.

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Considering that the rule contained in note to sub-clause (ii) of clause VI, paragraph 104, Chapter IX, Volume I of the Public Works Code, relative to the — of an existing office and employed in connection with famine-relief works is quite clear and does not admit of any restrictive application ; and directing accordingly that it be adhered to.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following papers:—

From H. E. CLERK, Esq., Executive Engineer, Bellary Division, to the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 23rd October 1897, No. 8908 B.

Under the note to sub-clause (ii) of clause VI, paragraph 104, Chapter IX, Volume I of the Public Works Code, introduced by Standing Order No. 238 of 1897, additions to the clerical and accounts establishment of an existing office, even though wholly employed in connection with famine-relief works, should be charged to the ordinary head.

2. With reference to the above standing order, the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, has asked that a detailed statement showing the discharges to end of September 1897 that, under this ruling, will have to be written back from "33. Famine Relief" to "Provincial," may be furnished. Applying the letter of the rule to this division, the cost of the clerical and accounts establishment employed in this office, as well as in the office of the sub-division held by Mr. R. Gopala Iyer, Assistant Engineer, will have to be debited to "Provincial" with the result that the ordinary establishment charges of the division will be unduly enhanced, so much so that it may be necessary to apply for an additional allotment of funds under Provincial, Ordinary, to meet the adjustments. This, in my opinion, could not have been intended.

3. It appears to me that the rule was framed to meet the incidence of clerical and accounts establishments employed in an ordinary division which, in addition to its own work for the most part, also executed famine-relief works on a comparatively small scale, notwithstanding the fact that the establishments of these classes were wholly employed in connection with correspondence and accounting of famine-relief works.

4. The circumstances of this division are quite different. Owing to the abnormally large number of famine-relief works in the Bellary and Anantapur districts that had to be attended to the ordinary operations of the department have, I may say, been practically suspended. It seems reasonable, therefore, that the cost of the entire establishment—Engineer, Upper and Lower Subordinate, petty and office establishments including accounts, ordinary and special, due to famine—should be charged to "33. Famine Relief." The present practice, however, has been to debit the pay and allowances, including travelling allowance of the establishment that existed in this division, prior to the advent of famine, to the ordinary head (*vide* G.O., No. 1204 W., dated 10th May 1897), and any additional debit to this head on account of clerical and

accounts establishments entertained solely in connection with famine-relief works does not appear equitable. If my view of the case as explained in paragraph 3 above is correct, no adjustment will be necessary and I have the honour to request that you will obtain definite orders of Government on the subject.

ENCLOSURES.

From E. A. DENNYS, Esq., Examiner, Public Works Accounts, to the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division, dated 21st October 1897, No. 759 A./E.

With reference to note to sub-clause (ii) of clause VI, paragraph 104, Chapter IX, Volume I of the Public Works Department Code, introduced by Standing Order No. 238 of 1897, under which additions to the clerical and accounts establishment of an existing office, although employed solely in connection with famine-relief works, should be charged to the ordinary head, I have the honour to request that you will, with the famine salary bill for October 1897, furnish a detailed statement showing the charges to end of September 1897 that, under this ruling, will have to be written back from "33. Famine relief" to "Provincial."

2. The statement may be drawn up in the accompanying form and should include only such establishment of the classes indicated as have been employed in the Divisional and Sub-divisional offices that existed prior to the advent of famine. The clerical establishment engaged for newly-formed famine sub-divisions and temporary clerks appointed under Upper Subordinates, who were either transferred or appointed to the division for famine duty will, as heretofore, be charged to "33. Famine relief."

3. The statement should be put in hand at once so that there may be no delay in forwarding it with the salary bill for October 1897, and the necessary write-back from "Famine relief" to "Provincial" should be carried out in the accounts for October 1897.

4. A similar statement should be furnished with the travelling allowance bill for October 1897, showing the write-back to be made on that account.

5. The salary and travelling allowance bills for October 1897 and subsequent months should be drawn up as hitherto, *i.e.*, there should be no change in the existing practice but with each bill a statement should be submitted showing the amounts debitable to "Provincial."

DIVISION.

STATEMENT showing the Clerical and Accounts Establishment employed up to the end of September 1897 solely on Famine duty in offices that were in existence prior to the advent of famine, and whose salary and allowances have under foot-note to sub-clauses (ii) of clause VI of paragraph 104, Chapter IX, Volume I of the Public Works Department Code, to be charged to "Provincial."

