

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 449 to

DATED 15. February 1897.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Revenue Relief Works: Pro: Revenue Dept
placing all - in Bhadrachalam Taluk Godavari
St under the control of the P.W.D., Comd with
remarks to D.I. I look for guidance, and Mr. J. L. L.
Parker as to temp. ordered to be deputed to the
Taluk at once.

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

N^o 449 Way 15.2.97

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

Pres. Rev. Dept No 24 Pres of 5 Feb 1897.

Communicated
to the Super-Super I
Circle for information &
guidance.

2. Mr. J. W. W. Parker,
Asst. Eng., should be
detached to the ~~charge~~
~~of the~~ ~~work~~ at once -
Another officer will be
sent to the I Circle
to take his place as
soon as possible - The
Supt. Eng. will make
immediate arrangements
to post the necessary
subordinate staff to
the works, and such
additional hands as
are absolutely required
for ordinary duties
be supplied by

Chief Clerk on the right -
basis application.

CHMS
13.2.97

13/2/97

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S.D.I. Circle }
Rev. Dept. }

note. Info copy should be sent
to the Chief Clerk - Printed
copies will be received from
Rev. Dept, on which the copies

15.2.8

note

In these papers
relief works in the
Bledrachalun table
of the S.D.I. Circle
have been placed
in charge of the Rev.
S.D.I. Circle
Rev. Dept. has
directed that

the Rev. Dept.
direct that an officer
of the S.D.I. Circle
at once be sent
to the table.

In order
whether the S.D.I.
may be directed
to place the
Parson in charge
of these works. He
might be told to
arrange as far as
possible with the
existing staff &
to apply for such
extra hands as
may be also -
later necessary

on these points being
decided. Proceedings
will be dropped.

Mr Parker will be
sent and another officer
will be sent to see to the
circle to take his place,
as soon as possible.
S.E. He informed accordingly.

13.2.97

Cus 1015

Relief in the
Shadrachellam Taluk
Rev. Dept. Comdg.
S.D. Mr. submitting
report on the condition
of the necessity for —
Godavari &c.

The above district of —
by B.S. 3025 & 2.2.97 sent up

The above was
sent to S.D. with Cus
1519 on 11.2.97

Nellapalli Taluk in
Shadrachellam Taluk —
S.E. 1 Circle stating
that an Estimate of Rs 1500
for the improvement of
the — has been sanctioned
as a famine relief work
& request that another
copy of the Rev. B.D. Resoln
No 15 of 8.1.97 may be
supplied —

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1538

From

The Revenue Dept.

Order

No. 74 Per

Dated 5th Feb. 1897

Received 11. 2. 97

Registered 11. 2. 97

Enclosures one

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Stating that orders will
issue in the Fin. Dept. for placing
Rs 30,000 at the disposal of the P.W.D.
for relief works in the Bhadrachalam
Tk, Godavari D., and placing all re-
lief works in the taluk under the control
of the P.W.D.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

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With reference to your endorsement, Ref. on C. No. 3825-Ver. of 1896, dated 14th December 1896, on B.P., No. 386, dated 3rd December 1896, I have the honour to report as follows:—

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5. The allotment for ordinary public works in Bhadrachalam is practically exhausted so that we shall want a grant of money for the relief works. No money can be spared from the allotments for the other divisions, for it is unwise to reduce the demand for labour there. As soon as the programme is received from the Tahsildar, I shall forward it with an estimate of the sum required. The works should be started as early as possible in January.

Endorsement by R. H. SHIPLEY, Esq., Acting Collector of Gódvári, dated 4th January 1897, Ref. No. 3825-Ver. of 1896.

Submitted to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture in continuation of this office letter No. 3825-Ver., dated 21st December 1896.

2. The further report promised by the Special Assistant Agent in paragraph 5 of his letter is awaited.

READ—also the following letter from J. W. HUGHES, Esq., Special Assistant Collector, Gódvári District, to the Collector, Cocanada, dated Rajahmundry, 5th January 1897, Ref. on C. No. 4805, and endorsement of the Collector of Gódvári, thereon, dated 9th January 1897, Ref. No. 4048-Ver. of 1896:—

In reply to your Ref. No. 4048-Ver., dated 23rd December 1896, I have the honour to submit my proposals for the opening of test-relief works in Bhadrachalam taluk.

2. The part most affected is the interior of the taluk to the west and north of Sabari. The number of people likely to require relief is estimated by the Tahsildar at 10,000. I propose, therefore, the following works:—

(i) Making a road from Singavaram through Tunikicherla to Bandirevu, thence to Yedugurallapalli, from thence to Pegha, Vankagudem and Chatti on the Buster frontier. An estimate is sent herewith. It is approximate and provides for cutting jungle, uprooting stumps and removing stones. The total is Rs. 4,800 at ordinary rates. At Famine Code rates, the work will provide employment for 1,000 men for one month and a half. Should it be found that large numbers of labourers are attracted, earth-work may be undertaken for the same road. The estimate for such work may be taken approximately at Rs. 475 a mile. The length of the road is about 40 miles. Total estimate for earthwork would, therefore, be about Rs. 19,000.

This work would make a very useful road through the interior.

(ii) Earthwork to the road from Waddigudem to Lakkavaram. This will provide labour for the inhabitants living to the east and south of the Sabari. Estimate (approximate) is submitted herewith amounting to Rs. 13,780 (at ordinary rates).

(iii) Bhadrachalam to Latchigudem—estimate for Rs. 2,000—is submitted.

These three are, I consider, the most suitable test works. I send, however, estimates for supplementary test works if found necessary—

(a) Road from Venkampalem to Gidiguppa.

(b) Road from Waddigudem to Chinturu (earthwork).

I request that sanction may be obtained and a sum of Rs. 30,000 be placed at our disposal to start these works. I have already explained in a former report that the works proposed in the famine relief programme of this office are not available, and, moreover, no sanctioned expenditure, which would give employment to labourers, remains unutilized in this taluk.

The works may be undertaken under the supervision of the Revenue Department. I propose that paymasters and maistries for the gangs in such number as may be found necessary be entertained. The Revenue Inspectors may be made to supervise the works on the different roads. Kitchens will also have to be opened in connection with the separate works and the necessary establishment entertained.

I have written to the Tahsildar to report at once what tools will be required and whence they may be obtained. I have also directed him to make arrangements so that grain may be supplied either by contract or any other suitable way. Some of the merchants in the riverside villages may be willing to contract for the supply of grain and this must be ascertained in good time beforehand.

It will be seen that the works for which estimates are now sent cost Rs. 47,672 in all. That is at ordinary rates. The cost of famine rates may be taken roughly to be Rs. 25,000 (i.e.) rather more than half. This should provide employment for 10,000 for one month. We must add some for gratuitous relief and supervision charges, &c. I have, therefore, asked for Rs. 30,000 at least. It would perhaps be wiser to ask for more, considering the long time that it takes for correspondence between Bhadrachalam, Cocanada and Madras. If half a lakh be sanctioned, 10,000 people could be kept on for about two months. The Tahsildar has been informed that the estimates sent up are insufficient and he has been called upon to devise a programme for giving employment to 10,000 people for six months. I request that the Forest Department may be asked to furnish estimates for the uprooting of stumps along the forest demarcation lines, a work which might also be taken up. The estimates should show also the direction of the lines.

Endorsement by R. H. SHIPLEY, Esq., Acting Collector of Gódvári, dated 9th January 1897, Ref. No. 4048-Ver. of 1896.

Submitted to the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement, &c., in continuation of this office, Ref. No. 3825-Ver. of 1896, dated 4th January 1897.

2. I concur with the Special Assistant Agent in thinking that distress is imminent in the interior of the Bhadrachalam taluk to the west and north of the Sabari. The following test relief works will be opened in order:—

(i) Road from Singavaram to Chatti—40 miles—estimate Rs. 4,800.

(ii) Road from Bhadrachalam (Chennammagudem) to Latchigudem—20 miles—estimate Rs. 2,000.

These two works consist of clearing jungle and uprooting stumps for the most part, a labour which is most congenial to the hill people and, if they are attracted to it, the necessity of starting the next work, which consists of earthwork, will be determined.

(iii) Earthwork to the road from Waddigudem to Lakkavaram—29 miles—estimate Rs. 13,780.

3. The number of persons for whom relief is likely to be required is reported to be about 10,000. I request that an allotment of Rs. 30,000 may be sanctioned at once, so that the test works may be taken in hand as early as possible. Of course, payment for labour will be made at the rates laid down in the Famine Code. The

Special Assistant Agent reports that there are no funds under sanctioned expenditure available to be utilized for the test-relief works. After some experience is gained on the above test works, I shall be in a position to report further on the subject of giving gratuitous relief and starting kitchens. For the present, the execution of the works will be managed by means of the ordinary staff, except that it may be necessary to appoint a few paymasters and maistries for the gangs. I am addressing the Superintending Engineer with regard to the number and description of tools required.

ENCLOSURE.

From the Sub-Divisional Officer, Bhadrachalam Range, to the District Forest Officer, Gódávári, dated Kunavaram, 22nd December 1896, E.C. No. 637.

In forwarding copy of the report called for in your R. C. No. 813, dated 13th December 1896, I have the honour to report that the slight rain that fell last month has improved the state of affairs here. The *manchi jonna* along the Gódávári between Kunavaram and Bhadrachalam will yield a fair crop and some of the *konda jonna* in the interior, a four-anna to eight-anna crop. But most of the *konda jona* will hardly yield anything, and there will be distress in the interior villages.

In the Rékapalli Range most of the people of the villages from Pulusumamidi to Gidiguppa and along the Gódávári down to Kollur will find work in cutting bamboos till the end of February or the middle of March and again after the south-west monsoon sets in and the internal will live on advances from the merchants. In the same manner, but to a smaller extent, will work be obtainable by the villagers between the hills and the rivers from Abbicherla on the Sabari to Gaviridevipet on the Gódávári. A very large number of Koyas in the Bhadrachalam Range are employed in cutting timber in the Buster forests. But I am told that the villagers in the north-east corner of the range have neither work nor crops.

In the northern half of the centre portion of the range and in the Marrigudem Range from Thati lanka westwards, the people will, I am told, have exhausted their food supplies by the end of February. In the Rékapalli Range, except in the portions mentioned above, the same state of things exists.

If the *Ippa* flowers abundantly, it will furnish a large supply of food. But what the season will prove cannot be known till February and March.

