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Public Works (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 2645 & 2646

DATED 12th Oct 1898

25/11/98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Pampakam Spring Channel

Directing that, in connection with the Construction of a head Sluice to the ——, on behalf of the French Govt, recoveries be made on presentation of Vouchers & Completion Certificates and that in the meanwhile the Expenditure be debited to miscellaneous advances; And ordering that a Copy of the Gros: be forwarded to the Govt of India for information.

Pampakam Spring Channel

Forwarding Copy of Res: directing that, in connection with the Construction of a head Sluice to the —— on behalf of the French Govt, recoveries be made on presentation of Vouchers & Completion Certificates that, in the meanwhile the Expenditure be debited to miscellaneous advances.

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CIVIL WORKS.

Government {1898} of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

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Regd. *Spare copies*

G.O., Nos. 2645, 2646 W., 12th October 1898.

OCTOBER.

Rampakam Spring Channel

Forwarding copy of proceedings directing that, in connection with the construction of a head sluice to the — on behalf of the French Government, recoveries be made on presentation of vouchers and completion certificates and that, in the meanwhile, the expenditure be debited to Miscellaneous Advances.

[P. W. 4. 500-27-6-98.]

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers:—

From L. M. WYNCH, Esq., Acting Collector and Special Agent, South Arcot, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Political Department (through the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, Madras), dated Chengam, 30th March 1898, No. 257.

I have the honour to report the following case for the early orders of Government:—

2. Under articles 4 and 6 of the Convention dated 4th June 1897 (copy* enclosed), relative to the clearance of the North Malatar river by the French Government, the French Government was requested to place the amount of the estimate for constructing a head sluice to the Rampakam spring channel at the disposal of the Public Works Department (English), it having been agreed that the work should be undertaken and carried out by the English authorities.

* Enclosure No. 1.

3. In reply to my communication, the French Government, in its letter No. 21, dated 24th January 1898 (copy† enclosed), stated that, under the new system of accounts introduced in the French Colonies, advance payments could not be made in case of works undertaken by the English on behalf of the French Government and that all payments made by the French administration must be supported by necessary vouchers, completion certificates, &c.

† Enclosure No. 2.

4. I thereupon addressed the Executive Engineer on the subject and suggested that, under the circumstances brought to notice by His Excellency the French Governor, the arrangements proposed in paragraph 3 of his letter might be accepted.

5. The Executive Engineer referred the matter to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, and enquired whether the expenditure might be accounted for under miscellaneous advances pending recovery on completion of works or whether any arrangements could be made with the Civil Accountant-General for the adjustment of expenditure incurred month by month and stated that, if the former course was preferred, the vouchers would have to be retained in his office for submission to the French Government and that the debits to miscellaneous advances in the accounts rendered to the Examiner would be unsupported.

6. In reply, the Examiner stated that any departure from the rules and procedure of his department—in regard to contribution works—would have to receive the approval of Government.

7. In accordance with this ruling, I have the honour to request that, in view of the difficulty explained by His Excellency the French Governor, Government may be pleased to instruct the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, to accept the procedure suggested by the Executive Engineer or adopt such other measures as may seem expedient to him under the circumstances.

8. The Executive Engineer's letter to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, and his reply thereto are also *enclosed for the information of Government.

* Enclosure No. 3.

ENCLOSURES.

From the Executive Engineer, South Arcot Division, to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, Madras, dated 27th February 1898, No. 41.

I have the honour to inform you that some works have to be carried out by the Public Works Department from contributions realised from the French Government.

2. From the extract of letter No. 21, dated 24th January 1898, from His Excellency the Governor of French Settlements to the Special Agent, South Arcot, it will be seen that vouchers have to be rendered to that Government for expenditure incurred. The course indicated is understood to mean that contributions would not be paid in lump but that arrangements should be made for debiting expenditure month by month or at fixed intervals supported by necessary vouchers.

3. I have to inquire whether the expenditure may be accounted for under miscellaneous advances pending recovery on completion of works or whether any arrangements can be made with the Civil Accountant-General for the adjustment of expenditure incurred month by month.

4. If the former course is preferred, the vouchers will have to be retained in this office for submission to the French Government and the debits to miscellaneous advances in the accounts rendered to you will be unsupported.

From the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, Madras, to the Executive Engineer, South Arcot Division, dated 11th March 1898, No. 828 B./A.

