

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 780

DATED 17 March 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserve Stock: The limit of — in the Kisumu
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to Rs. 1,08,900, as a temporary arrangement.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following paper:—

From Captain W. M. ELLIS, R.E., Executive Engineer, Kistna Northern division,
to the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, dated 12th February 1897,
No. 748 S.E.

I have the honour to bring to your notice that the balances standing on the 31st December 1896 at debit of the following sub-heads of stock have exceeded the reserve limits sanctioned in G.O., No. 2297 W., dated 26th August 1891, your Nos. 1549 K.S. and 6 K.S. of 7th October 1894 and 2nd April 1895, respectively, as follows:—

	Reserve limit.	Balance on the 31st December 1896.	Excess.
1. Small stores	Rs. 5,000	Rs. 6,512	Rs. 1,512
2. Building materials	11,000	9,182	
3. Timber	40,000	25,041	
4. Metal	23,200	25,573	2,373
5. Fuel	1,500	977	
6. Painter's stores	2,000	2,269	269
7. House fittings	300		
8. Miscellaneous	10,000	17,991	7,991
9. Manufacture of steel		451	
10. Sand kilns		7,452	7,452
11. Workshop		3,668	3,668
Total	93,000	94,153	

2. The arrival of the balance of stores from England and which I have been getting from Public Works Stores will further increase the following sub-heads by the amounts noted against each:—

1. Small stores	Rs. 429
2. Painter's stores	97
3. Miscellaneous	2,869
Total	3,395 or say 3,400

3. The excess in the reserve limit of stock is due partly to surrenders of grant under Provincial Buildings—Civil Works, but mostly to arrival of stores from England for 1896-97.

4. The excess under the above sub-heads comprise the following:—

Small stores.—The articles such as iron rivets and glass panes to the extent of Rs. 2,480 remain to be utilized. The former will be issued to the Workshop for the Taluk cutcherries now under construction.

Metals.—I have in stock large quantities of sheet iron, round and flat, bar iron, angle iron and square bar iron and these were purchased for constructing two iron punts and for other repairs of two floating plants. The articles required for the two iron punts will be consumed before the end of March 1897 and the other articles after the closure of canals when the repairs to plant commence.

Painter's stores.—Under this sub-head the balance of red lead and white lead ground in oil amounts to Rs. 1,999 and together with zinc white paint now received amounting to Rs. 97 and in all amounting to Rs. 2,096. Most of these were received from England and will be used upon repairs to floating plant for painting Public Works Department iron punts, staff boats, &c., during the next working season.

Miscellaneous.—The excess under this sub-head is very large. This includes several useless articles lying in store from a very long time and not used up on any work. I have included all these in the list of surplus articles forwarded to you in my letter, No. 268 S.E., dated 14th August 1896, and for which I await your orders. The miscellaneous articles such as asphalte, cotton belting and sundry articles received from England amount to Rs. 2,869 and these will disappear in course of time.

5. As has been stated above the excess is unavoidable and it is an excess temporarily only subject to a great deal of reduction by the end of 31st July 1897 and to avoid the objection of the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, Madras, I shall feel obliged by your being good enough to obtain the sanction of Government to the temporary excess of reserve stock from Rs. 93,000 to Rs. 1,08,900 distributed under the sub-heads as follows:—

	Reserve.	
	Present. Rs.	Proposed. Rs.
1. Small stores	5,000	7,000
2. Building materials	11,000	11,000
3. Timber	40,000	40,000
4. Metals	23,200	25,700
5. Fuel	1,500	1,500
6. Painter's stores	2,000	2,400
7. House fittings	300	300
8. Miscellaneous	10,000	21,000
Total	93,000	1,08,900

I may add I do not expect the gross value of my stock to exceed Rs. 1,00,000.

6. In this connection I further beg to bring to your notice I expect the balances of my Home indent to the extent of about Rs. 2,000. I am not aware when this will arrive at Madras and before they are debited to me by Public Works Stores, I may fairly expect a corresponding reduction in my stock.

No. 3316 K.N.

Forwarded to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, for favour of compliance.

2. The explanation for the excess is satisfactory, but up to date the list of stores referred to by the Executive Engineer as sent with his letter, No. 268 S.E. of 14th August 1896 remains undiminished.

3. The list was sent to the General Superintendent, Public Works Stores, with this office No. 241 Gl. on the 19th August 1896, and that officer will be called upon to state the steps he has taken to dispose of the surplus stock.

4. There is no market for the sale of surplus stores in Bezvada or the Kistna district, even timber side cuttings can only be disposed of at a great loss, as the few buyers combine when an auction is held.

(Signed)

W. L. C. BADDELEY, Major, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, II Circle.

18th February 1897.

No. 780 W., 17TH MARCH 1897.

ORDER—No. 780 W., dated 17th March 1897.

The limit of reserve stock in the Kistna Northern division will, as a temporary arrangement to extend to 31st July 1897, be increased to Rs. 1,08,900, as detailed in paragraph 5 of the Executive Engineer's letter. Efforts should be made to reduce the limit by the date named, and also to dispose of the surplus stock on hand. A report on these points will be looked for on the 20th July 1897.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, II Circle.
 „ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
 „ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Erd. P. Seetharam.

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1886

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From

Majr W. E. D. Addley R.E.
 Superintending Engineer,
 II Circle.

No. 3316 K.A.

Dated 18 February 1897

Received 20.2.97

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SUBJECT.

Stock articles in K.N.D. Forwards with remarks letter from the E.E. giving explanation for the excesses in — and he requesting temporary that sanction may be obtained for an temporary increase.

S.S. II circle

Ch. S. from S.

Gen. P. W. Secy.

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	Revenue limit	Balance on the 31.12.96	Excess
1. Small Stones	5000	6512	1512
2. Building materials	11,000	9182	
3. Timber	40,000	25,041	
4. Metal	23,200	25,573	2373
5. Fuel	1500	977	
6. Painter's stores	2000	2269	269
7. House fittings	300	-	
8. Miscellaneous	10,000	17,991	7991
9. Manufacture of Steel	-	451	
10. Sand Kilns	-	7452	7452
11. Workshop	-	3668	3668
	93,000	94,153	

1	Small Stones	Rs 429
2	Painters Stones	" 97
3	Miscellaneous	" 2869
	or Pay Rs 3400.	<u>3395</u>

3. The excess in the reserve limit of stock is due partly to surrenders of grant under Provincial Buildings Civil works but mostly to arrival of stores from England for 1896-97.

The excess under the above Sub heads comprise the following
Small Stones

The articles such as iron rivets and glass panes to the extent of Rs 2480 remain to be utilised.

The former will be issued to the Workshop Supt: during the working season on repairs to floating plant and the latter for the Talag Cutcheries now under construction.

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N.B. 3316 Rev

18.2.97

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W. B. B. B. B.

Major R.E.
Supg Engineer,
II Circle.