Test works may, I think, be commenced in February on the roads from Dumagudem and Bhadrachalam meeting at Singavaram and thence *via* Cherupalli, Bandirevu, Yedugurallapalli, &c., to the Sabari; on the road from Waddigudim to Lakkavaram and thence to Soccamamidi and Chinturu. Other works may be opened as occasion calls for.

RESOLUTION—dated 19th January 1897, No. 42.

Submitted for the information of Government in continuation of B.P., No. 18 of 1897.

2. As shown in the marginal table, the rainfall of the past season at Bhadrachalam

RAINFALL at Bhadrachalam.

Period.				Average.	1896-97.
				INCHES.	INCHES.
April	..	..	..	0.78	1.35
May	..	..	..	1.98	..
June	..	..	..	6.19	3.30
July	..	..	..	10.53	7.30
August	..	..	..	10.35	10.00
September	..	..	..	7.90	3.10
October	..	..	..	2.88	..
November	..	..	..	1.11	0.20

drought is stated to be preventing the hill people from obtaining their usual supplies of roots, and the Collector is of opinion that test-relief works should be opened. This has already been approved of in the Proceedings above quoted.

3. In his second letter read above, the Collector asks that Rs. 30,000 may be placed at his disposal for relief purposes; and proposes to carry on the relief works with the ordinary district staff. The Board recommends that the grant applied for may be made, but that of the sum Rs. 2,000 should be set aside for gratuitous relief at kitchens. It also considers that the Public Works Department should be called upon to supply the necessary professional staff for carrying out the works, payments being arranged for by the Revenue Department. The Public Works Department Officer deputed to the taluk should be directed to join at once, and having in view the remoteness of the locality should, the Board considers, be placed under the orders of the Special Assistant. He should be directed to prepare a reasonable code of tasks suitable to the work in hand and the people who come on the works, and to get it approved by the Special Assistant, who should, owing to the time a reference to the Collector under section 107 of the Code would require, be granted the powers of a Collector under that section. The Public Works Officer selected should place himself in communication with Mr. Ward and cordially invite his co-operation, for there is no one in the Gódávári Agency who has so much influence with, and so fully enjoys the confidence of, the Koyas as Mr. Ward.

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(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
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Copy to the Sanitary Commissioner.
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Exd. Shaik Karim.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Printed January 23rd.

Proceedings, 19th Jan. 1897, No. 42.

Bhadrachalam taluk.—Submitting, for information of Government, report on the state of the season in the — in Godavari and the measures of relief proposed.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

** Copy attached*
Read Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement, &c No. 42 Pres, date 19th January 1897.

Read also the following Proceeding of the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement, &c, No. 484 Mis, dated 22nd January 1897 on the following telegram from the Collector of Godavari dated 21st January 1897:—

"My reference No. 4048, 11th instant, with sanction 30,000 for relief Bhadrachalam."

Resolution:

Submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings No. 42 Pres of 1897, with the request that the necessary orders and allotment may issue.

Read also the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement, &c No. 561 Mis, dated 26th January 1897 on the following letter from the Collector of Godavari, dated 21st January 1897, Reference on C. No. 4048/Ver. of 96:—

Adverting to Board's Proceedings No. 18 Revenue Settlement, &c dated 18th January 1897, I have the honour to refer the Board to the resolution

Nos. 3823/Ver, and 4048/Ver of 1896, dated 5th and 11th ¹⁵
instinct, and to report that I have had reports of
District Forest Officer and his Subdivisional Officer,
from time to time, relating to the distress in the
Madrachalam Taluk. The Imperative necessity
for the opening of test relief works in that Taluk,
already been urged in my last Communication,
and funds amounting to Rs 30,000 were
applied for. I now solicit the orders of the Board
by wire, placing the requisite funds at my
disposal.

Resolution:

Submitted for the early orders of
Government, in continuation of Board's Proceed-
ings Press No. 42 dated 19th, and Miscellaneous
No. 484 dated 22nd January.

2. The following telegram will be des-
patched to the Collector:-

"Open test work Madrachalam in anti-
cipation of allotment of funds."

Order thereon No. 74 Press dated the 5th February 1897.

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of roads to be constructed in the Godavari
Agency recently submitted by the Agent
to the Judicial Department. Some deviation from
that programme may be necessary. But the
Agent should adhere to it as far as possible.
Otherwise a number of roads may be made,
which will not work in with the general scheme
for opening up the Agency and which it will
be impossible to maintain.

5. The Special Assistant Collector will be
authorised to exercise the powers of a Collector
under Section 7 of the Famine Code.

(True Extract.)

H. H. H.

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To

The Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement.

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what work they would do and he said "we will cut bamboos in these forests around here, put them on our shoulders, and bring them down to the water here. That is all we will do." I think this is probably the frame of mind of most of the Reddies. For these men, test-relief works should be opened, I think, as near as possible to the villages. Mr. Ward, the Forest Sub-Divisional Officer, has proposed that the work of digging up stumps along the forest demarcation lines might be undertaken and I support the proposal.

4. I regret that I have not got at present complete proposals for test and other relief works. I told the Tahsildar to send up a programme and I am now sending him an urgent reminder. The ordinary famine-relief programme for this taluk unfortunately is of no use, for the estimates are not ready. Even if they were, my opinion is that it would be a waste of money to spend it on a road from Parnasala to Kunavaram. The road would be liable to submersion in several places by the river each year.

5. The allotment for ordinary public works in Bhadrachalam is practically exhausted so that we shall want a grant of money for the relief works. No money can be spared from the allotments for the other divisions, for it is unwise to reduce the demand for labour there. As soon as the programme is received from the Tahsildar, I shall forward it with an estimate of the sum required. The works should be started as early as possible in January.

Endorsement by R. H. SHIPLEY, Esq., Acting Collector of Gódvári, dated 4th January 1897, Ref. No. 3825-Ver. of 1896.

Submitted to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture in continuation of this office letter No. 3825-Ver., dated 21st December 1896.

2. The further report promised by the Special Assistant Agent in paragraph 5 of his letter is awaited.

READ—also the following letter from J. W. HUGHES, Esq., Special Assistant Collector, Gódvári District, to the Collector, Cocanada, dated Rajahmundry, 5th January 1897, Ref. on C. No. 4805, and endorsement of the Collector of Gódvári, thereon, dated 9th January 1897, Ref. No. 4048-Ver. of 1896:—

In reply to your Ref. No. 4048-Ver., dated 23rd December 1896, I have the honour to submit my proposals for the opening of test-relief works in Bhadrachalam taluk.

2. The part most affected is the interior of the taluk to the west and north of Sabari. The number of people likely to require relief is estimated by the Tahsildar at 10,000. I propose, therefore, the following works:—

(i) Making a road from Singavaram through Tunikicherla to Bandirevu, thence to Yedugurallapalli, from thence to Pegha, Vankagudem and Chatti on the Buster frontier. An estimate is sent herewith. It is approximate and provides for cutting jungle, uprooting stumps and removing stones. The total is Rs. 4,800 at ordinary rates. At Famine Code rates, the work will provide employment for 1,000 men for one month and a half. Should it be found that large numbers of labourers are attracted, earth-work may be undertaken for the same road. The estimate for such work may be taken approximately at Rs. 475 a mile. The length of the road is about 40 miles. Total estimate for earthwork would, therefore, be about Rs. 19,000.

This work would make a very useful road through the interior.

(ii) Earthwork to the road from Waddigudem to Lakkavaram. This will provide labour for the inhabitants living to the east and south of the Sabari. Estimate (approximate) is submitted herewith amounting to Rs. 13,780 (at ordinary rates).

(iii) Bhadrachalam to Latchigudem—estimate for Rs. 2,000—is submitted.

These three are, I consider, the most suitable test works. I send, however, estimates for supplementary test works if found necessary—

(a) Road from Venkampalem to Gidiguppa.

(b) Road from Waddigudem to Chinturu (earthwork).

I request that sanction may be obtained and a sum of Rs. 30,000 be placed at our disposal to start these works. I have already explained in a former report that the works proposed in the famine relief programme of this office are not available, and, moreover, no sanctioned expenditure, which would give employment to labourers, remains unutilized in this taluk.

The works may be undertaken under the supervision of the Revenue Department. I propose that paymasters and maistries for the gangs in such number as may be found necessary be entertained. The Revenue Inspectors may be made to supervise the works on the different roads. Kitchens will also have to be opened in connection with the separate works and the necessary establishment entertained.

I have written to the Tahsildar to report at once what tools will be required and whence they may be obtained. I have also directed him to make arrangements so that grain may be supplied either by contract or any other suitable way. Some of the merchants in the riverside villages may be willing to contract for the supply of grain and this must be ascertained in good time beforehand.

It will be seen that the works for which estimates are now sent cost Rs. 47,672 in all. That is at ordinary rates. The cost of famine rates may be taken roughly to be Rs. 25,000 (i.e.) rather more than half. This should provide employment for 10,000 for one month. We must add some for gratuitous relief and supervision charges, &c. I have, therefore, asked for Rs. 30,000 at least. It would perhaps be wiser to ask for more, considering the long time that it takes for correspondence between Bhadrachalam, Cocanada and Madras. If half a lakh be sanctioned, 10,000 people could be kept on for about two months. The Tahsildar has been informed that the estimates sent up are insufficient and he has been called upon to devise a programme for giving employment to 10,000 people for six months. I request that the Forest Department may be asked to furnish estimates for the uprooting of stumps along the forest demarcation lines, a work which might also be taken up. The estimates should show also the direction of the lines.

Endorsement by R. H. SHIPLEY, Esq., Acting Collector of Gódvári, dated 9th January 1897, Ref. No. 4048-Ver. of 1896.

Submitted to the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement, &c., in continuation of this office, Ref. No. 3825-Ver. of 1896, dated 4th January 1897.

2. I concur with the Special Assistant Agent in thinking that distress is imminent in the interior of the Bhadrachalam taluk to the west and north of the Sabari. The following test relief works will be opened in order:—

(i) Road from Singavaram to Chatti—40 miles—estimate Rs. 4,800.

(ii) Road from Bhadrachalam (Chennammagudem) to Latchigudem—20 miles—estimate Rs. 2,000.

These two works consist of clearing jungle and uprooting stumps for the most part, a labour which is most congenial to the hill people and, if they are attracted to it, the necessity of starting the next work, which consists of earthwork, will be determined.

(iii) Earthwork to the road from Waddigudem to Lakkavaram—29 miles—estimate Rs. 13,780.