Name of rank.	Period for which employed.	Rate of salary.	Amount.	Remarks.
Executive Engineer's Office.				
Sub-Divisional Office.				
Sub-Divisional Office.				
Total to be written back from 33. Famine relief to Provincial to end of September 1897.				

A similar statement should be submitted for travelling allowances.

No. 3303 W., 26TH NOVEMBER 1897.

No. 4376 W.

Copy submitted to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, for favour of orders, through the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

2. As pointed out by the Executive Engineer, the application of the rule communicated with Standing Order No. 238 of 1897 will result in the ordinary establishment charges of the division being unduly enhanced. This probably was not intended.

(Signed) A. H. GARRETT,
Supg. Engineer, III Circle.

30th October 1897.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, Madras, dated 8th November 1897, No. 864 A./E.

Forwarded, with copy of Examiner's letter, No. 759 A./E., dated 21st October 1897, for favour of very early orders, with the remark that the orders of India contained in Volume I, Chapter IX, paragraph 104, clause VI, (ii) note, are clear, and there seems no reason why Bellary—more than any other division—should be exempted from their operation.

2. If additions to the clerical and accounts establishment of an existing office, though employed solely in connection with famine-relief works by being charged to the ordinary head, cause an excess in the existing Provincial grant for the division, the charges should be met by savings in other offices, or by an additional grant, if necessary.

ORDER—No. 3303 W., dated 26th November 1897.

The Government considers that the rule contained in the note to sub-clause (ii) of clause VI, paragraph 104, Chapter IX, Volume I of the Public Works Code, introduced by Standing Order No. 238 of 1897 is quite clear and gives no room for its restrictive application as suggested by the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division. It should therefore be adhered to.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.
„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. W. D'Moss.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

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Current No. 11187 of 1897, dated 8 November, from the Examiner
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P. T. O. for explanatory note

To S. Sec.

C. E. for Irrigation

C. E. for Railways

Exec. P. W. Accts

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Note to accompany the draft order
on C. No: 11187

It has been ruled in the
Note to subclause ii of clause VI,
para 104, Chapter IX, Vol I of the
P.W. Code introduced by Standing
Order No: 238 of 1897, that "additions
to the clerical and accounts estab-
lishment of an existing office
even though wholly employed
in connection with famine
relief works should be charged to
the ordinary head," and the Exa-
miner has accordingly called upon
the Executive Engineers of Famine
Divisions to furnish him with
statements showing the charges
which under this rule should be
written back from "Famine
Relief" to "Provincial."

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The Executive Engineer,
Bellary Division, contends that
the rule should have been intended
to apply only to those divisions

which, in addition to their own work, execute relief works on a comparatively small scale and that the circumstances of the Division are quite different, inasmuch as its ordinary operations have been practically suspended, owing to the abnormally large number of relief works that had to be taken up. He considers that the cost of the entire Engineer, Upper and Lower Subordinate, Petty, and Office Establishments, including that of ordinary and special Accounts Establishments should be charged to "33. Famine". He also states that the pay and travelling allowances of the establishment that existed prior to the advent of famine have hitherto been charged to the ordinary head, notwithstanding the fact that the establishment has been almost entirely employed in corresponding about and accounting for Famine Relief Works, and that additional debit to this

head on account of clerical and accounts establishments subsequently employed entertained solely in connection with Famine Relief Works does not appear equitable and will necessitate an additional allotment of funds to meet the adjustments. The Executive Engineer's views are concurred in by the Supty. Engr.

The Examiner in forwarding the above correspondence remarks that the rule is quite clear and that there is no reason why Bellary, more than any other Division, should be exempted from the operation of the rule. This would seem to imply that this Govt. is vested with a discretionary power to restrict the application of the rule in certain cases, which is apparently not contemplated by the Govt. of India. The rule is quite clear and any deviation from ~~which~~ it requires the sanction

of that Court. It should therefore
be adhered to.

If any additional grant is
required to cover the adjustments
that will have to be made
under the rule, it should be
provided, and the question will,
as usual, be considered later
in the year.

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The order should be
in India named
be addressed. For it
seems only right that
the estate should be
charged to furnish
relief.

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Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 11187

Order

From The Examiner P.W. Accounts,
Madras.

No. 864 A/E.

Dated 8th November 1897

Received 10. 11. 97

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SUBJECT.