With reference to your letter No. 41 Exr., dated 27th February 1898, I have the honour to state that my departure from the rules and procedure of this department in regard to contribution works would have to receive the approval of Government; and if any such departure is contemplated, the Government may be addressed accordingly through the proper channel.

No. 273 W.

Forwarded, through the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

(Signed) C. C. RAWSON, Col., R.E.,
Suptg. Engineer, V Circle.

17th April 1898.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 6th May 1898, No. 1514 B./A.

[Your office-note No. 2304 C., dated 27th April 1898.]

It is not quite clear why the French Government are unable to pay in advance for works they require executed by the Public Works Department and to comply with the only recognized condition under which this department can carry out works for other bodies. Our rules (Public Works Department Code I, IX, 81 and 82 IV) allow of no latitude beyond that the deposits may be authorised by instalments in special cases. The works undertaken for the French Government may amount to no small number, and I doubt if a sufficiently good case has been made out for what is tantamount to the advancing of Government money and bringing outlay on to our books entirely unsupported by vouchers in the manner suggested. The arrangement would, at any rate, be a one-sided one and it is for Government to decide whether the circumstances warrant it.

No. 290 D.

Forwarded to the Political Department, with the suggestion that the French Government should be urged to comply with the rules in the Public Works Code which govern the execution of contribution works, *i.e.*, Vol. I, chapter IX, paragraphs 81 and 82 (IV). As the proposals of the French Government now stand, Madras State funds would have to be expended on behalf of that Government and recovered subsequently on presentation of vouchers. There is no particular objection to this except that it is contrary to rules, and will have to be sanctioned by Government.

(Signed) W. B. deWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

16th May 1898.

From the Political Department,	dated	21st June	1898,	No.	
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts,	„	14th July	„	„	2428 B./A.
„ Political Department,	„	13th August	„	„	1707.

Office-note to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 5th September 1898, No. 3882 C.

Please say whether you consider a reference to the Government of India absolutely necessary, or whether this Government may accept the arrangement desired by the French Government as a special case.

(Signed) W. B. deWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

Office-note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 9th September 1898, No. 3117 B./A.

What is necessary in the case of all expenditure incurred by the Public Works Department is to see that it is either covered by a grant or by a deposit of funds.

2. In the case under reference, there is no grant, and it is necessary therefore that there should be a deposit of funds *before the work is commenced*. Under the circumstances, it is necessary either that the approval of the Government of India should be obtained to the relaxation of the rule, or that, if the Madras Government accepts beforehand the arrangement in question, the facts of the case be reported to India for information.

Order—No. 2645 W., dated 12th October 1898.

In his letter, No. 257, dated 30th March 1898, the Collector and Special Agent, South Arcot, reported that the French Government had been requested to place at the disposal of the Madras Public Works Department the amount of the estimate for constructing a head sluice to the Rampakam spring channel, a work which is to be carried out by the English authorities at the expense of the French Government, and that, in reply, the French Government intimated that, under a new system of accounts introduced into the French Colonies, advance payments could not be made, and that all payments made by the French Administration must be supported by necessary vouchers, completion certificates, &c.

2. Under paragraph 81, chapter IX, Volume I, Public Works Code, when works are carried out by the Public Works Department for private parties or other bodies, the contribution should be realised before any liability is incurred on account of the work; or in cases where Government is satisfied that the money will be forthcoming when required, it may authorise recoveries from the contributor by instalments. The Examiner is of opinion that even when recoveries are made by instalments they should be made in advance, and that if any relaxation of the rules is sanctioned by Government, the facts should be reported to the Government of India.

3. This clearly being a case in which the money will be forthcoming when required, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to accept the arrangement proposed by the French Government, viz., that recoveries shall be made on presentation of vouchers and completion certificates. Pending such recovery, the expenditure incurred will be debited to Miscellaneous Advances.

4. A copy of these proceedings will be forwarded to the Government of India for information.

[Here enter No. 2646 W., 12th October 1898.]

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. B. deWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ Political Department.

Endorsement—No. 2646 W., dated 12th October 1898.

Forwarded.

(By order.)

(Signed) W. B. deWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. J. Pereira.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Read letter from the Ag. Collector & Special agent S. Arcot No 257 dy 30-3-98.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Current No. 3504 of 1898, dated 7th April , from the S.E. V circle.
4023 1898, " 6th May , " the Exr, P.W. Accts.
" " 5473 " 1898, " 21st June , " the Political Dept.
" " 5945 " 1898, " 14th July , " the Exr, P.W. Accts &
" " 7341 " 1898, " 13th August , " the Political Dept
" " 7567 " 1898, " 9th September, " the Exr, P.W. Accts.
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ORDER.

