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Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th May 1870.*

No. 111. Read the following letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 26th April 1870, No. 176:—

On receipt of G. O., No. 572, dated the 19th February 1870, the new forms of half-yearly accounts, together with a copy of the Resolution of the Government of India, were forwarded to the Agents of the several Railways in this Presidency.

2. I have now the honour to submit a letter* received from the Agent of the Madras Railway, stating that certain doubts are entertained by the Company's

* No. 198, dated 8th April 1870.

Officers with reference to the meaning of the words "inter-departmental adjustments" in No. 8 of the General Instructions appended to the forms; and, in accordance with Mr. Elwin's request, I beg that the matter may be referred for the orders of the Government of India.

3. I also forward copy of my letter to the Agent and Manager, in which I have explained the interpretation that I put upon the points in question.

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 8th April 1870, No. 198.

In reference to the letter from your office No. 95 of the 1st ultimo, and to the Order of Government, No. 572, dated the 19th of February last, referred to therein, I have the honour to inform you that, at a meeting of officers called to consider the new forms of half-yearly accounts, a doubt was expressed by some as to the meaning which is intended to be conveyed by the words "inter-departmental adjustments" in No. 8 of the General Instructions which are appended to the forms.

2. It is not clearly understood, in the case of one department doing work for another and classifying the expense of that work in the *departmental Pay Sheet* in order that it may be charged in the manner prescribed by the instructions, whether such a course would be considered a "departmental adjustment" and not admissible.

3. For instance in the General Instructions (No. 12) it is stated that "under wages permanent-way will be included all charges for labour incurred in ballasting, raising rails, adjusting points and crossings, turn-tables, reversing triangles, weighbridges, etc. Now the work of "adjusting points and crossings, turn-tables, and weighbridges" has always been performed by the Locomotive Department by means of the skilled labour and mechanical appliances which form an essential part of the Locomotive Establishment, and it will obviously be a measure at once of convenience and economy to continue this practice.

4. For the Engineering Department, which is in future to bear the cost, has not a staff capable of doing the work, and would, if called upon to perform it, have to employ men for the purpose; while the Locomotive Department would not be able to reduce their establishment to any great extent (if at all) in consequence of being relieved of the work.

5. And so in the case of cleaning and oiling carriages and waggons now done by the traffic, and hereafter to be charged to the Carriage and Waggon Departments; and in the repairing of ballast waggons which can be conveniently carried out only by the Locomotive Department, but the cost of which is in future to be charged to Maintenance.

6. I have therefore the honour to request that, after reference to the Government of India, you will be so good as to inform me whether it will be admissible for the departments I have named to continue to do the actual work, charging the labour in their Pay Bills to the headings ordered by the new Regulations.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th May 1870.*

From the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 22nd April 1870, No. 198.

With reference to your letter No. 198 of the 8th instant, I have the honour to state my opinion that the practice of employing the skilled labour of the Locomotive Establishment, in such work as "adjusting points and crossings," is not to be discontinued by paragraph 12 General Instructions, although the cost of the work is to be charged to the Engineering Department. I interpret No. 8 of the General Instructions that the inter-departmental adjustments prohibited are cash adjustments; that the Locomotive Department is not to send a bill, and receive cash payment, for work done in adjusting points; but that the Locomotive Department can furnish a memorandum of the cost of work done, which will be carried as a direct charge to the Engineering Department, the skilled labour being still paid in its own, the Locomotive Department.

2. Thus also in other departments work should be carried out by that department which can most conveniently and economically do it, though the cost is to be brought in the accounts as a direct charge in the department ordered in the new accounts to bear such charge.

3. The subject, however, will, according to your request, be referred for the orders of the Government of India.

No. 112.

ORDER THEREON, 7th May 1870, No. 1,201.

RAILWAY, No. 16.

ORDERED that the Government of India be addressed on the subject of these papers:—

(Here enter No. 1,202, dated 7th May 1870.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 7th May 1870.

No. 113.

No. 1,202.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY, No. 17.

SIR,—I am directed to forward the accompanying letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways giving

cover to correspondence with the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway regarding the meaning intended to be conveyed by the words "inter-departmental adjustments" in paragraph 8 of the General Instructions appended to the forms of account circulated with the Resolution of the Government of India, dated 2nd February 1870, No. 43-A.-R.

2. The Railway authorities entertain doubts as to whether, under the prohibition against inter-departmental adjustments on Revenue Account, it is allowable for one department to carry out, as at present, for another such work as it may more conveniently and economically perform with the skilled labour at its disposal charging such labour to the department for which the work is done. The Acting Consulting Engineer is of opinion that the new rules do not affect this arrangement but are simply intended to prevent adjustments in cash.

3. I am accordingly to request an explanation of the ruling in question.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No. 198

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGERS' OFFICE.

Madras, 8th April 1890.

From

Robert B. Clavin Esq^{re},
Agent and Manager. M. R. Co.

To

Captain J. G. Lindsay, R.E.,
Dy. Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

In reference to the letter from your Office No. 95 of the 1st ultimo and to the Order of Government No. 572 dated the 19th of February last referred to therein, I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of Officers called to consider the new Forms of Half-yearly Accounts a doubt was expressed by some as to the meaning which is intended to be conveyed by the words "inter-departmental adjustments" in No. 8 of the General Instructions which are appended to the Forms.

2. It is not clearly understood, in the case of one Department doing work for another and classifying the expense of that work in the Departmental Pay Sheet in order that it may be charged in the manner prescribed by the Instructions, whether such a course would be considered a "Departmental adjustment" and not admissible.