3. The number of persons for whom relief is likely to be required is reported to be about 10,000. I request that an allotment of Rs. 30,000 may be sanctioned at once, so that the test works may be taken in hand as early as possible. Of course, payment for labour will be made at the rates laid down in the Famine Code. The

Special Assistant Agent reports that there are no funds under sanctioned expenditure available to be utilized for the test-relief works. After some experience is gained on the above test works, I shall be in a position to report further on the subject of giving gratuitous relief and starting kitchens. For the present, the execution of the works will be managed by means of the ordinary staff, except that it may be necessary to appoint a few paymasters and maistries for the gangs. I am addressing the Superintending Engineer with regard to the number and description of tools required.

ENCLOSURE.

From the Sub-Divisional Officer, Bhadrachalam Range, to the District Forest Officer, Gódavari, dated Kunavaram, 22nd December 1896, R.C. No. 637.

In forwarding copy of the report called for in your R. C. No. 813, dated 13th December 1896, I have the honour to report that the slight rain that fell last month has improved the state of affairs here. The *manchi jonna* along the Gódavari between Kunavaram and Bhadrachalam will yield a fair crop and some of the *konda jonna* in the interior, a four-anna to eight-anna crop. But most of the *konda jona* will hardly yield anything, and there will be distress in the interior villages.

In the Rékapalli Range most of the people of the villages from Pulusumamidi to Gidiguppa and along the Gódavari down to Kollur will find work in cutting bamboos till the end of February or the middle of March and again after the south-west monsoon sets in and the internal will live on advances from the merchants. In the same manner, but to a smaller extent, will work be obtainable by the villagers between the hills and the rivers from Abbicherla on the Sabari to Gaviridevipet on the Gódavari. A very large number of Koyas in the Bhadrachalam Range are employed in cutting timber in the Buster forests. But I am told that the villagers in the north-east corner of the range have neither work nor crops.

In the northern half of the centre portion of the range and in the Marrigudem Range from Thati lanka westwards, the people will, I am told, have exhausted their food supplies by the end of February. In the Rékapalli Range, except in the portions mentioned above, the same state of things exists.

If the *Ippa* flowers abundantly, it will furnish a large supply of food. But what the season will prove cannot be known till February and March.

Test works may, I think, be commenced in February on the roads from Dumagudem and Bhadrachalam meeting at Singavaram and thence *via* Cherupalli, Bandirevu, Yedugurallapalli, &c., to the Sabari; on the road from Waddigudiem to Lakkavaram and thence to Soccamamidi and Chinturu. Other works may be opened as occasion calls for.

RESOLUTION—dated 19th January 1897, No. 42.

Submitted for the information of Government in continuation of B.P., No. 18 of 1897.

2. As shown in the marginal table, the rainfall of the past season at Bhadrachalam

RAINFALL at Bhadrachalam.

Period.				Average.	1896-97.
				INCHES.	INCHES.
April	..	..	..	0.78	1.35
May	..	..	..	1.98	..
June	..	..	..	6.19	3.30
July	..	..	..	10.53	7.30
August	..	..	..	10.35	10.00
September	..	..	..	7.90	3.10
October	..	..	..	2.88	..
November	..	..	..	1.11	0.20

drought is stated to be preventing the hill people from obtaining their usual supplies of roots, and the Collector is of opinion that test-relief works should be opened. This has already been approved of in the Proceedings above quoted.

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<i>Memorials.</i> —A nil list of — addressed to the Secretary of State, withheld in the Public Works Department, during the quarter ending 31st December 1896, forwarded to the Government of India, Public Works Department.	21st do. do. No. 181 W.	11th Nov. 1896, No. 3225 W.
<i>Memorials.</i> —A nil list of — addressed to the Government of India, withheld in the Public Works Department, during the quarter ending 31st December 1896, forwarded to the Government of India, Public Works Department.	21st do. do. No. 182 W.	7th Nov. 1896, No. 3194 W.
<i>Indian Army Reserve of officers.</i> —Ordered that Mr. A. H. Morin be recommended for a commission in the —.	21st do. do. No. 183 W.	14th Dec. 1896, No. 3589 W. 7th Dec. 1896, No. 3494 W. 5th Sept. 1895, No. 2208 W.
The Government of India addressed ...	21st do. do. No. 184 W.	
<i>Fee.</i> —Sanctioning the retention by Mr. W. V. Baker, Sub-divisional officer, Calicut, of the — of Rs. 150, awarded by the District Court, South Malabar, for his professional opinion on certain point.	21st do. do. No. 185 W.	
<i>Funds.</i> —Orders on application for a modification of grants for works in Kurnool division.	21st do. do. No. 186 W.	6th Jan. 1897, No. 28 W. 5th Jan. 1897, No. 12 W. 21st Nov. 1896, No. 3349 W.
<i>Copper sheets.</i> —The local purchase of — and copper tack nails for use in the Buckingham Canal division, sanctioned.	21st do. do. No. 187 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Unauthorized appropriations.</i> —Orders on statement of — made during November 1896 under Imperial Civil Works.	20th Jan. 1897, No. 169 W.	19th Dec. 1896, Nos. 3655-56 W. 2nd Nov. 1896, Nos. 3129-30 W. 5th Oct. 1896, Nos. 2869-70 W. 29th Sept. 1896, No. 2793 W. 29th Sept. 1896, No. 2792 W. 19th Sept. 1896, No. 2682 W. 19th Sept. 1896, No. 2681 W.
The above forwarded to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department.	20th do. do. No. 170 W.	
<i>High Court buildings.</i> —Ordered that the sanction of the Government of India to the acceptance of the offer of the proprietors of the Scottish Press to pay rent at Rs. 130 per mensem for the portion of the building occupied by the press, be applied for, and while, rent at Rs. 130 be recovered.	20th do. do. No. 171 W.	14th Dec. 1896, No. 4843 C. 14th Oct. 1896, No. 3579 C. 15th Aug. 1894, No. 2027 W.
<i>Heavy engine oil and minor stores.</i> —Letter from the Superintendent Engineer, V Circle, forwarding explanation from the General Superintendent, Public Works Stores, as to why the stock of — in the Stores was allowed to run low, recorded.	20th do. do.	
<i>Administration report.</i> —Letter from the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, Public Works Department, forwarding a copy of the — of the Public Works Department for 1895-96, recorded.	21st do. do. No. 194 W.	
<i>Payment of compensation.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, recording, with remarks, Board's Proceedings submitting letter from the Collector, Madura reporting on Mr. Doll's complaint of delay in — for his house at Kodaikanal, which was acquired by Government, recorded.	21st do. do. No. 195 W.	
<i>Minor Irrigation Works in Dhárakóta estate.</i> —Recording Revenue endorsement on Proceedings of the Court of Wards communicating to the Collector of Ganjam Public Works Proceedings regarding a modification of allotments for certain —.	21st do. do. No. 196 W.	7th Jan. 1897, No. 95 C. 11th Dec. 1896, No. 3552 W.
<i>Land.</i> —Notification for the acquisition of — required for the construction of a Deputy Tahsildar's office at Atmakur in Kurnool district, ordered to be published in the Fort St. George Gazette.	21st do. do. No. 197 W.	9th May 1896, No. 1478 W.
<i>Deputy Tahsildar's office at Betetipudiangadi.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, requesting the issue of orders for the preparation of plans and estimates for repairing the —, Malabar district, communicated to Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for necessary action.	21st do. do. No. 198 W.	
<i>Corrundum quarrying operations.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, requesting the Board of Revenue to expedite its reply to G.O., No. 4046, dated 9th October 1896, on the subject of the — in Salem district, recorded.	21st do. do. No. 199 W.	6th Jan. 1897, No. 23 W. 6, 2nd Dec. 1896, No. 3430 W. 3.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Boiler Inspector.</i> —Letter from the Sanitary Engineer reporting that Mr. H. T. Walters assumed charge of the office of — on the forenoon of 18th January 1897, recorded.	21st Jan. 1897, No. 200 W.	14th Jan. 1897, No. 224 C. 11th Jan. 1897, No. 154 C.
<i>Endorsement in the Marine Department.</i> —Transferring letter from the Presidency Port Officer enquiring whether the work of placing the — on Tuticorin pier may be carried out by Messrs. Dymes & Co.'s Agents under the supervision of the Port officer, communicated to Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, for report.	21st do. do. No. 201 W.	
<i>Article 1159, Civil Service Regulations.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, declining to entertain the claim for exemption from the provisions of — preferred on behalf of Supervisor K. C. Viswanatha Aiyar, communicated to Superintending Engineer, V Circle.	21st do. do. No. 202 W.	9th Dec. 1896, No. 4719 C. 7th Aug. 1896, No. 2270 W. 15th Feb. 1896, No. 579 W.
<i>Clerks' quarters.</i> —Ordered that the sanction of the Government of India be applied for to the proposed expenditure of Rs. 1,360 on the Native Bachelor — on Stonehouse Hill, Ootacamund.	21st do. do. No. 203 W.	
The Government of India addressed ...	21st do. do. No. 204 W.	
<i>Examination Rules.</i> —Proceedings, Educational Department, exempting two men from the — for certain period in view to their being employed as clerks in the Gódvári Eastern division, communicated to Superintending Engineer, I Circle.	21st do. do. No. 205 W.	9th Jan. 1897, No. 129 C. 5th Jan. 1897, No. 43 C. 19th Nov. 1896, No. 3321 W. 27th April 1896, No. 1317 W.
<i>Funds.</i> —Sanctioning, with remarks, a modification of grants for works in the I Circle.	21st do. do. No. 206 W.	12th Nov. 1896, No. 3244 W. 31st March 1896, No. 1137 W. 28th Feb. 1896, No. 1149 C. 31st Oct. 1895, No. 2760 W. 10th April 1895, No. 884 W. 15th Oct. 1894, No. 2565 W.
<i>C. H. T. Norfor, Executive Engineer.</i> —Government of India letter intimating the refusal of the Secretary of State to entertain the appeal from — against the order of that Government declining to grant to him exchange compensation allowance, communicated to Superintending Engineer, V Circle, for Mr. Norfor's information.	21st do. do. No. 207 W.	24th Nov. 1896, Nos. 3379-80 W. 6th Feb. 1895, No. 295 W. 31st Jan. 1895, No. 240 W. 21st Nov. 1894, No. 2982 W. 30th Oct. 1894, No. 2754 W. 20th Oct. 1894, No. 3235 C. 16th Oct. 1894, No. 3148 C.