In his letter No 257, dated 30th March, 1898, the Collector & Special agent, S. Arcot, reported that the French Government had been requested to place at the disposal of the Madras P.W. Department the amount of the estimate for constructing a head sluice to the Rampakam Spring Channel, a work, which is to be carried out by the English authorities at the expense of the French Government and that in reply, the French Government intimated that, under a new system of accounts introduced into the French Colonies

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Colonies, advance payments could not be made, and that all payments made by the French administration must be supported by necessary Vouchers, Completion Certificates, &c.

2. Under para 81, Chapter IX, Vol. I, P.W. Code, when works are carried out by the P.W. Department for private parties or other bodies, the Contribution should be realised before any liability is incurred on account of the work; or in cases where Government is satisfied that the money will be forthcoming when required, it may authorise recoveries from the Contributor by instalments. The Examiner is of opinion that even when recoveries are to be made by instalments, they should be made in advance, and that if any relaxation of the rules is sanctioned by Government, the facts should be reported to the Government of India

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4. A Copy of these Proceedings will be forwarded to the Govt of India for information.

AGK
14.9.98
(H.E. No-2646 W dy 12th September 1898)

Forwarded.

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To,

The S.E. V circle
" Examiner, P.W. Accts
" Political Department

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with. In his final note,

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Examiner suggests that, if the arrangement proposed is accepted by this Govt, the fact should be reported to the Govt. of India. This being a case in which there can be no doubt that the money will be forthcoming when required, it is proposed, for the time, to accept the arrangement & to forward a copy of the Proceedings of the Govt. of India.

ASW
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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated	189 , No.	
Again G.O., dated	189 , No.	
Current No. 3504	of 1898, dated 22nd April '98	from the S.E., V Circle.
" " 4023	" 1898, " 7th May 1898	" the Examiner, P.W. Accts.
" " 4581	" 1898, " 27th May 1898	" the Political Dept.

ORDER.

The following letter will be sent in the Political Dept. to the Govt. of the French Settlements in India.

Cr W

(H.E.No. W, dated June 1898)

To

H.E. the Governor of the
French Settlements in India

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to invite your Excellency's attention to the correspondence ending with your letter to the Collector of South Arcot, No. 21 dated 24th January 1898.

2. Your Govt. having been requested to place at the disposal of the Madras P.W. Dept. the amount of the estimate for constructing a head sluice

to

The S.E., V Circle.
" Political Dept., with copy of draft letter, as per rule.

The Hon the Chief Secy for favour of communication.

to the Rampakum Spring Channel, a work which is to be carried out by the British Engineers, at the cost of the French Govt., Your Excellency in the letter above quoted, replied to the effect that under the new system of accounts introduced in the French Colonies, advance payments could not be made in case of works undertaken by the British Engineers on behalf of the French Govt., and that all payments made by the French Administration must be supported by necessary vouchers, completion certificates &ca.

3. I have now the honour to forward for your Excellency's information extracts from the rules on the subject framed by the Govt. of India, from which it will be seen that in the case of works executed by the British P.W.Dept. from funds not under the control of the British Govt., the cost of the work must be paid in advance either in a lump sum or by suitable instalments. Under your proposals, Madras State funds would have to be expended on behalf of your Govt., and recovered subsequently on presentation of vouchers, and as this would be in direct conflict with the rules above quoted ~~there appears to be no reason why this should be done~~, I have the honour to request that Your Excellency will be good enough to consider whether the amount of the estimate cannot be placed in advance at the disposal of the P.W.Department of this Govt. If preferred, the money may be paid by such instalments as may be found convenient.

Be pleased to accept the assurance of the high consideration &ca

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enclo. No 12
to Sdl. dt No 1067

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enough to comply with the British Govt. rules on the subject, both in the case of the work now mentioned and others to be undertaken by my P.W.Dept. on behalf of your Govt.

Be pleased to accept the assurance of the high consideration &c

Note - If approved, letter will be signed by His Exy, in the Political Dept.

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Note

The question whether British or French Rules are to be followed - The matter is not of great importance, perhaps in the interests of international comity, it would be best to give way - If we do, sanction of Govt of India will be needed. The payments, instalments mentioned in the rules, are also to be made in advance.

