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G.O., No. 1133. *By*

DATED 13th Sept 1898

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Construction of six oil tank wagons

Sanctioning the estimate amounting
to Rs 23,700 for the — for the Madras
Railway. —

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read the following paper:—

From—The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company.
To—The Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras.
Dated—30th August 1898, No. 10276/825.

I have the honour to forward, herewith, an estimate for the construction of six oil-tank wagons, and to request that the sanction of Government may be conveyed to me for the required outlay (Rs. 23,700), chargeable to Capital.

2. I enclose a copy of Messrs. Best & Co.'s letter, No. 12/142 of the 5th ultimo, applying for additional wagons, and the Traffic Manager to whom the letter was referred, confirmed their statement and added:

I am satisfied that, on the opening of the East Coast Railway, we shall be quite able to find work for at least six additional wagons, but I do not recommend that any of these should be 10-ton capacity. They should, in my opinion, all be of 15-ton capacity.

3. These wagons will not be constructed exclusively for Messrs. Best & Co.'s oil business. Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. require wagons also, and these six will be used by the two firms. A further addition to our stock of vehicles of this kind may be necessary, but it is not intended to take any action until it is seen whether the quantity of oil despatched by the two firms greatly exceeds that at present despatched by the one firm with its monopoly.

4. Information as to provision in the budget and date on which sanction will lapse is given on the estimate.

ENCLOSURE.

From—Messrs. BEST AND CO., Agents, The "Shell" Transport and Trading Company (Ld.).
To—The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, Rayapuram.
Dated—Madras, 5th July 1898, B.P. No. 12/142.

Tank Wagons.

We are meeting with considerable difficulty in supplying all demands for kerosine oil on the Madras Railway by means of the tank wagons now at our disposal.

2. Importation on the West Coast has stopped for the season, and the demand for Madras oil is taking the place of that available at Bombay.

3. A transshipping depôt has just been opened at Guntakal for the supply of metre gauge wagons working to Bellary-Hospet, and in the other direction to Nandyal and Cumbum.

4. The season of the year has arrived when the demand for kerosine oil generally is on the increase, and from our records of the working of the tank wagons last month, we find that every wagon as it came in was filled and sent out again without a moment's delay.

5. The above forcibly impress on our mind that the number of wagons now at our disposal is insufficient and we would ask you to apply for sanction to build two more 15-ton wagons and four of 10-tons. We have considerable experience of the trade now, and are in a position to estimate with a good deal of accuracy what the demand is likely to be, and we have no hesitation in saying that the ensuing six months of 1898 will show the largest turnover we have yet had. Unfortunately, the number of tank wagons available will be insufficient to cope with it, and it is much to be regretted we have not at least other four at our disposal now. We trust, however, you will lose no time in moving Government to sanction the construction of those we have now applied for.

6. It is impossible to get the mileage out of the wagons now that we used to in 1894 for example. They seem to require more repairs and spend a much greater proportion of their time in the shops. That being so, it would be a short-sighted policy on the part of the Railway Company not to provide additional vehicles when required, and equally so on our part not to bring the matter before them.

7. Moreover, when the East Coast Railway is opened, new territory will have to be opened up and additional wagons required, and it will cripple the trade we hope to secure if we have to refuse business for want of tank wagons to convey the oil.

Trusting the above will have your early and favourable consideration.

ORDER—No. 1133 Ry., dated 13th September 1898.

The estimate amounting to Rs. 23,700, chargeable to Capital, for the construction of six oil-tank wagons, is sanctioned.

2. This sanction has been registered as No. 21 Ry. of 1898-99.

(True Extract.)

FRANCIS J. E. SPRING,
Joint Secretary.

To the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.
" Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.

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B. P. N. 12
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Wm. S.

(Sd) Best & Co.,
Agents,

The "Shell" Transport & Trading
Co., Ltd.

(True copy)

Edmund
Agent & Manager.

The Consol. Engineer for Rys.
Madras.

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From

The Agent and Manager,

M. R. Co.,

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

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The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.
M. R. Co.,
The Agent and Manager,

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

To

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Madras Railway

Locomotive Department

Allocation of Estimate for the Construction of six oil tank wagons.