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		31st Aug. 1894
		No. 2146
		25th July 18
		No. 1856 W.
		27th June 189
		No. 1604 W.
<i>Watchmen.</i> —The employment of coolies at a cost of Rs. 203 in watching stock articles and unsold buildings at Periyár, Thekady and Sappanpully in Madura division from April to July 1896, and the entertainment of six — from 1st August 1896 to 28th February 1897, as detailed in statement submitted by the Superintending Engineer, sanctioned.	21st Jan. 1897, No. 208 W.	23rd April 1895, No. 945 W. 26th Sept. 1894, No. 2416 W. 30th Oct. 1893, No. 3505 C. 18th Sept. 1893, No. 2386 W. 25th July 1893, No. $\frac{1927}{A}$ W. 25th July 1893, No. 1927 W. 17th May 1893, No. 1328 W.
<i>Advances of Pay.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, communicating to the Deputy Adjutant-General Government of India letter according sanction to Civil authorities in this Presidency granting — sufficient to enable military pensioners to join their first appointments in the Civil department, communicated to officers of the Public Works Department.	21st do. do. No. 210 W.	
<i>Latrine for the Telegraph office at Calicut.</i> —Memorandum from the Director-General of Telegraphs allotting a sum of Rs. 274 for constructing a —, communicated to officers concerned.	21st do. do. No. 211 W.	
<i>Payments in England.</i> —Statement of — on account of stores, &c., under Madras Provincial and Local Funds, Public Works, during November 1896, communicated to the officers concerned.	21st do. do. No. 212 W.	12th Dec. 1896, No. 3565 W. 12th Nov. 1896, No. 3240 W. 26th Oct. 1896, No. 3041 W. 1st Oct. 1896, No. 2813 W.
<i>Unanswered references.</i> —Orders on statement of — for the quarter ending 31st December 1896, submitted by the Consulting Architect.	23rd do. do. No. 217 W.	4th Dec. 1896, No. 3467 W. 29th July 1896, No. 2195 W.
<i>Medical Store Depot.</i> —Directing the Consulting Architect to submit, with the least possible delay, an estimate for improving the —, and referring to the Government of India the question whether Provincial funds should continue to bear the charge of providing accommodation for the Medical Stores.	23rd do. do. No. 218 W.	2nd Jan. 1897, No. 1 C. 23rd Dec. 1896, No. 5048 C. 17th Dec. 1896, No. 4906 C. 4th Dec. 1896, No. 3471 W. 13th Nov. 1896, No. 4093 C. 5th Nov. 1896, No. 3164 W.

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		24th June 1896, No. 1886 W. 20th Jan. 1896, No. 228 W.
		
The Government of India addressed ...	23rd Jan. 1897, No. 219 W.	
<i>Mr. J. J. Whitcley, Executive Engineer.</i> —Letter to the Resident in Mysore stating that the promotion recommendation roll on behalf of — should be accompanied by a “qualification report” in the form prescribed by the Government of India, and forwarding a copy of the Proceedings of this Government issuing instructions for the use of the form.	23rd do. do. No. 220 W.	30th Oct. 1896, No. 3099 W. 22nd April 1896, No. 1301 W. 15th Feb. 1896, No. 580 W. 11th Feb. 1896, No. 521 W. & file.
<i>Funds.</i> —Sanctioning application for a modification of grants under Incorporated Local funds for 1896–97, Negapatam division.	23rd do. do. No. 221 W.	
<i>Petroleum Tanks.</i> —Proceedings, Judicial Department, approving with remarks the plans submitted by Messrs. Best & Co. for the erection of — at Chidambaram, Tanjore, Karur, Dindigul and Sâtúr, recorded.	23rd do. do. No. 222 W.	
<i>Objectionable items.</i> —Orders on statement of — in the accounts of Executive Engineers remaining unremedied to end of August 1896, II Circle.	23rd do. do. No. 223 W.	6th Jan. 1897, No. 32 W. 9th Dec. 1896, No. 4748 C. 3rd March 1896, No. 767 W. 27th Nov. 1896, No. 3398 W. 24th Sept. 1896, No. 3418 C.
<i>Objectionable items.</i> —Orders on statement of — in the accounts of Executive Engineers remaining unremedied to end of July 1896, II Circle.	23rd do. do. No. 224 W.	16th Jan. 1897, No. 132 W. 30th Sept. 1896, No. 3476 C. 16th Oct. 1895, No. 2546 W. 29th Jan. 1896, No. 507 C. 25th July 1895, No. 2381 C.
<i>Bricks.</i> —Authorizing the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, to sell the — made by the Public Works Department for constructing Police lines at Balliguda, to the best advantage.	23rd do. do. No. 229 W.	19th Dec. 1896, No. 4979 C. 12th Aug. 1896, No. 2310 W. 2nd Oct. 1895, No. 2427 W.
<i>District Munsif's Court, Tiruvallúr.</i> —Proceedings, Judicial Department, sanctioning the preparation of a plan and estimate for a wall of brick-in-mud round the compound of the —, Tanjore district, communicated to Superintending Engineer, V Circle.	23rd do. do. No. 230 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Number and Date of previous Orders.
<i>Sanitary Schemes.</i> —Proceedings of the Sanitary Board requesting to be furnished annually with information as to the probable expenditure on — sanctioned for execution by the Public Works Department, communicated to Superintending Engineers with remarks.	23rd Jan. 1897, No. 231 W.	19th Dec. 1896, No. 4994 C. 10th April 1896, No. 1251 W. 5th June 1896, No. 1665 W.
<i>Tents.</i> —Estimate of Rs. 690 for the supply of — required for an Assistant Engineer in charge of famine-relief works in Bellary division, sanctioned.	23rd do. do. No. 232 W.	2nd Dec. 1896, No. 3438 W. 30th Jan. 1894, No. 270 W.
<i>Examination Rules.</i> —Proceedings, Educational Department, exempting Mr. A. Abraham, temporary clerk, Kurnool division, from the — for certain period, communicated to Superintending Engineer, III Circle.	25th do. do. No. 235 W.	8th Jan. 1897, No. 115 C.
<i>Funds.</i> —An additional allotment of Rs. 132 made from the reserve under Excluded Local, Port —, for purchasing and repairing Mr. Maiden's house at Masulipatam for use as a residence for the Port officer.	25th do. do. No. 236 W.	
<i>Rent.</i> —Approving, with remarks, the revised statement of data for the calculation of — of the Headmaster's quarters, Panchama Training School, Madras.	25th do. do. No. 237 W.	19th Dec. 1896, No. 4987 C. 8th Dec. 1896, No. 4695 C. 25th Sept. 1896, No. 2755 W.
<i>Wire fence.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, transferring Board's Proceedings recommending the preparation of an estimate for putting up a plain — round the compound of the new Taluk office at Gannavaram, Kistna district, communicated to Superintending Engineer, II Circle, for necessary action.	25th do. do. No. 238 W.	
<i>Advance of pay.</i> —Sanctioning the grant of an advance of six months' pay to P. Venkataswami Naidu, clerk, office of Superintending Engineer, II Circle, to enable him to build a house for occupation.	25th do. do. No. 239 W.	
<i>Scavenger.</i> —Sanctioning the employment of a — for the latrine recently constructed for the use of the Executive Engineer's office members, Salem division.	25th do. do. No. 240 W.	
<i>Security.</i> —The grant of an imprest of Rs. 50, without —, to Maistry G. Venkayya of the Kistna Northern division, sanctioned on the Executive Engineer's responsibility.	25th do. do. No. 241 W.	
<i>Security.</i> —The grant of an imprest of Rs. 10, without —, to Surveyor Syed Murtaza Hussain Sahib, Kistna Northern division, sanctioned.	25th do. do. No. 242 W.	
<i>Asphalte.</i> —Sanctioning the local purchase of certain quantity of — required for use in Kistna Eastern division.	25th do. do. No. 243 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and dates of previous orders.
<i>Travelling expenses.</i> —Sanctioning the grant of an advance of Rs. 150 to Major Baddeley, Superintending Engineer, II Circle, for his — in December last.	25th Jan. 1897, No. 244 W.	
<i>St. John's School, Vellore Fort.</i> —Proceedings, Educational Department, exempting the Authorities of the — from payment of rent so long as the school maintains its present status the fabric of the building being kept in repair at the public charge, communicated to officers concerned for guidance.	25th do. do. No. 245 W.	7th Nov. 1896, No. 3936 C. 23rd Oct. 1896, No. 3648 C. 6th July 1896, No. 619 D. 16th Feb. 1895, No. 626 C.
<i>Stores.</i> —Bi-monthly return of — under provision by the Director-General of Stores for India up to 31st November 1896, communicated to officers concerned and copy forwarded to the Government of India.	25th do. do. No. 246 W.	23rd Dec. 1896, No. 3682 W. 24th Nov. 1896, Nos. 3374-75 W. 26th Aug. 1896, Nos. 2467-68 W. 13th July 1896, Nos. 2003-4 W.
Forwarded	25th do. do. No. 247 W.	
<i>Mr. R. Parsons, Chief Assistant, Public Works Secretariat.</i> —Ordered that the sanction of the Government of India be applied for to the grant of a personal allowance to —.	25th do. do. No. 248 W.	
The Government of India addressed	25th do. do. No. 249 W.	
<i>Funds.</i> —Withdrawing and crediting to the reserve the sum of Rs. 500 surrendered from the grants to the Consulting Architect division under Imperial Civil Works—Repairs.	26th do. do. No. 250 W.	10th June 1896, No. 2487 C. 14th Jan. 1897, No. 203 C. 19th Dec. 1896, No. 4975 C. 22nd Sept. 1896, No. 1368 D. 2nd Sept. 1896, No. 2537 W. & file.
<i>Superior Accounts Establishment.</i> —Forwarding to the Government of India promotion recommendation roll of — for the year ending 31st December 1896 (Confidential).	26th do. do. No. 251 W.	
<i>Elephants.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, considering that Public Works officers to whom — are lent should take complete charge of and be responsible for the animals, communicated to Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for guidance and necessary action, with reference to the need of the animals for work on the Anamalais.	26th do. do. No. 252 W.	
<i>Anamalai Hill Road.</i> —Endorsement from the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, forwarding copy of letter from the Collector of Coimbatore regarding the alignment of the proposed —, recorded.	26th do. do. No. 253 W.	19th Jan. 1897, No. 294 C. 9th Dec. 1896, No. 3527 W. 2nd Dec. 1896, No. 4551 C.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Funds.</i> —Replacing at the disposal of the Financial Department a sum of Rs. 2,41,382 and reducing the revised estimate of charges for 1896-97 under 45. Provincial Civil Works from Rs. 27,71,382 to Rs. 25,30,000.	26th Jan. 1897, No. 254 W.	25th Nov. 1896, No. 3384 W. 17th Nov. 1896, No. 3299 W.
<i>Mr. E. A. Dennys.</i> —Letter to the Government of India stating that His Excellency the Governor in Council has no objection to the appointment of — as Examiner of Public Works Accounts, Madras, in succession to Mr. D. C. Gordon.	26th do. do. No. 255 W.	16th Nov. 1896, No. 3286 W. 29th Sept. 1896, No. 2801 W.
<i>Steel palings.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, requesting the Accountant-General to place the amount (Rs. 4,420) surrendered by the Public Works Department at the disposal of the Inspector-General of Prisons to enable him to meet the charges on account of — obtained for certain jails, recorded.	26th do. do. No. 257 W.	6th Jan. 1897, No. 34 W. 4th Dec. 1896, No. 3469 W.
<i>Indents for Stores.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, communicating the sanction of the Secretary of State to the compliance with an indent for levelling instruments forwarded by this Government, communicated to Superintending Engineer, V Circle.	26th do. do. No. 259 W.	
<i>Verandah.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, transferring Board's Proceedings recommending the proposal of the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, for putting up a light — of corrugated iron round the combustible shed on the Beach, communicated to the Consulting Architect with direction to carry out the work with the least possible delay.	26th do. do. No. 260 W.	
<i>Funds.</i> —Sanctioning a modification of grants under Imperial — for the V Circle.	26th do. do. No. 261 W.	
<i>Latrine.</i> —The Consulting Architect permitted to take over charge of the — in the corner of St. Mary's Church compound, Fort St. George, from the Military Works Department.	26th do. do. No. 262 W.	
<i>Funds.</i> —Replacing, at the disposal of the Local and Municipal Department, the sum of Rs. 775 surrendered from the grant for the maintenance of the Kistna right bank between Ipur and Mortota in Kistna Western division.	26th do. do. No. 263 W.	
<i>Distribution of Standing orders.</i> —Ordered that the Government of India be requested to adopt the procedure suggested by the Superintendent, Government Press, as regards the — to the Public Works Department Code to officers and subordinates.	26th do. do. No. 264 W.	14th Dec. 1896, No. 4841 C.
The Government of India addressed ...	26th do. do. No. 265 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Revenue and Expenditure.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, recording statement showing the distribution under Imperial, Provincial and Local of the — of the Government of Madras for 1895-96, recorded.	26th Jan. 1897, No. 266 W.	7th May 1896, No. 1452 W. 24th Sept. 1895, No. 2363 W. 30th April 1895, No. 1013 W.
<i>Funds.</i> —Sanctioning a modification of grants for works in Nellore division.	27th do. do. No. 269 W.	
<i>Mr. F. Furnivall, Assistant Engineer.</i> —Telegram to the Government of India intimating that — failed in the Professional examination.	27th do. do. No. $\frac{269}{A}$ W.	8th Oct. 1896, No. 2886 W. 30th July 1896, No. 912 D.
Letter to the Government of India forwarding a copy of the report of the committee which examined Mr. Furnivall in September last.	27th do. do. No. $\frac{269}{B}$ W.	
<i>Overseers.</i> —The scale of —, 1st grade, raised from 52 to 54 and the number in the 3rd grade reduced from 10 to 8, with effect from 1st January 1897.	27th do. do. No. 270 W.	18th Dec. 1896, No. 4914 C. 11th Dec. 1896, No. 4800 C. 24th June 1896, No. 1894 W. 23rd May 1884, No. 1291 W.
<i>Chella Venkataramayya, late Clerk, Gódvári Western division.</i> —Proceedings, Pension Department, granting a superannuation pension to —, recorded.	27th do. do. No. 272 W.	
<i>Roads.</i> —Endorsement in the Local and Municipal Department transferring letter from the President, District Board, Nilgiris, intimating that no new — were opened during 1896 and that, under the circumstance, the submission of an index or record map is not required, recorded.	27th do. do. No. 273 W.	1st Feb. 1896, No. 415 W. 1st Nov. 1895, No. 2769 W. 9th Aug. 1895, No. 1960 W. 30th April 1895, No. 999 W. 31st Jan. 1895, No. 229 W. 11th May 1894, No. 1177 W. 12th March 1894, No. 690 W.
<i>Taluk office at Proddatur.</i> —Letter from the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, stating that as the grant for the — has been increased to Rs. 9,840, no more money is at present required for the work, recorded.	27th do. do. No. 274 W.	21st Jan. 1897, No. 383 C. 19th Dec. 1896, No. 3675 W. 18th Dec. 1896, No. 3633 W. 17th Nov. 1896, No. 3299 W.
<i>Berhampur District Jail.</i> —Proceedings, Judicial Department, requesting the issue of necessary instructions for the preparation of plans and estimates for reconstructing the Assistant Jailor's quarters at the —, communicated to Superintending Engineer, I Circle, for necessary action.	28th do. do. No. 275 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Collector's Outcherry, Kurnool</i> .—Proceedings, Judicial Department, requesting the issue of instructions for the preparation of an estimate for constructing a wall enclosing the sub-jail buildings in the compound of the —, communicated to Superintending Engineer, III Circle, for necessary action.	28th Jan. 1897, No. 276 W.	
<i>Establishment</i> .—Stating that the Government does not consider it necessary at present to sanction the employment of any extra — in the Examiner's office in connection with the audit of the Light-house division accounts.	28th do. do. No. 277 W.	19th Dec. 1896, No. 5014 C. 19th Nov. 1896, No. 3319 W. 27th July 1896, No. 2156 W. 3rd July 1896, No. 1978 W. 1st June 1896, No. 1639 W. 18th June 1895, No. 1476 W. 9th May 1895, No. 1106 W.
<i>Security</i> .—The grant of an imprest of Rs. 20 to temporary Sub-Overseer Thiagaraja Aiyar, Bellary division, without —, sanctioned.	28th do. do. No. 278 W.	
<i>Receipts for Stores</i> .—Government of India letter requesting that — delivered by the Agent for Government Consignments, Calcutta, may be returned to him as early as possible, in order to ensure the speedy adjustment of expenditure incurred on behalf of the Public Works Department, communicated to the officers and department concerned.	28th do. do. No. 279 W.	
<i>Deputy Tahsildar's office at Urawakonda</i> .—Endorsement in the Revenue Department transferring Board's Proceedings recommending that a compound wall be constructed round the —, Anantapur district, communicated to Superintending Engineer, III Circle, for necessary action.	28th do. do. No. 280 W.	31st Aug. 1894, No. 2151 W.
<i>Funds</i> .—Sanctioning, with remarks, a modification of grants for works in North Arcot division.	28th do. do. No. 281 W.	19th Dec. 1896, No. 4976 C.
<i>"Armourer's shop," Vellore</i> .—Proceedings, Local and Municipal Department, approving the abolition of the Vaccine Lymph Depôt at Vellore and the retransfer to Government of the — in which the depôt was located, communicated to Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, with direction to resume charge of the building.	28th do. do. No. 282 W.	17th July 1895, No. 1773 W. 1st July 1895, No. 1616 W.
<i>Plans</i> .—Forwarding to Superintending Engineers copies of the — of the thermometer shed and cage of the Madras pattern furnished by the Meteorological Reporter.	28th do. do. No. 283 W.	7th Jan. 1897, No. 85 C. 5th Dec. 1896, No. 4616 C. 30th Nov. 1896, No. 4501 C. 11th Nov. 1896, Nos. 3223-24 W. 1st Oct. 1896, Nos. 2819-20 W.