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Extract para 81, Chapter IX, Vol. I, P.W. Code:-

The contribution should be realized before any liability is incurred on account of the work. The contribution should be paid into treasury to the credit of the Public Works Department in whose accounts it should be credited to " Deposits ". In cases where the Local Government is satisfied that the money will be forthcoming when required, it may authorize the recovery from the contributor by suitable instalments on fixed dates.

No interest will be allowed on sums deposited as private contributions for Public Works.

Clause IV, para 82, Chapter IX, Volume I P.W. Code:-

The necessary funds for the prosecution of the work must be realized and paid into the Government treasury either in a lump sum or in such instalments and by such dates as the Local Government shall decide in each case. All amounts so realized must be credited to "Deposits" in the accounts of the department. No advance of Government money for such purpose will be permitted, and in a case where the money is

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paid by instalments, Government will not be resposible for any increase in cost, or damage to the uncompleted work, caused by a temporary stoppage of the work pending receipt of further instalments.

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SUBJECT.

Head Sluice to Ramapuram Spring Channel for the French Govt — stating that the Sanction of G of I is necessary for the Construction of — by the British Govt.

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Please see Adjt reply to the unofficial reference. The papers may, it is subd, be returned to PWD.

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Yr Hopper

No 1707 dy 13th August 1898
TO P.W.D.
W.O.

Hopper

No 3882C d/5 September 98.
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Please say whether you consider a reference to the Govt. of India absolutely necessary, or whether this Govt. may accept the arrangement decided by the French Govt. as a special case.

W Hicks
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No. 3117 B/A dated 9th September 1898.

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W.

What is necessary in the case of all expenditure incurred by the P.W. Department is to see that it is either covered by a grant or by a deposit of funds.

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P.W. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 7341

No: 3882C dy 5-9-98

From The Political Dept:.

To C

Please say whether you consider a reference to the Govt: of India absolutely necessary, or whether this Govt: may accept the arrangement desired by the French Govt:, as a special case.

(Initd) W.B. de W

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding correspondence relative to the adjustment of outlay in connection with the construction of a head sluice to Kanapakam Spring Channel, a French Govt: Work.

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CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS 10 AUG. 1898

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE 25 JUL 98 MADRAS

CURRENT No. 7763

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Forwarded to the Chief Secretary for favour of any further remarks he may wish to make. It will perhaps be well to consult the Accountant General, as he agrees with the Examiner, P.W.A. & A. in the proposed

To The Chief Secretary to G. for consideration

Order

By the rule

No. 1617 dated 23-7-98.

Read 2/7/98 To the Asst. Engr. 20.7.98

G.O.

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No: A3V 15.57. dated 8-8-98

This seems like a case which the P.W.D. rules do not provide for. If the Examiner will not accept Local Fund orders under Art. 61 Civil Code para 1. there is no alternative but a Main Estimate as the subject. We are not required does not on the mentioned in the correspondence attached.

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From The Examiner P.W. Accts. Madras

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Execution of Certain Works for the French Government ——— stating that recoveries of Contribution for the ——— should be made in advance.

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EXAMINER,
P. W. ACCOUNTS.
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C. a. w. Ch. 5945/

With reference to the additions made to your draft letter W it is submitted that the Accountant General has no voice in P. W. matters

H.C. 20/7/98

I do know but suggests a Subordinate accountant to the C. Engr.

From The Political dept.

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C. No 686. Rec: 27.5.98

No 1179 of 21st May 1898.

To.

P. W. D

Please see para 3 of G.O. No 758 Pol. of 7th August 1886 which lays down the correct procedure in addressing the Govt. of the Straits Settlements.

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No 4732 of 13th June 1898

To Political dept.

Draft Proceedings are now forwarded for Countersignature, but it is pointed out that the papers were previously endorsed on to the Political Dept. because the letter from the Ag. Collector of Stamp Revenue of 30.3.98 was addressed to the Chief Secretary

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Government of Madras.

DEPARTMENT.

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~~Madras,~~ 7th July 1898.

OFFICE NOTE.

From W

To C

Please read the accompanying notes on the subject of contributions for works carried out on behalf of the French Government and favour me with your opinion as to whether, if instalments are sanctioned, it is necessary, under the rules, that they should be paid in advance.

RS

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Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Ootacamund, 7th July 1898.

OFFICE NOTE.