Clerical and Accounts Establish-
ment employed on Famine duty—
Allocation of Charges of —

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Under the note to sub clause (ii) of clause VII para 106, Chapter IX Vol I of the P.W. Code introduced by S.O. No 238 of 1897, additions to the Clerical & Accounts establishment of an existing Office even tho' wholly employed in connection with famine relief works should be charged to the ordinary heads.

2. With reference to the above S.O., the Examiner P.W. Accounts has asked that a detailed statement showing the discharges to end of September 1897, that under this ruling, will have to be written back from "33 Famine Relief" to "Provincial", may be furnished. Applying the letter of the rule to this Division, the cost of the Clerical and Accounts Establishment employed in this Office as well as in the Office of the Sub Division held by Mr. R. Gopalrao Iyer, Assistant Engineer will have to be debited to "Provincial" with the result that the ordinary establishment charges of the Division will be unduly enhanced so much so, that it may be necessary to apply for an additional allotment of funds under Provincial Ordinary to meet the adjustments. This in my opinion, could not have been intended.

3. It appears to me that the rule was framed to meet the incidence of clerical and accounts establishments employed in an ordinary Division which in addition to its own work for the most part, also executed famine relief works on a comparatively small scale, notwithstanding the fact that the establishments of these classes were wholly employed in connection with correspondence and accounting of famine relief works.

4. The circumstances of this Division are quite different. Owing to the abnormally large number of famine relief works in the Bellary and Anantapur Districts that had to be attended to the ordinary operations of the Department have, I may say, been practically suspended. It seems reasonable therefore that the cost of the entire establishment Engineer, Upper and Lower subordinate, Petty and Office Establishments including accounts Ordinary and special due to famine should be charged to "33 Famine Relief." The present practice however has been to debit the pay and allowances including I. A. of the establishment that existed in this Division prior to the advent of famine, to the ordinary head vide G. O. No. 1204 W dated 10-5-97 and any additional debit to this head on account of clerical & accounts establishments entertained solely in connection with famine relief works does not appear equitable. In my view of the case as explained

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explained in para 3 above is correct, no adjustment will be necessary and I have the honour to request that you will obtain definite orders of Government on the subject.

LC
No. 4376 W & dated 30 October 1897

Copy submitted to the Chief Engineer, P. W. D. for favour of orders thro the Examiner, P. W. D.

2. As pointed out by the Executive Engineer the application of the rule communicated with S. O. No. 238 of 1897 will result in the ordinary establishment charges of the Division being unduly enhanced. This probably was not intended.

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Asst. Engineer, III Circle.

Public Works (1897) Department.

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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS. 1- NOV. 1897. No. 2310

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From the *Superintg. Engineer*
Belary

Order

No. 4376 W

Dated 30 October 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Establishment of Belary
On ordinary & special due
to famine

Forwards Parentine
Engineer's letter stating
that the cost of — should
be charged to 33 famine
relief under the circumstances
stated — for orders

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Name of rank	Period for which employed	Rate of Salary	Amount	Remarks
Executive Engineer's Office				
Sub Divisional Office				
Sub Divisional Office				
Total to be written back from 23 Famine Relief to Provincial to end of September 1897				

A similar Statement should be submitted for Travelling Allowances

~~Examiner: P. W. Leavelle, Madras.~~

From

E. A. Denny, Esquire

Examiner P. W. Accounts, Madras.

To

The Executive Engineer

Bellary Division

N^o. 759 A/E dated 21st October 1897

Sir,

With reference to note to Sub-clause (ii) of Clause III, para 104, Chapter IX, Volume I of the P. W. & Code, introduced by Standing Order N^o. 238 of 1897, under which, additions to the Clerical and Accounts Establishment of an existing office, although employed solely in connection with famine relief works should be charged to the ordinary head, I have the honor to request that you will, with the Famine Salary Bill for October 97, furnish a detailed statement showing the charges to end of September 97 that, under this ruling, will have to be written back from "33 Famine Relief" to "Provincial".

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The statement should be sent in hand at once so that there may be no delay in forwarding it with the salary Bill for October 97 showing the charges and the necessary write back from "Famine Relief" to "Provincial" should be carried out in the accounts for October 1897.

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bill a statement should be submitted showing the amount
debt to "Provincial"

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) E. A. Denny
Examiner P. W. Accounts, Madras.

(True Copy)

Mohamed Yacoub 8/11/97
Superintendent General Branch

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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 8th November 1897.

OFFICE NOTE No. 864 A/E.

To

E.W.

Superintending Engineer's (3rd.
Circle) Endorsement No. 4376 W, dated
30th. October 1897, on letter from the
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