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<i>Funds</i> .—Sanctioning, with remarks, a modification of grants for works in Madura division.	28th Jan. 1897, No. 284 W.	
<i>Irrecoverable sums</i> .—Nil statement of — exceeding one rupee written off, for the half-year ending 31st December 1896, from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, recorded.	28th do. do. No. 285 W.	24th July 1896, No. 2152 W. 1st Aug. 1895, No. 1919 W. 7th Aug. 1894, No. 1957 W. 13th Feb. 1894, No. 395 W.
<i>Goose quills and steel nibs</i> .—Proceedings, Financial Department, passing orders in regard to the supply of — to public offices, communicated to officers of the Public Works Department.	28th do. do. No. 286 W.	
<i>Renting of a private house</i> .—The — in Jammalamadugu, Cuddapah district, for an office for the Assistant Engineer in charge of famine works, sanctioned.	28th do. do. No. 287 W.	30th Nov. 1896, No. 3417 W. 25th Sept. 1895, No. 2367 W. 11th Oct. 1894, No. 2516 W. 21st Sept. 1893, No. 2430 W. 18th April 1893, No. 1093 W.
<i>Examination Rules</i> .—Proceedings, Educational Department, sanctioning, with remarks, the exemption of certain unpassed men employed in Kistna Western division from the — until the 30th June 1897, communicated to Superintending Engineer, II Circle.	28th do. do. No. 288 W.	19th Jan. 1897, No. 297 C. 23rd Sept. 1896, No. 2718 W. 23rd Sept. 1896, No. 2717 W. 21st Nov. 1895, No. 3597 C. 5th Dec. 1895, No. 3856 C. 17th Dec. 1895, No. 4061 C. 9th Jan. 1896, No. 67 W. 1st April 1896, No. 1791 C. 27th April 1896, No. 1319 W. 24th Aug. 1896, No. 3161 C.
<i>Removal of materials</i> .—The proposal to remove the materials prepared for the Hospital for Women and Children from the store-yard adjoining the Government Press to the Government Brickfields, approved, and the Consulting Architect directed to ascertain and report whether the store-yard can be utilized by the Government Press or other Government department.	28th do. do. No. 289 W.	
<i>Stores</i> .—The estimate of London account — for 1897-98 fixed at Rs. 1,50,000 and the revised estimate of Rs. 1,85,000 for 1896-97, proposed by the Examiner, approved.	28th do. do. No. 290 W.	23rd Oct. 1896, No. 3677 C. 31st Jan. 1896, No. 403 W. 11th Jan. 1896, No. 180 C. 23rd Oct. 1895, No. 3070 C.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Old Hospital for Women and Children.</i> —Warning the officers occupying the — as offices, to be prepared to vacate the buildings at six hours' notice in view to their being placed at the disposal of the Madras Municipal Commission for use as an Isolation Hospital, in the event of an outbreak of the bubonic plague.	29th Jan. 1897, No. 291 W.	23rd Jan. 1897, Nos. 218-19 W. 2nd Jan. 1897, No. 1 C. 23rd Dec. 1896, No. 5048 C. 17th Dec. 1896, No. 4906 C. 4th Dec. 1896, No. 3471 W. 24th June 1896, No. 1886 W. 20th Jan. 1896, No. 228 W.
<i>Vypcen foreshore.</i> —Letter from the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, reporting on the erosion on the — opposite Cruz Milagre Dam, West Coast division, recorded.	29th do. do. No. 292 W.	25th Nov. 1896, No. 3382. 29th Oct. 1895, No. 130, Mar. 17th Dec. 1895, No. 387, Mar. 7th Jan. 1896, No. 4, Mar. 25th Feb. 1896, No. 115, Mar. 17th Jan. 1896, No. 19, Mar. 17th March 1896, No. 215, Mar.
<i>Watchman.</i> —The entertainment of a — for two months in 1897 for the rest-house near Markapur railway station, Kurnool division, sanctioned.	29th do. do. No. 293 W.	
<i>Levelling instruments.</i> —Letter from the Director-General of Stores intimating that certain — have been shipped in the S.S. "Mombassa" sailing 8th January 1897, communicated to Superintending Engineer, V Circle.	29th do. do. No. 294 W.	25th Jan. 1897, Nos. 246-47 W. 23rd Dec. 1896, No. 3682 W. 15th Dec. 1896, No. 3603 W. 24th Nov. 1896, Nos. 3374-75 W. 26th Aug. 1896, Nos. 2467-68 W. 13th July 1896, Nos. 2003-4 W.
<i>Unanswered references.</i> —Orders on statement of — for the half-year ending 30th September 1896 from the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.	29th do. do. No. 295 W.	5th Aug. 1896, No. 2264 W. 4th June 1896, No. 1663 W. 11th Feb. 1896, No. 410 W. 26th July 1895, No. 1866 W. 25th Jan. 1895, No. 197 W. 12th Nov. 1896, No. 3248 W. 16th Sept. 1896, No. 2658 W. 14th March 1896, No. 923 W.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Security.</i> —The grant of imprests without — temporarily to two Lower Subordinates, in the Bellary and Kurnool divisions, sanctioned.	29th Jan. 1897, No. 188 W.	19th Aug. 1896, No. 2540 C.
<i>Peons' belting cloth.</i> —Sanctioning the purchase of eight yards of — for the Kistna Northern division from the Anjuman office.	21st do. do. No. 189 W.	11th Nov. 1896, No. 4029 C.
<i>Pig iron.</i> —The local purchase of twelve tons of — required for use in the Gódavari Eastern division, sanctioned with remarks.	21st do. do. No. 190 W.	30th April 1896, No. 1373 W.
<i>Watchman.</i> —The employment of a — on Rs. 5 per mensem from the 11th April to the 7th June 1896 for the Police Assistant Superintendent's quarters at Nandyal, sanctioned.	21st do. do. No. 191 W.	
<i>Funds.</i> —Orders on application for a modification of grant for Estate works in Ganjam division.	21st do. do. No. 192 W.	7th Dec. 1896, No. 3501 W.
<i>Wild steel round.</i> —Endorsement for — Circle, for —	21st do. do. No. 193 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Reports and returns.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, communicating a statement of certain — received by that department, and observing that G.O., No. 356, Financial, of 1896, contains a list of budget estimates required to be submitted to that department, recorded, with the remark, that certain returns forwarded by the Public Works Department do not appear in the statement.	7th Jan. 1897, No. 56 W.	29th Oct. 1895, No. 3185 C. 4th Aug. 1896, No. 956 D. 14th Oct. 1896, No. 2934 W.
<i>Trees.</i> —Sanctioning the execution, by the Public Works Department, of the work of felling certain — near the Local Fund Inspection Lodge at Kotagiri, Coimbatore division.	7th do. do. No. 57 W.	
<i>Budget estimates.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, passing orders on the — for 1897-98 under XXX Irrigation, Minor Works and Navigation, Provincial, 43. Minor Works and Navigation and 45. Civil Works, communicated, with remarks, to officers concerned.	7th do. do. No. 58 W.	4th Jan. 1897, No. 25 C.
<i>Madras Municipality.</i> —Proceedings, Local and Municipal Department, reviewing the administration report of the — for 1895-96, recorded.	7th do. do. No. 59 W.	
<i>Gratuity.</i> —Proceedings, Pension Department, granting an invalid — to Nandivelgu Shaik Imam, late lascar, Kistna Western division, recorded.	7th do. do. No. 60 W.	
<i>Pension.</i> —Proceedings, Pension Department, granting an invalid — to Shaik Mohideen, late lascar, Kistna Western division, recorded.	7th do. do. No. 61 W.	
<i>Petitions for Mercy.</i> —Proceedings, Public Department, issuing orders on the subject of the disposal of — from convicts under sentence of death, recorded.	7th do. do. No. 62 W.	
<i>Charge allowance.</i> —Mr. A. Joyce, Executive Engineer, granted a — of Rs. 100 per mensem while holding charge of the Tinnevely division in addition to his duties as Executive Engineer, Madura division.	7th do. do. No. 63 W.	16th Dec. 1896, No. 4884 C. 4th Dec. 1896, No. 4592 C. 21st Nov. 1896, No. 4332 C. 19th Nov. 1896, No. 4267 C. 16th Nov. 1896, No. 4196 C. 18th Sept. 1896, No. 1351 D. 16th Sept. 1896, No. 1332 D. 24th Oct. 1896, No. 3691 C. 12th Nov. 1896, No. 4058 C. 3rd Nov. 1896, No. 3875 C.
<i>Accounts clerks.</i> —The Superintending Engineers, V and VI Circles, directed to at once transfer the — in the South Arcot and Madura divisions to the Bellary division for famine duty, their place being filled by temporary men.	7th do. do. No. 64 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Law Court buildings.</i> —Proceedings, Judicial Department, approving the proposal to place the conservancy and gardening establishment of the — under the Registrar of the High Court, and requesting the Public Works Department to transfer to the High Court the unexpended grant for the current year under contingencies, communicated to the Consulting Architect for information and necessary action.	7th Jan. 1897, No. 49 W.	29th Oct. 1896, No. 3800 C. 16th Oct. 1896, No. 1612 D. 16th Oct. 1896, No. 1611 D. 16th Sept. 1896, No. 3342 C. 1st Sept. 1896, No. 2530 W. 31st March 1896, No. 1769 C.
<i>Funds.</i> —Allotting a sum of Rs. 11 from the reserve under Excluded Local, Port —, for excavating pits for testing the lightning conductor of the light-house at Seven Pagodas.	7th do. do. No. 50 W.	
<i>Accommodation.</i> —Approving and sanctioning, with remarks, the action of the Superintending Engineer in hiring — at Waltair for his own office and that of the Executive Engineer, Vizagapatam division, combined.	7th do. do. No. 51 W.	24th Oct. 1896, No. 3710 C. 24th July 1896, No. 2150 W. 8th May 1896, No. 1464 W. 3rd Feb. 1896, No. 434 W. 25th Nov. 1895, No. 2993 W. 4th Nov. 1895, No. 3285 C. 18th July 1895, No. 1780 W. 22nd April 1895, No. 920 W. 16th March 1895, No. 645 W. 16th Nov. 1889, No. 3242 W.
<i>European Stores.</i> —Sanctioning the local purchase of certain — required for use in the Public Works Workshops.	7th do. do. No. 52 W.	
<i>Building lately used as a Deputy Tahsiidar's office at Madarpakam.</i> —The Superintending Engineer, V Circle, directed to ascertain, in communication with the Collector, whether the —, in Chingleput district, can be utilised for any public purpose, and, if not, to submit proposals for its disposal.	7th do. do. No. 53 W.	16th Dec. 1896, No. 4879 C. 20th March 1896, No. 1010 W.
<i>Sub-Overseer.</i> —Sanctioning the appointment of a —, 3rd grade, in the Buckingham Canal division, to supervise the conservancy of the Cooum river, furnishing the Superintending Engineer and the Chief Engineer for Irrigation with copies of Local and Municipal Proceedings relative to the prohibition of fishing in the Cooum, and stating that Government does not consider it desirable to take any action in the matter at present.	7th do. do. No. 54 W.	16th Nov. 1896, No. 957 I. 2nd Sept. 1896, No. 775 I. 13th May 1896, No. 415 I. 26th Feb. 1896, No. 709 W. 14th Dec. 1895, No. $\frac{1084}{A}$ I.
<i>Visits of Native Chiefs.</i> —Proceedings, Political Department, laying down rules regarding the — to Madras and Ootacamund, recorded.	7th do. do. No. 55 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Excess expenditure.</i> —Authorizing the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, to admit the — of Rs. 542 incurred on the construction of an upper story to the Collector's office at Mangalore.	6th Jan. 1897, No. 41 W.	4th Dec. 1896, No. 4590 C. 26th April 1895, No. 982 W.
<i>Removal from the service.</i> —Proceedings, Public Department, ordering the — of Mr. C. M. Brisson, an employé in the Government Press, on account of his hopelessly involved circumstances, communicated to officers of the Public Works Department.	6th do. do. No. 42 W.	
<i>New Famine Code.</i> —Communicating, with remarks, to officers of the Public Works Department Proceedings of the Board of Revenue arranging to distribute copies of the —.	6th do. do. No. 43 W.	23rd Dec. 1896, No. 5051 C. 19th Dec. 1896, No. 5010 C. 16th Dec. 1896, No. 4865 C. 10th Dec. 1896, No. 4788 C. 3rd Dec. 1896, No. 4573 C. 27th Nov. 1896, No. 4482 C. 26th Nov. 1896, No. 4456 C. 18th Nov. 1896, No. 3314 W. 16th Nov. 1896, No. 3293 W. 10th Nov. 1896, No. 4009 C. 10th Nov. 1896, No. 4008 C.
<i>Exchange compensation allowance.</i> —Ordered that a statement showing the revised and budget estimates of payments on account of — for 1896-97 and 1897-98, respectively, be forwarded to the Government of India.	6th do. do. No. 44 W.	20th April 1896, No. 1287 W.
Forwarded	6th do. do. No. 45 W.	
<i>Famine.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, recording, with remarks, Board's Proceedings submitting the fortnightly — narrative of the Cuddapah district for the period ending 30th November 1896, communicated to Superintending Engineer, III Circle, for guidance.	7th do. do. No. 46 W.	
<i>Famine-relief.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, recording Board's Proceedings submitting report of the Collector of Cuddapah on the rise in the prices of food-grains and the means suggested for relief, communicated to Superintending Engineer, III Circle, with direction to expedite the preparation of plans and estimates for works required for —.	7th do. do. No. 47 W.	
<i>Tools and plant.</i> —Sanctioning the excess outlay of Rs. 971 incurred on repairs to, and carriage of, — in the South Arcot division.	7th do. do. No. 48 W.	7th Oct. 1896, No. 2879 W.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Objectionable items.</i> —Orders on statement of — in the accounts of Executive Engineers remaining unremedied to end of June 1896, II Circle.	6th Jan. 1897, No. 32 W.	9th Dec. 1896, No. 4748 C. 27th Nov. 1896, No. 3398 W. 10th Nov. 1896, No. 3203 W. 27th Oct. 1896, No. 3056 W. 2nd Sept. 1896, No. 2550 W. 2nd July 1896, No. 1922 W. 12th June 1896, No. 2516 C. 18th July 1896, No. 2106 W. 14th Dec. 1895, No. 3212 W. 30th Sept. 1895, No. 2390 W.
<i>Allotment.</i> —An additional — of Rs. 60 made to the Negapatam division under Imperial Civil Works, Postal Repairs.	6th do. do. No. 33 W.	
<i>Steel palings.</i> —A further sum of Rs. 4,420 surrendered to the Financial Department with request that the amount may be placed at the disposal of the Inspector-General of Prisons to meet the charges on account of —, &c., obtained for the Rajahmundry and Cannanore Central Jails.	6th do. do. No. 34 W.	4th Dec. 1896, No. 3469 W. 19th Nov. 1896, No. 3318 W. 10th Nov. 1896, No. 3210 W. 24th Oct. 1896, No. 3023 W. 5th Sept. 1896, No. 2600 W. 7th July 1896, No. 1993 W. & file.
<i>Liveries.</i> —Proceedings, Public Department, passing orders regarding the supply of — to the inferior servants of Government, recorded.	6th do. do. No. 37 W.	25th March 1896, No. 1070 W. 29th Nov. 1895, No. 3063 W. 13th Feb. 1894, No. 652 C. 31st Jan. 1894, No. 442 C. 29th Jan. 1894, No. 245 W. 25th Jan. 1894, No. 345 C. & file.
<i>Funds.</i> —Resuming and crediting to the Provincial reserve a sum of Rs. 4,500 surrendered from the grants to the Kistna Western division.	6th do. do. No. 38 W.	21st April 1896, No. 351 I.
<i>European stores.</i> —The local purchase of certain — required for use in the Public Works Workshops, sanctioned.	6th do. do. No. 39 W.	
<i>Funds.</i> —A sum of Rs. 330 allotted from the reserve under Excluded Local, Port —, for urgent repairs to the sea wall at Tellicherry.	6th do. do. No. 40 W.	