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(Sd) W. B. deW
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Secty's note of
6.7.98

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These rules might perhaps be sent to C.E. for opinion. He is the proper adviser of Govt in matters of this kind, and if he disagreed with the orders of Govt based on the Chief Secretary's view, it would be his duty to object.

K.S.
7 July 98

Yes. Let a letter be arranged sent with the C.S. - Letter C to Carlshum to ascertain his opinion as to whether if instalments are allowed, this under the rules. Must they be paid in advance

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Enclosure No. 1.

Convention entered into between the English and the French Governments regarding the clearance of the North Malatar in the Villapuram Taluq.

The French Government having applied for permission from the English to clear the Malatar river from the South Indian Railway Bridge to the Nettapatum Division dam owing to the river having been much silted up and in consequence of the supply therein much reduced and it having been decided that three dams across the river below the head of the Venkatandriagarum supply channel, that of the Rampakkum Spring channel and of the Puvarasankuppam supply channel should be constructed with crest at the proper bed level of the river in each point in reference to the bed level of

Convention entrevenue entre les gouvernements français et anglais concernant le curage de la partie Nord du Malatar dans le taluq de Villapuram.

Le Gouvernement français ayant demandé au Gouvernement anglais l'autorisation de curer la rivière du Malatar depuis le pont du South Indian Railway jusqu'au barrage de Nettépatum, parce que le lit de la dite rivière étant ensablé, l'alimentation a diminué, il a été décidé que des seuils à travers la rivière seraient construits en aval des canaux d'embranchement de Vengatadriagarum, Pourvancoupam et du canal de source de Rampakam, de façon que leurs crêtes correspondent au niveau propre du lit de la rivière et au niveau du lit de ces canaux de manière que les Français n'approfondissent pas le lit de la rivière à

of the respective channel, lest the French should deepen the river at random;

We Monsieur Cussy, Conducteur principal, delegate of French Government on one side, and Mr. Rhys. Panchanadayer, Tindivanum Sub Divisional officers deputed by the English on the other in view to fix the crest level of the aforesaid dams, having inspected the localities and taken necessary levels, have agreed, subject to the approval of higher authorities of both the Governments as follows:-

Article 1

That a masonry dam shall be constructed across the river below the head of the Venkatadriagaram supply channel along the line measured 63 feet eastward at right angles from boundary stone dividing the limits of Sandanoor and Pillur and situated on the west of pathway from the river to Ramanathapuram village near the head of the channel with crest 8 feet below the top level of the boundary stone above described or at a level 18.42 feet below the top of eastern cutwater of centre pier of the Railway bridge over the Malatar situated at about 3/4 mile about the site of the proposed dam.

Article 2

That a masonry dam shall be constructed across the river below the head of Poovarasankuppam supply channel on a line measured 51 feet southwards from the centre bed of the said channel at its head; the crest of the proposed dam shall be 0.50 ft. below the floor of road bridge (of 2 vents of 30 feet span) carrying trunk road No. 8 across the Malattar at 1350 feet above the site of the proposed dam.

Article 3.

That a masonry dam shall be built across the Malatar below the head of the Rampakam Spring channel on a line forming perpendicular to the point measured 60 feet eastwards from the centre of the pathway to

à leur volonté,

Nous, A. Cussy, Conducteur principal, délégué du Gouvernement français d'une part, et Panchanadayer, Officier de la Sous-division de Tindivanum, délégué du Gouvernement anglais d'autre part, dans le but de fixer le niveau des crêtes des dits seuils, après avoir visité les lieux et fait les nivellements nécessaires, avons arrêté la convention suivante qui doit être soumise à l'approbation des autorités supérieures des deux Gouvernements:

Article 1er.

Un seuil en maçonnerie sera construit en travers la rivière en aval du canal d'embranchement de Vengadadriagaram suivant la ligne passant à 63 pieds mesurés à angle droit vers l'Est de la borne de délimitation des villages de Sendanour et Pillour, situés à l'ouest de la route conduisant de la rivière au village de Ramanadapouram près de la prise d'eau du canal. Le sommet de ce seuil sera à 8 pieds en contre-bas de celui de la borne ci-dessus décrite ou à 18.42 pieds au-dessous de celui de l'avant-bec de la pile du milieu du pont du chemin de fer sur le Malatar situé à 3/4 mille environ de l'endroit où le seuil est proposé

Article 2.