Description	Cash to be expended in India	Value of material	Total value of work done to the date	Chargable to Capital	Chargable to Revenue
Sum paid for Office Rolling Stock					
2 Carriage and Wagon Stock	4620	19080	23700	23700	
Total	4620	19080	23700	23700	

not to incur

Secretary to Government

Submitted for approval and sanction to the Government of

[Signature]

M. Agent and Manager

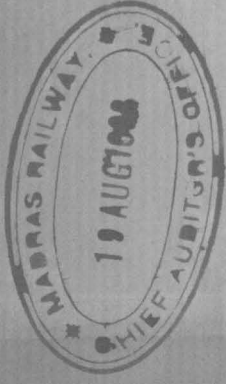
Consulting Engineer to Government

Chief Auditor's Office
20th August 1898

Res. D. M. S. S. S.

Madras Railway
Locomotive Department

Estimate for the Construction of Rolling Stock.



Locality	Description of work.	Rate.	Cost to be expended in India	Value of stores	Total value of work to be done	Chargeable to Capital	Chargeable to Revenue.	Remarks.
	Goods Stock.							
6	Tank Wagons for conveying oil 15 tons.	}	4,620	19,080	23,400	23,400		Estimate to lapse 31 st December 1899.

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Ch. R. V.
Locomotive Superintendent.
H.

Perambur Works
14th August 1898.

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AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 30th August 1898.

From

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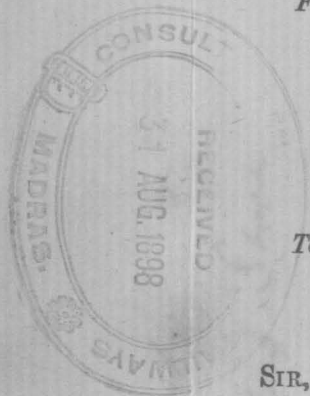
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4. Information as to provision in the Budget and date on which sanction will lapse is given on the estimate.

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Sir,

Your most obedt. Servt.

Edmund

Agent and Manager.

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OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, 31st August 1898.



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OFFICE NOTE.

Letter from the Agent, Manager Madras Railway, No 10276 825,

dated 30th August 1898, forwarded to the Examiner of Railway Accounts for favor of check as to allocation and

budget provision.

for E. R.

EXAMINER'S REPLY.

The Estimate is correct as to allocation, and requires the sanction of the local Government.

Funds to the extent proposed to be spent during the current year are available from the grant for maintenance works, Schedule B of Budget 1898-99.

It will be desired that the T. M. anticipates that the oil traffic on the E. C. R. will necessitate the construction of these tank wagons but Messrs. Bent & Co. applied to the E. C. R. M. R. & I, Manager E. C. R. to procure tank wagons & applications were made to India for sanction. It would be well to find out if the E. C. R. are building any before we sanction these

R. M. Sanction 2.9.98

5.9.98.

Very well. in then 7/15

2.9.98
Replies have been received from both E. C. R. & B. M. R. that no tank wagons have been provided so I would recommend this estimate being sanctioned 5.9.98.

C. R.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

The Agent and Manager,

M. R. Co.,

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

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TELEGRAM URGENT
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FROM

TO

E. R.

E. H. C. B. M. R.

Madras

No 62. Manager E. C. R.

Are you providing any
oil tank wagons for
the traffic of petroleum
in bulk on your line

Jd
6.9.98.

Despatched on 6/9/98

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EAST COAST RAILWAY.

Form No. Mgr. 25

OFFICE OF MANAGER.

IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO

No. 7048

To

Waltair, dated the 8th Sept 1898.

The Consulting Engineer 4298
for Railways, Madras. 14.9.98
Ootacamund.

The following copy of Telegram is forwarded for information.

[Signature]
Offg. Manager,
East Coast Railway.

Telegram, dated 8th Sept: 98

FROM

MANAGER,

East Coast Railway.

To

Consulting Engineer
for Ry: Madras
Ootacamund.

In 97. No petroleum oil tank wagons
have been provided on East Coast
Railway.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

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E.R. Current No. 4056 of 189 , dated 31.8.98 , from the Agent, Madras Ry.

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The Agent, Madras Ry. Co.
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Despatched on 26/9/98