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Roads in Malabar district.</i> —Sanctioning the proposals of the Superintending Engineer that Sub-Overseer Ramasawmy Aiyangar with a clerk and two peons be placed under Mr. Paterson's orders, in connection with the making of —, and directing that the necessity for making better progress in his work, be emphatically impressed on Mr. Paterson.	6th Jan. 1897, No. 25 W.	23rd Dec. 1896, No. 5049 C. 15th Dec. 1896, No. 4854 C. 17th Nov. 1896, No. 4219 C. 15th Dec. 1896, No. 3611 W. 3rd Nov. 1896, No. 3153 W. 23rd Oct. 1896, No. 3006 W. 2nd Oct. 1896, No. 2844 W.
<i>Rent.</i> —Directing that the question of the — to be recovered from the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company for the premises occupied by it in the General Telegraph office building at Madras, be referred for the orders of the Government of India, and that, meanwhile, the existing rate of rent, Rs. 110 per mensem, be recovered.	6th do. do. No. 26 W.	7th Dec. 1896, No. 4644 C. 4th Sept. 1896, No. 2579 W. 15th Aug. 1894, No. 2027 W.
The Government of India addressed ..	6th do. do. No. 27 W.	
<i>Funds.</i> —Sanctioning a re-appropriation of — in Kurnool division.	6th do. do. No. 28 W.	
<i>Draftsman.</i> —Confirming the sanction accorded, in G.O., No. 3452 W., dated 3rd December 1896, to the entertainment of a — on Rs. 50 per mensem in the Kistna Northern division, and stating that it will hold good for a period of six months.	6th do. do. No. 29 W.	3rd Dec. 1896, No. 3452 W. 12th March 1895, No. 581 W.
<i>Indents for stores.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, communicating the sanction of the Secretary of State to certain —, communicated to Superintending Engineer, V Circle.	6th do. do. No. 30 W.	15th Aug. 1896, Nos. 2364–65 W. 5th Aug. 1896, No. 2259 W. 5th Aug. 1896, No. 2258 W.
<i>Steam Boiler Inspection Establishment.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, directing that, under the special circumstances of the case, certain entry in the budget estimate of the — for 1897–98 be retained, communicated to the Sanitary Engineer.	6th do. do. No. 31 W.	5th Dec. 1896, No. 3491 W. 28th Oct. 1896, No. 3784 C. 25th Aug. 1896, No. 2460 W. 25th Aug. 1896, No. 2459 W. 11th Dec. 1895, No. 3172 W. 8th Nov. 1895, No. 3378 C. 6th Nov. 1895, No. 3340 C. 29th Oct. 1895, No. 2695 W. 29th Oct. 1895, No. 2694 W. & file.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Sub-Registrar's office, Bharani.</i> —Returning to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for disposal, the estimate of Rs. 1,100 for additional verandah and compound wall to the — with the direction that the provision made in the estimate for asphaltting the record-room should be eliminated.	5th Jan. 1897, No. 18 W.	13th Nov. 1896, No. 4091 C. 2nd Sept. 1896, No. 2542 W. 2nd July 1896, No. 595 D. 26th March 1896, No. 1082 W. 11th May 1895, No. 1124 W. 7th Oct. 1892, No. 2806 W.
<i>Examination Rules.</i> —Proceedings. Educational Department, exempting Madireddi Lakshmana Rao, temporary clerk, Kistna Northern division, from the — for certain period, communicated to Superintending Engineer, II Circle.	5th do. do. No. 19 W.	8th Dec. 1896, No. 4694 C.
<i>Office accommodation for the Boiler Inspector.</i> —The proposals of the Sanitary Engineer in regard to —, approved.	5th do. do. No. 20 W.	26th June 1895, No. 1549 W. 28th Feb. 1895, No. 477 W. 21st Feb. 1895, No. 684 C. 15th Feb. 1895, No. 606 C. 18th July 1894, No. 617 D. 18th July 1894, No. 614 D. 3rd April 1894, No. 902 W. 14th Sept. 1893, No. 2369 W. 16th Aug. 1893, No. 2102 W.
<i>Tents.</i> —Sanctioning the estimate of Rs. 650 for the supply of — required for use by the Assistant Engineer in charge of famine works in the Cuddapah division.	6th do. do. No. 21 W.	30th Jan. 1894, No. 270 W.
<i>Funds.</i> —A sum of Rs. 60 appropriated from the reserve under Excluded Local, Port —, for constructing a latrine in the compound of the flagstaff at Cuddalore Old Town.	6th do. do. No. 22 W.	30th July 1895, No. 1895 W. 27th June 1895, No. 1584 W.
<i>Corrundum Quarrying operations.</i> —Drawing the attention of the Superintending Engineer to the Government Orders on the subject of an Upper Subordinate being placed in charge of the — in Salem district, and communicating to the Revenue Department, with remarks, endorsement from the Superintending Engineer reporting the action taken on the Sub-Divisional officer's application for authority to begin work.	6th do. do. No. 23 W.	2nd Dec. 1896, No. 3430 W. 18th Nov. 1896, No. 4245 C. 12th Nov. 1896, No. 4060 C. 26th Oct. 1896, No. 3027 W. 19th Sept. 1896, No. 2668 W.
<i>Sale of Bricks.</i> —Authorizing the Examiner, with remarks, to admit the sale of 1,500 fire bricks from the Consulting Architect's division to the Trichinopoly Water Works.	6th do. do. No. 24 W.	5th Feb. 1896, No. 458 W. 14th Dec. 1896, No. 3587 W.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Conduct of the Public Works Officers.</i> —Letter from Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, reporting on the —, in connection with the remarks of the High Court on contractor Yerlagadda Naidu's appeal, recorded.	4th Jan. 1897, No. 8 W.	28th Sept. 1896, No. 3446 C. 22nd Aug. 1896, No. 2694 W. 29th July 1896, No. 2182 W. 18th Nov. 1895, No. 2943 W. 6th May 1895, No. 1071 W. 24th April 1895, No. 954 W. 12th March 1895, No. 593 W. 26th Oct. 1894, No. 2727 W. 19th Oct. 1894, No. 2651 W. 10th July 1894, No. 1720 W.
<i>Confidential Report.</i> —Forwarding a — on Captain A. D. G. Shelley, R.E., for the year 1896, and stating that the report on Major E. A. Waller, R.E., has been transmitted by the Consulting Engineer for Railways to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, for counter-signature.	5th do. do. No. 10 W.	
<i>Temporary Appointments.</i> —Nil return of — and deputations on pay exceeding Rs. 250 a month sanctioned by the Government of Madras under Article 95 (b) of the Civil Service Regulations during the half-year ended 31st December 1896, forwarded to the Government of India.	5th do. do. No. 11 W.	
<i>Taluk office at Pattikonda.</i> —Stating that the construction of the — may be suspended, and directing the Superintending Engineer to surrender the grant for the work after reserving the amount required to meet liabilities already incurred.	5th do. do. No. 12 W.	21st Nov. 1896, No. 3349 W.
<i>Funds.</i> —Allotting Rs. 40 from the reserve under Excluded Local, Port —, for taking soundings in the Mangalore backwater.	5th do. do. No. 13 W.	
<i>Agent.</i> —Proceedings, Political Department, communicating letter from the Agent to the Governor-General in Central India intimating the appointment of Mr. Vaman Ramachandra as — for the estate of His Highness the Maharaja Holkar at Ramésvaram, communicated to Superintending Engineer, VI Circle.	5th do. do. No. 14 W.	
<i>Daily allowance.</i> —Sanctioning the grant of — at As. 2 per diem to the peons of the Madura and Tinnevely divisions for the periods they accompanied Mr. Joyee beyond the limits of the respective divisions.	5th do. do. No. 16 W.	16th Dec. 1896, No. 4880 C. 10th Sept. 1885, No. 2118 W.
<i>Grants.</i> —Stating that the surrenders proposed from the — for the Taluk offices at Gudivada and Vinukonda and the Deputy Tahsildar's office at Avanigadda, cannot be accepted, the works being far advanced.	5th do. do. No. 17 W.	25th Nov. 1896, No. 3384 W.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF MISCELLANEOUS PROCEEDINGS
AND MATTERS OF ROUTINE,
BUILDINGS AND ROADS,
FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 1897.