Un seuil en maçonnerie sera construit en travers la rivière en aval de la tête du canal d'embranchement de Poursan-couppam suivant une ligne passant à 51 pieds mesurés vers le sud depuis l'axe du dit canal. Le sommet du seuil proposé sera à 0.50 pied au-dessous du seuil du pont de la route No. 8 ayant 2 ouvertures de 30 pieds de largeur sur le Malatar à 1350 pieds en amont de l'endroit où le seuil est proposé

Article 3

Un seuil en maçonnerie sera construit en travers le Malatar en aval de la tête du canal de source de Rampacom sur une ligne perpendiculaire au point situé à 60 pieds à l'est du centre de la route de Poursancouppam près de sa jonction avec

to Poovarasankuppam near its junction with the Malatar. This dam shall have its crest at 8.75 ft. below the B.M. marked in the tar on the plinth of the temple (Eswaran - covil) lying the east of Poovarasankuppam village at 13 feet from its south-west corner.

Article 4

That these three dams shall be constructed at the entire cost of the French Government in accordance with the plans and estimates that would be furnished by the English.

Article 5.

That the French shall not under any circumstance deepen the river below the crest level of these dams

Article 6.

That a supply sluice shall be constructed in the south bank of the Malatar at the crossing of the Rampakum Spring channel at the expense of the French Government as per plan and estimates furnished by the English.

Article 7.

That the assent on the part

avec le Malatar. Ce seuil aura son sommet à 8.75 pieds au dessous de la marque B.M. faite au Collet sur la plinthe à 13 pieds de l'angle sud-ouest de la pagode d'Esparien covil situé à l'Est du village de Pourancoupam.

Article 4.

Ces trois seuils seront construits aux frais du Gouvernement Français suivant les plans et les estimations fournis par le Gouvernement anglais.

Article 5.

Les Français s'engagent à ne jamais approfondir le canal au dessous du sommet de ces seuils en aucune circonstance.

Article 6.

Une écluse d'alimentation sera construite dans la berge Sud du Malatar à travers le Canal de source de Rampacam aux frais du Gouvernement Français suivant les plans et estimation fournis par le Gouvernement anglais.

Article 7.

L'acceptation de cette convention par

part of the English shall in no way Empower the French to have any control over the river or to interfere with the Manool rights of the English ryots, such as erecting mud dams across the river below the heads of their respective channels to divert supply into them

(Signed) S. Panchanadayar
overseer D.P.W.
26.4.97.

(Signed) J.S. Wilson
Executive Engineer.
10.5.97.

Approved.
(Signed) A.E. Castlestuart Stuart
Collector and Special
Agent, South Arcot.
4.6.97.

par les Anglais ne donnera en aucun cas aux Français la faculté de contrôler et d'intervenir dans les droits que confère le Manoul (usage) aux Cultivateurs Anglais tels que constructions de barrage en terre en travers la rivière en aval des prises d'eau de leurs canaux respectifs pour leur alimentation.

(Signed) A. Cussy.
23.3.97

(Signed) A. Guerre,
Chef du Service des
Ponts et Chaussés
23.3.97.

Approuvé
(Signed) Ed. Ribon
Le Directeur de l'Intérieur.

(True Copy)

Deputy Collector
Hony. Collector and Special
Agent, South Arcot.

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Subject and suggested that, under the circumstances brought to notice by His Excellency the Bench Governor the arrangements proposed in para 3 of his letter might be accepted.

5. The Executive Engineer referred the matter to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, and enquired whether the expenditure might be accounted for under Miscellaneous advances pending recovery on completion of works or whether any arrangements could be made with the Civil Accountant General for the adjustment of expenditure incurred month by month and stated that, if the former course was preferred, the vouchers would have to be retained in his office for submission to the Bench Government and that the debits to Miscellaneous advances in the accounts rendered to the Examiner would be

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be unsupported.

6. In reply, the Examiner stated that any departure from the rules and procedure of his department - in regard to contribution works - would have to receive the approval of Government

7. In accordance with this ruling, I have the honour to request that, in view of the difficulty explained by His Excellency the French Governor, Government may be pleased to instruct the Examiner Public Works Accounts to accept the procedure suggested by the Executive Engineer or adopt such other measures as may seem expedient to him under the circumstances.

8. The Executive Engineer's letter to the Examiner Public Works Accounts and his reply thereto are also enclosed for the information of Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
[illegible]
Deputy Collector
For Ag: Collector and Special Asst.

*(Enc: No. 3)

O.W.C. No. 6
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GOVT. OF MADRAS. } 1898. { P.W. DEPT.

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 16th July 1898.