3. For instance in the General Instructions (No. 12) it is stated that "under Major Permanent Pay will be included all

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"Changes for labour incurred in Ballasting, raising
"rails adjusting Points and Crossings, turning
"Tables, reversing Triangles, Reighbridges &c."
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"Turntables, and reighbridges" has always been
performed by the Locomotive Department by
means of the skilled labour and mechanical
appliances which form an essential part of the
Locomotive Establishment and it will obviously
be a measure of convenience and economy
to continue this practice.

4. For the Engineering Department, which
is in future to bear the cost, has not a staff capable
of doing the work, and would, if called upon to
perform it, have to employ men for the purpose;
while the Locomotive Department would not be
able to reduce their Establishment to any great
extent (if at all) in consequence of being relieved
of the work.

5. And so in the case of Cleaning and
Oiling Carriages and Waggon now done by the
Traffic, and hereafter to be changed to the Carriage
and Waggon Department; and in the repairing of
ballast Waggon which can be conveniently carried
out only by the Locomotive Department but the
cost of which is in future to be charged to maintenance.

6. I have therefore the honor to request
that after reference to the Government of India
you will be so good as to inform me whether it will
be admissible for the Departments I have named
to continue to do the actual work, charging the labour
in their Pay Bills to the headings ordered by the new
Regulations.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, your obedient servant,
Agent Ballast &c.

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Consulting Engineer's Office

Railway Department

N^o 176-

From,

Captain H. L. Prendergast R.E.
Ag: Cons: Eng^r for Railways

To,

Colonel C. A. Orr, R.E.,
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort Saint George

Sir,

On receipt of G.O. N^o 572,
dated the 19th February 1870, the new forms
of half-yearly accounts together with a
copy of the Resolution of the Government
of India were forwarded to the agents of
the several Railways in this Presidency.

I have now the honour to

submit

N^o 43 a - R dated
2nd February 1870.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

M 1672/70

Dated 8th April

Recd of the

1870

N^o 198

For the Agent and Manager.

Respecting information
as to the measuring which
is intended to be done
by the meter "with"
departmental adjustment
in No 8 of the General
Instructions which are
appended to the General
Terms of Staff and
Locals.

submit a letter received from the Agent of ^x N: 198 dated
the Madras Railway, stating that certain ^x 8th April
doubts are entertained by the Company's
Officers with reference to the meaning of the
words "inter-departmental adjustments" in
N: 8 of the General instructions appended to
the forms; and in accordance with Mr. Elwin's
request, I beg that the matter may be referred
for the orders of the Government of India.

3. I also forward copy of my
letter to the Agent and Manager, in which
I have explained the interpretation that I
put upon the points in question.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Madras }
26th April }
1870 }
Hendrickson }
Captain R.E.
Ag: Cons: Eng: for Railways.

From Mr. B. D. Dept.
The Acting Consulting Engineer
for Railways

To
The Secretary to Govt.
P. W. Dept.

Date 26th April/70
Recd 28th

No 1201 & 1202 - 7 May/70
No 176 -
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Submitting a
letter from the Agent &
Manager of the M. R.
Comp^y, stating the doubts
entertained by the Chief Officer
with ref^{ce} to the mean-
ing of the words "inter-
departmental adjustments".

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Railway Department

Consulting Engineer's Office

No 198

To,

R. B. Elwin Esq^r.

Agent and Manager

Madras Railway Company.

Sir,

With reference to your letter
No 198 of the 8th instant, I have the honour
to state my opinion, that the practice of employ-
ing the skilled labour of the Locomotive establish-
ment, in such work as "adjusting points and
crossings", is not to be discontinued; by para
13 General instructions: although the cost of the
work is to be charged to the Engineering De-
partment. I interpret No 8 of the General
instructions, that the inter-departmental ad-
justments prohibited, are cash adjustments:
that the Locomotive Department is not to

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send a bill, and receive cash payment, for work done in adjusting points: but that the Locomotive Department can furnish a memorandum, of the cost of work done, which will be carried as a direct charge to the Engineering Department, the skilled labour being still paid in its own, the Locomotive Department.

2. Thus also in other Departments, work should be carried out, by that Department, which can most conveniently and economically do it: though the cost is to be brought in the accounts, as a direct charge in the Department ordered in the new accounts to bear such charge.

3. The subject, however, will, according to your request, be referred for the orders of the Government of India.

I have &c.

Madras }
23rd April }
1870 } / signed / H. L. Prendergast Captain R.E.
Ag. Cons. Engr. for Railways

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(True Copy)

Ans. Sunday Captain R.E.

Ag. Cons. Engr. for Railways.

Secy. to Govt. of India

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Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Under date the 7th May 1901.

Read the following

From The Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways
(H. E. No. 176 of 26th April 1901)

Ordered that the Govt. of India be addressed on the subject of these papers.

To the C. Eng. for Rys.
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The Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Sir,

I am directed to forward the accompanying letter from the Acting Chief Engineer for Railways giving cover

To

Cover the correspondence
with the Agent and Manager
of the Madras Railway
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dated 2^d Feby 1870 No.
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The Railway Authori-
ties entertain doubts
as to whether under

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for one Department to
carry out, as at present,
for another such work
as it may more con-
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cally perform with the
skilled labor at its disposal
charging for such labor
to the Dept. for which
the work is done. The
Asst. Engineer is of
opinion that the new
rules do not affect

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this arrangement but
are simply intended to
prevent adjustments in
Cash.

I am accordingly
to request an explanation
of the ruling in question.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

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The Consulting Engineer for
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To The Secretary to the Govt.
of India

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