Subjects.	Number and Date of Order.	Numbers and Dates of previous Orders.
<i>Pension.</i> —Proceedings, Pension Department, granting a retiring — to Mr. D. Parsons, late Record Superintendent, Public Works Secretariat, communicated to him.	4th Jan. 1897. No. 1 W.	4th Dec. 1896, No. 4586 C.
<i>Funds.</i> —Letter from Superintending Engineer, I Circle, requesting that the balance of grant Rs. 3,000 for a Police office at Vizagapatam, be resumed, recorded, with reference to G.O., No. 3621 W., dated 16th December 1896.	4th do. do. No. 2 W.	16th Dec. 1896, No. 3621 W. 5th Dec. 1896, No. 4630 C. 17th Nov. 1896, No. 3298 W. 11th Dec. 1896, No. 3555 W.
<i>Uncommenced Works.</i> —Stating that the Government is not at present disposed to make any allotments for — and that the demand for funds for certain work at the Government Leper Hospital, Madras, should be renewed after the restriction on expenditure is withdrawn.	4th do. do. No. 3 W.	18th Nov. 1896, No. 3302 W.
<i>General Hospital.</i> —Supplemental estimates aggregating Rs. 855 for works in connection with the —, Madras, sanctioned with remarks.	4th do. do. No. 4 W.	4th Dec 1896, No. 3470 W. 15th Nov. 1896, No. 3297 W. 2nd Nov. 1896, No. 3124 W. 25th Sept. 1896, No. 2744 W. 7th Aug. 1895, No. 1954 W.
<i>Madras Port Department.</i> —Proceedings, Marine Department, reviewing the administration report of the — (including the reports of the Agent for Government Consignments and the Deputy Conservator of the Port of Madras) for 1895-96, recorded.	4th do. do. No. 5 W.	27th Nov. 1895, No. 3022 W.

