

Public Works (1897) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Obtainable Items . Orders on Statement
of - in the accounts of the Simmerly Quiln
Railway Survey for January 1897

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P. W. D. Form No. 62 A

Reference to P. W. D. Code.

Chapter XIV, section ii, paras. 61 to 63 and 65.

1 The object of this Return is to place before Government an analysis of all shortcomings in matters of financial regularity in the operations of each month, with a view to their being remedied. It should be submitted to the local Government on the 1st day of the third month succeeding that to which the accounts relate, and should be drawn up separately for each fund and branch.

2. The statement will be posted from the Divisional Statements of Objectionable Items (Form No. 39) and Schedules of the Divisions concerned. The statement need not be delayed in order to embody the remarks of the Superintending Engineers if these do not reach the office in time. It is desirable, however, that the Superintending Engineer's opinion should be recorded, as far as may be practicable, and in order to ensure this being done, the Divisional Statement of Objectionable items should be checked immediately on receipt and sent to the Superintending Engineer for his remarks before the audit of the other accounts is proceeded with.

3. All Executive Officers who have failed to submit their Divisional Statements of Objectable Items with their Monthly Accounts, as well as those whose statements are generally incomplete, should be specially brought to the notice of Government under "General Remarks" at the end of the statement.

4. Items of irregular expenditure, which are left unincorporated by Executive Engineers in their Divisional Statements of Objectionable Items, should be distinctly noted as such, either in a separate supplementary statement or in the original statement in red ink.

5. Columns under all the heads should be filled up in each case, so as to bring out clearly where estimate or appropriation exists, and where it does not.

6. In the case of large projects such important features as the following should be stated with precision :—

A. Lump sum estimate.	{	1. Submitted to Chief Engineer.
B. Abstract detail estimate by sub-heads, and so on.		2. Submitted to Supdg Engineer.
		3. Not yet submitted.

7. A large work which is proceeded with on merely a lump sum sanction is still objectionable till an abstract and detail estimate by sub-heads is submitted and sanctioned for it by competent authority.

8. Special mention should be made of works being carried out in portions by authorities, beyond whose powers of sanction it would be to sanction the expenditure as a whole.

9. An important point to notice is the duration of a serious irregularity.

10. Voluminous masses of detail, when their practical significance could be given in a few lines, should, as a rule, be avoided. If, for instance, the state of matters as to sanction in one month does not materially differ from that of a preceding month, it will answer all practical purposes to say so, instead of sending another full report.

11. Too much stress can never be laid on the fact that this statement is not to take the place of Special reports, then and there, of works on which serious irregular expenditure is being largely incurred, either without estimate or appropriation.

12. The entries in the statements should be made by Circles and Divisions so as to enable the form for Divisional registers of objectionable expenditure to be done away with.

13. Serious delays in the submission of completion reports should also be reported in this statement.

14. In the column "Orders of Local Government" in the office copy of the statement, against those items which have been remedied, the number and date of the order or sanction removing the objection should be entered.

15. An extract from this statement of all the more serious irregularities should be submitted to the Accountant General, Public Works Department, and all those items which have to be specially brought to his notice should have marked against them, in the column "Orders of Local Government," in the office copy, "Accountant General, Public Works Department," in red ink.

16. This statement, as also the extract referred to above, will be accompanied by an abstract of the objectionable items unremedied in Form No. 62B.

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MONTH— January 1897 In suple
Dec: 2. 3. 97

Statement of Objectionable items in the
accounts of Executive Engineers
remaining unremedied to end
of the month.

No.

Dated the 2nd February 1897.

Submitted to the Secretary to the Government
of Madras (Railway Branch)

in the Public Works Department.

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