

Public Works (1890) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 953. Ry

DATED 4th July

[Despatch Abstract.]

Powers of officers in charge of executive division. —
Resolution of the Government of India extending to
open lines of state Railways, the provisions of circular
authorising local Governments to confer increased
powers at their discretion to the extent noted upon
selected officers in charge of executive divisions
in the Buildings and Roads Irrigation and
Railway Construction communicated to the
Public Works Department communicated to the
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

BACK PAPERS.

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11TH NOVEMBER 1889, No. 3198 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following :—

Circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department (Account—General), dated Simla, 22nd October 1889, No. 13, Public Works.

Powers of Officers in charge of Executive Divisions.

Read—

Paragraph 433 of the report by the Committee on Public Works Accounts.

SUBJECT No. XXVI.

Powers of Divisional and Sub-divisional Officers.

433. The Committee thinks that it should be within the discretion of Local Governments and Administrations to confer increased powers, as below, upon selected officers in charge of executive divisions :—

- To sanction requisitions and petty estimates up to a limit of Rs. 500.
- To write off losses of stock up to a limit of Rs. 500.
- To purchase English stores in India for sanctioned works up to a limit of Rs. 1,000 for each work.
- To purchase from a Government workshop materials or manufactures to any extent for which there is provision in a sanctioned estimate and an appropriation for the year.
- To accept contracts for sanctioned works up to a limit of Rs. 5,000; the limit of report to the Superintending Engineer being raised to Rs. 2,000.
- To adjust the balances of manufacture accounts, if the rates of out-turn be not increased by more than 10 per cent. over the estimate or the current stock rates. It has to be remembered that articles are manufactured solely for the works and that the works must consequently bear the whole cost of the manufactures. The outlay is passed through suspense, merely that the Executive officers may watch the economy of their manufactures.

Resolution.—The Government of India is not able to reconsider at present the question raised in clause (c) of paragraph 433 regarding the limit up to which English stores may be purchased in India, but is pleased to accept the other recommendations made by the Committee in the above paragraph.

2. Local Governments and Administrations are hereby authorized to confer increased powers at their discretion, to the extent noted, upon selected officers in charge of executive divisions.

3. These orders are applicable to the Buildings and Roads, Irrigation and Railway Construction Branches of the Department.

The Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North-Western Provinces and Oudh,
and the Punjab.
The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, Burma, Assam and Coorg.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Resident, Mysore (for information).
The Agents to the Governor-General for Central India, Rajputana and Biluchistan.
The Director-General of Telegraphs (for information).
The Accountant-General, Public Works Department.
The Superintendent of Port Blair, and Chief Commissioner, Andaman and Nicobar
Islands.
The Director-General of Railways.
For information.
The Consulting Engineers to the Government of India for Railways, Calcutta, Lucknow,
and Central Division.
The Comptroller-General.
The Accountant-General, Bengal.

Order— Ordered
that the foregoing be
communicated to the
Local Governments
and Administrations
and to the Officers
noted in the margin
for information and
guidance.

(Signed) R. C. B. PEMBERTON, Col., R.E.,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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

ORDER—dated 11th November 1889, No. 3198 W., Public Works.

Communicated to officers of the Public Works Department.

2. Superintending Engineers will, from time to time, submit the names of selected
Executive Engineers in their circles, who, in their opinion, should be granted
increased powers under this order.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. R. E. DRAKE-BROCKMAN, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Chief Engineer, Periyár Project.
To Superintending Engineers.
To the Consulting Architect to Government.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

GENERAL
ACCOUNT.

Gobt. of {1889} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated November, 11th.

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G.O., 11th Nov. 1889, No. 3198 W.

NOVEMBER.

**Powers of Divisional and Sub-
divisional Officers**

Circular from the Government of India authorizing Local Governments to increase the —, communicated to the officers concerned.

[For general distribution.]

Circular No. 5 Railway.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ACCOUNT.

Railway.

Simla, the 5th June 1890.

Powers of Officers in charge of Executive Divisions.

Read again—

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- (c) To purchase English stores in India for sanctioned works up to a limit of Rs. 1,000 for each work.
- (d) To purchase from a Government workshop materials or manufactures to any extent for which there is provision in a sanctioned estimate and an appropriation for the year.
- (e) To accept contracts for sanctioned works up to a limit of Rs. 5,000; the limit of report to the superintending engineer being raised to Rs. 2,000.
- (f) To adjust the balances of manufacture accounts, if the rates of out-turn be not increased by more than 10 per cent. over the estimate or the current stock rates. It has to be remembered that articles are manufactured solely for the works and that the works must consequently bear the whole cost of the manufactures. The outlay is passed through suspense, merely that the executive officers may watch the economy of their manufactures.

Read also—

Letter No. 88A. of the 17th May 1890, from the Director General of Railways.

RESOLUTION.—In the above quoted Circular the Government of India accepted the recommendations made by the Public Works Accounts Committee in para. 433 of their report except clause (c), and authorized Local Governments and Administrations to confer increased powers at their discretion, to the extent noted, upon selected officers in charge of executive divisions in the Buildings and Roads, Irrigation and Railway Construction Branches of the Department.

2. On the recommendation of the Director General of Railways the Government of India is now pleased to extend to Open Lines of Railway the provisions of Circular No. 13 P.W., dated 22nd October 1889, so far as they relate to the acceptance of contracts as defined in clause (e) of para. 433 of the Report by the Committee on Public Works Accounts.

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ORDER.—Ordered, that the foregoing be communicated to the Local Gov-

For information and guidance.
The Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North-Western Provinces and
Oudh, and the Punjab.
The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, Burma, and Assam.
The Director General of Railways.
The Accountant General, Public Works Department.

For information only.
The Chief Commissioner Coorg.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Agents to the Governor General for Central India, Rajputana, and Baluchis-
tan.
The Superintendent of Port Blair and Chief Commissioner, Andaman and Nico-
bar Islands.
The Director General of Telegraphs.
The Consulting Engineers to the Government of India for Railways, Calcutta,
Lucknow, and Central Division.
The Comptroller General.

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R. W. Sankar
Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

To
The Secy to the Govt. of Madras

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