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1 Subjects.	2 Numbers and Dates of Proceedings.	3 Date of Report to Secretary of State for India.	4 Numbers and Dates of previous Proceedings.
<i>Land Acquisition Rules.</i> —Proceedings, Revenue Department, communicating Government of India resolution amending Form AA appended to the — of 1895, communicated to officers of the Public Works Department.	1897. 19th Jan., No. 150 W.	...	(Continued). 6th Dec. 1895, No. 3882 C. 2nd Dec. 1895, No. 3789 C. 2nd Dec. 1895, No. 3788 C. 21st Nov. 1895, No. 3604 C. 14th Sept. 1895, No. 2288 W. 27th Nov. 1896, No. 3409 W.
<i>Irregular outlay.</i> —Communicating to Superintending Engineers concerned Government of India letter requesting that steps be taken to regularize the outlay incurred on specified works at end of June 1896, and replying to the enquiry of that Government with regard to the adjustment of the irregularities already pointed out.	20th Jan., No. 167 W.	...	20th Nov. 1896, No. 4279 C. 7th Sept. 1894, No. 2240 W. 23rd Aug. 1894, No. 2111 W. 6th June 1894, No. 1397 W. 14th Nov. 1896, No. 3271 W. 5th Nov. 1896, No. 3163 W. 18th Sept. 1896, No. 2667 W. 5th Aug. 1896, No. 2260 W.
The above forwarded to the Government of India.	20th Jan., No. 168 W.	...	
<i>Establishment.</i> —Sanction accorded to the entertainment, up to 31st March 1897, of certain additional — required in connection with the preparation of completion estimates for the Cauvery delta.	21st Jan., No. 209 W.	...	24th Nov. 1896, No. 3364. 19th Nov. 1896, No. 3323 W. 24th Oct. 1896, No. 3700 C. 13th Oct. 1896, No. 2924 W. 17th Aug. 1896, No. 2373 W. & file.
<i>Famine-relief Works.</i> —Four estimates for certain — in the North Arcot district, sanctioned.	21st Jan., No. 213 W.	...	
<i>Famine-relief Work.</i> —Estimate of Rs. 5,050 for restoring the cart-track from Olugathur to Melarasampet <i>via</i> Serpady and Gangasanikuppam, proposed as a — in the North Arcot district, sanctioned.	21st Jan., No. 214 W.	...	

1 Subjects.	2 Numbers and Dates of Proceedings.	3 Date of Report to Secretary of State for India.	4 Numbers and Dates of previous Proceedings.
<i>Madras Steam-boilers and Prime-movers Act III of 1893.</i> —Ordered that certain notifications under the — declaring that the Act shall come into force on the 1st February 1897 and making certain rules under the Act, be published in the <i>Fort St. George Gazette</i> .	1897. 23rd Jan., No. 215 W.	...	9th Dec. 1896, No. 4739 C. 8th Dec. 1896, No. 4706 C. 5th Dec. 1896, No. 4626 C. 5th Dec. 1896, No. 4627 C. 5th Dec. 1896, No. 3490 W. & file.
<i>Old European Infantry barracks at Trichinopoly.</i> —Government of India letter sanctioning the transfer to the Provincial Government of the —, on certain understanding, communicated to Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, for guidance.	23rd Jan., No. 216 W.	...	2nd Sept. 1896, No. 2552 W. 17th March 1891, No. 770 W. 1st June 1891, No. 1494 W. 24th Aug. 1891, Nos. 2282-83 W. 14th Oct. 1891, No. 2719 W. 10th June 1896, No. 1728 W.
<i>Leper Hospital, Madras.</i> —Estimate of Rs. 7,190 for constructing an upper storey to the female ward at the —, sanctioned for execution when funds are available.	23rd Jan., No. 225 W.	...	19th Dec. 1896, No. 5000 C. 18th Nov. 1896, No. 3302 W. 1st May 1896, No. 1386 W.
<i>Establishment.</i> —Sanction accorded to the entertainment, for specified periods, of certain survey — in connection with the Tirukkóyilúr anicut system in the South Arcot division.	23rd Jan., No. 226 W.	...	7th Jan. 1897, No. 96 C. 7th March 1896, No. 839 W.
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<i>Telephone.</i> —Recording letter from the Superintendent of Telegraphs reporting that the Examiner of Telegraph Accounts has been instructed to charge, with effect from 1st January 1890, the reduced rate of Rs. 20 per half mile of wire, for the supply of the — circuit connecting the Madras Observatory with Messrs. Orr & Co.'s clock.	23rd Jan., No. 228 W.	...	

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<i>Famine expenditure.</i> —Endorsement from the Examiner forwarding copy of circular from the Accountant-General Public Works Department, regarding the ordinary budget system of control being applicable to —, communicated to officers of the department for guidance.	27th Jan., No. 267 W.	...	8th Jan. 1897, No. 66 W. 23rd Dec. 1896, No. 3684 W.
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<i>Site for the Kurnool Cemetery.</i> —Proceedings, Ecclesiastical Department, on the subject of a —, communicated, with remarks, to Superintending Engineer, III Circle, for guidance; and the censure on Mr. Johnston ordered to be communicated to him on return from furlough.	14th do. do. No. 118 W.	
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<i>River jetties at Cocanada.</i> —Letter from Superintending Engineer, I Circle, stating that a report will be made if any additional grant is required for expenditure during the current official year on the extension of the —, recorded.	14th do. do. No. 114 W.	12th Dec. 1896, No. 3572 W. 23rd Nov. 1896, No. 3357 W. 24th Aug. 1896, No. 2445 W.
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<i>Estimate for Local Fund Work.</i> —Proceedings, Local and Municipal Department, requesting the Accountant-General to make the necessary adjustment in the accounts, in communication with the Examiner with regard to certain —, scrutinized by the Public Works Department during the quarter ending 31st March 1896, communicated to the Examiner.	9th do. do. No. 94 W.	
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<i>Transfer of services.</i> —Proceedings, Political Department, sanctioning, with remarks, the — of Accountant V. Kondayya Chetty to the Travancore Durbar for a term of five years, communicated to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.	19th do. do. No. 97 W.	13rd Dec. 1896, No. 4561 C. 29th Oct. 1896, No. 3789 C. 22nd Oct. 1896, No. 3634 C. 9th July 1896, No. 2001 W.
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<i>Funds.</i> —Proceedings, Financial Department, directing the Accountant-General to place a sum of Rs. 1,120, at the disposal of the Public Works Department, from Port — for deepening the Kallai bar, communicated to officers concerned.	9th do. do. No. 89 W.	15th Dec. 1896, No. 4851 C. 25th Nov. 1896, No. 606 E. 10th Feb. 1896, No. 80, Mar. 3rd Feb. 1896, No. 62, Mar. 8th Jan. 1896, No. 8, Mar. 16th Dec. 1895, No. 383, Mar. 27th Nov. 1895, No. 27, Mar. 4th July 1895, No. 197, Mar. 16th June 1894, No. 1498 W. 17th June 1894, No. 1214 W. 11th Dec. 1891, No. 3342 W.	Feb. 1895, No. 359 W. Feb. 1895, No. 494 C. Dec. 1896, No. 4781 C. April 1896, 1283 W. March 1896, No. 936 W. Nov. 1896, No. 4255 C. April 1896, No. 1882 C. March 1896, No. 1758 C. April 1896, No. 351 I. March 1896, No. 1101 W. March 1896, No. 1525 C. Nov. 1895, No. 3607 C. Aug. 1896, No. 2405 W. June 1895, No. 1544 W. Jan. 1894, No. 270 W. Nov. 1896, No. 3384 W. Sept. 1896, No. 2729 W. Dec. 1896, No. 3550 W.	8th do. do. No. 77 W.	16th Nov. 1895, No. 2938 W. 5th Nov. 1895, No. 2810 W. No. 1895,
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