OFFICE NOTE No. 2418 B/A

To

W.

Your O.N.No.605 D dated 7th July 1898.

Yes, I take it to be the intention of the rules that when recoveries are, under proper sanction, to be made by instalments, they should nevertheless be made in advance.

16.7.98

C.

16/7/98

[G. / 18]
50—28-5-98.

Political Department.

O. W. Current No: E-11 ~~5473~~ 5965/98 7301/98

O.W. C. No. 4687

NOTE FOR THE C.S.

Recd. 30.6.98.

Please see the Secy's note at the end of the draft letter. Sutt? that it would be better to O.W.D. to address India first in regard to a relaxation of the rules ~~referred to~~ in this particular case. In any case the latter portion of the draft letter appears to be too peremptory & should, as thought, be modified

Cus. 206 98

The rules which are referred to say "in cases where the Local Govt is satisfied that the money will be forthcoming when required, it may authorise the recovery from the contractor by instalments as fixed above." By fixing suitable instalments no advances may with hardship be made. At any rate there will be no breach of the rules & no warning to issue to India. The draft entirely need revision.

J. Westland

O.C.S 206
30/6/98
To the P.W.D.

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Political Dept.

E. No. 27.

Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. ~~4023~~ 5505/98

~~Old Current No 4/98~~

Order Endt
No. 2902. dated 16th May 1898.

Forwarded to The Political Dept. with the suggestion that the French Government should be urged to comply with the rules in the P.W. Code which govern the execution of contribution works, i.e. Vol I. chap IX. paras 81 & 82 (IV). as the purposes of the French Govt. now stand, unless State funds would have to be expended on behalf of the French Government. ~~that Govt. & reserved~~ Stating that it is for Government subsequently on presentation of vouchers. to issue orders regarding Here is no the adjustment of outlay in particular Mechanism in this case/Connection with the ~~that~~ that it is entirely in order, and have

From The Examiner P.W. Accounts, Mahas & Coorg

No 1514 B/A

Dated 6th May 1898

Received 7.5.98

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SUBJECT.

Execution of Certain Works for the French Government.

We handed to Govt. now

[illegible]

16.5.98 Supdt. 5 Regd. 17-do

Read 16/5/98

To Political Dept

The last instalment of the drop. letter has been received, & the drop Pass. are forwarded again for countersignature -

W

Cpy

I beg to point out that the Chief Secretary is in error in supposing that if by paying suitable instalments no advances of money will have to be made. The instalments have still to be paid in advance, the first one before work commences, vide Clause IV para 42 Chap IX Vol I of P-W Code, so that this forms if payment is equally opposed to the French Govt rules - I think the best solution of the difficulty is to apply to India to relax the rules as a special case

This does not seem to me the intention of the rule. If top recoveries are the made in suitable instalments: i.e. you do the work and receive its cost: I do not see what instalments have the paid in advance -

16/7/98.

2-7-98

To The P.W. Department.

under No 4 B&A Cir 1067

1,000—6-9-97.

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dated 189 .

Madras, 6th May 1897

OFFICE NOTE No. 1514 B/A

To

W.

Your O.N.No.2304 C dated 27th April &c

It is not quite clear why the French Government are unable to pay in advance for works they require executed by the P.W.Department and to comply with the only recognized condition under which this Department can carry out works for other bodies.Our rules (P.W.D. Code I.IX.81 & 82 IV) allow of no latitude beyond that the deposits may be authorised by instalments in special cases.The works undertaken for the French Government may amount to no small number,and I doubt if a sufficiently good case has been made out for what is tantamount to the advancing of Government money and bringing outlay on to our books entirely unsupported by vouchers in the manner suggested. The arrangement would,at any rate,be a one-sided one,and it is for Government to decide whether the circumstances warrent it.

W/6.5.98

G. 2865/98

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Ltr 2304c dated 27th April 1898
~~Order~~ O.H.

To C

From The Supg. Engineer
5 Circle

Please say what
course you would advise,
with reference to the
latter part of para 7 of the
Collector's letter

No. 273 W

Dated 17.4.98
Despd 21.4.98
Received 22.4.98
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SUBJECT.

Ramapatam Spring channel
(a French Govt work). Forwards
South arcot Special agent
letter to the address of the
of the Chief Engineer Secretary to Govt
for ordering for orders to the
procedure to be adopted in
the adjustment of expenditure
incurred for comply: a head Clerk
to _____ (to be issued to the Examiner

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Enclosure No. 2.

