

Public Works (1899) Department.

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G.O., No. 1744 W

DATED 8th July 1899

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[Despatch Abstract.]

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Govt of India Resolution in the Military
Despatch regarding the erection of benilamps in
the vicinity of any — or cantonment,
Command to officers of the P.W. Despatch in
continuation of G.O. No. 410 W of 18th February
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

READ—the following paper :—

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Public Works Department Circular No. XXVII, dated Fort William, 20th December 1881.

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Resolution of the Government of India, Military Department, No. 193 M.W., dated 17th January 1898, laying down the procedure to be observed for dealing with applications for permission to erect buildings in the vicinity of any fort or cantonment.

Resolution.—In modification of the procedure prescribed above, the Governor-General in Council has decided that all applications shall be dealt with as follows :—

When the fort or cantonment concerned is in charge of the officers of the Military Works Department, the application should be referred by the local Executive Engineer of the Military Works Department, with an expression of his opinion, to the General Officer Commanding the District, by whom

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it will be returned, with his remarks, to the Executive Engineer, for transmission, through the Superintending Engineer of the Circle, to the Chief or Superintending

Engineer of the Command, who will, under the orders of the Lieutenant-General Commanding consult the local Government or Administration concerned, and submit the application to the Director-General of Military Works. The Director-General of Military Works will refer the application to the Quartermaster-General in India, for the opinion of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, as also for the opinion of the Defence Committee, should he consider the latter course desirable; he will then submit the application for the orders of the Government of India with any observations he may consider necessary.

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3. The procedure indicated above will not apply to the case of Fort William, Calcutta, and the adjoining lands, building operations in the vicinity of this fort being controlled under special rules.

Order.—Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations and the officers marginally noted, for information and guidance.

Ordered also, that a copy be forwarded to the Public Works Department for information and alteration of Public Works Department Code, Volume I, Chapter VII, paragraph 35.

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To the Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal, P.W. Dept.
To the Secretary to the Govt. of the N.-W. Provinces and Oudh, P.W. Dept.
To the Secretary to the Govt. of the Punjab, P.W. Dept.
To the Chief Secretary to the Government of Burma.
To the Chief Commissioners, Central Provinces and Assam.
To the Resident at Hyderabad.
To the Agents to the Governor-General, Rajputana and Central India, and Baluchistan.
To the Director-General of Military Works.
To the Quartermaster-General in India.
To the Secretary, Defence Committee.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. DALLAS, Major, R.E.,
for Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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Communicated to officers of the Public Works Department, in continuation of G.O., No. 410 W., dated 18th February 1898.

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Under Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Superintending Engineers.
„ the Consulting Architect to Government.
„ the Superintendent of Works, Lighthouse Division.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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Defences.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 14th June 1899.

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

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Secretary to the Government of India.

Major G. C.