Pondichéry, le 24 Janvier 1898.

No. 21.

Le Gouverneur des Établissements
Français dans l'Inde, L. Girod,

à Monsieur le Collecteur
de
Cuddalore,
South Arcot.

EXAMINER,
P. W. ACCOUNTS.
28 APR. 1898
No

Monsieur le Collecteur,

J'ai l'honneur de vous accuser réception de vos lettres en date des 26, 7bre et 4, 9bre derniers, Nos 561, & 652 relatives à l'estimation et à la construction d'une écluse en tête du canal de source de Rampacom.

S'il n'a pas été répondu plutôt à vos communications, c'est qu'une difficulté a été soulevée par le trésor à la suite d'observa-tions présentées par l'inspection financière des colonies et la cour des comptes.

Jusqu'à présent les sommes prévues au budget de la colonie pour des travaux à entreprendre à frais communs avec le Gouvernement anglais avaient pu être mises, comme avances, à la disposition des autho-rités voisines, lorsque celles-ci se chargeaient de l'entreprise des travaux. Il ne sera plus possible à l'avenir

l'avenir d'agir de cette façon. Des pièces justificatives étant exigées à l'appui du mandat de paiement, des factures de remboursement des travaux exécutés, devront être produites.

Je vous serai obligé de vouloir bien me faire connaître, si vous acquiescez à ce nouveau mode de paiement.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Collecteur, l'assurance de ma haute considération.

/Signé/ L. Girod,
Gouverneur.

/True Copy/

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Deputy Collector
For Ag: Collector and Special Agent, South Arcot, Cuddalore.

T.D.C.

Enclosure No. 3

Letter No. 41 dated 27th February 1898 from the Executive Engineer, S. Arcot Dn to the Examiner P. W. accounts, Madras.

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I have the honor to inform you that some works have to be carried out by the P.W.D from contributions realised from the French Government.

2. From the extract of letter No 21 dated 24th January 1898 from His Excellency the Governor of French Settlements to the Special Agent, South Arcot, it will be seen that vouchers have to be rendered to that Government for expenditure incurred. The course indicated is understood to mean that contributions would not be paid in lump but that arrangements should be made for debiting expenditure month by month or at fixed intervals supported by necessary vouchers.

3. I have to inquire whether the Expenditure may be accounted for under Miscellaneous Advances pending recovery on completion of works or whether any arrangements can be made with the Civil Accountant-General for the adjustment of expenditure incurred month by month.

4. If the former course is preferred, the vouchers will have to be retained in this office for submission to the French Government and the debits to Miscellaneous Advances in the accounts rendered to you will be unsupported.

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Letter No. 828 B/A dated 11th March 1898 from the Examiner P. W. Accounts Madras to the Executive Engineer, South Arcot Division.

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With reference to your letter No. 41 Dated 27th February 1898, I have the honor to state that any departure from the rules

and procedure of this Department in regard to contributions works would have to receive the approval of Government; and if any such departure is contemplated, the Government may be addressed accordingly through the proper channel.

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/True copies/

Executive Engineer 24/3/98

Special Agent's Office,
South Arcot,
Camp: Chengam, Dated 30th March 1898

No. 257

From

L. M. Wynch Esquire
Actg. Collector and Special Agent,
South Arcot,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Political Department,
Fort St. George,

Through

The Superintending Engineer,
V Circle,
Madras.

No. 2736 dt 4

Forwarded through the Chief Engr. P.W.D.

C. L. Lamson
17.4.98 Col. R.E
Supdg Engr V. circle

Sir,

I have the honour to report the following case for the early orders of Government:—

2. Under articles 4 and 6 of the convention dated 4th June 1897 (copy enclosed) relative to the clearance of the North Arcot River by the French Government — the French Government was requested to place the amount of the estimate for constructing

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constructing a head Sluice to the Rampakum Spring channel at the disposal of the Public Works Depart- ment (Engl.) it having been agreed that the work should be undertaken and carried out by the English authorities.

3. In reply to my com- munication, the Dench Govern- ment in its letter No 21 dated 24th January 1898 (Copy Enclosed) stated that, under the new System of accounts introduced in the Dench Colonies, advance payments could not be made in care of works undertaken by the English on behalf of the Dench Government and that all payments made by the Dench administration must be supported by necessary Vouchers, completion certificates &c.

4. I thereupon addressed the Executive Engineer on the — Subject