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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 26th September 1862.

No. 494. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, dated 22nd September 1862, No. 2,269 :—

Acceding to the proposal to close the accounts of the Collegal Range on the 27th of each month, and authorizing the adoption of this course in all Executive Ranges; and requesting Revenue Department to issue orders to Collectors of those Districts where the above orders may be acted on to direct the Tahsíldárs concerned not to pay any Cheques after the 27th of the month.

(Vide Public Works Proceedings, 22nd September 1862, No. 392, 393.)

No. 495. ORDER THEREON, 26th September 1862, No. 2,095.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue who will issue the necessary instructions as required in paragraph 2 of the foregoing Order of Government.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Chief Engineer, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 2nd September 1862, No. 2,906:—

1 Endorsement of Deputy Chief Engineer, Southern Circle, No. 121 dated 18th August 1862.
1 From District Engineer, Coimbatore dated 12th August 1862, No. 170.
1 From District Engineer, Madras dated 11th August 1862, No. 711.
1 From District Engineer, Godavery dated 19th August 1862, No. 456.
1 Circular letter from the Inspector General of Public Works Accounts with Accountant General's Endorsement dated 13th August 1862.

Letters to Government 9th and 21st July 1862, Nos. 1,961 and 2,176 in Proceedings Madras Government 1st August 1862, No. 1,881.

Circular No. 14A of 1862 dated 4th June 1862, forwarded through the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras, on the 13th August 1862, herewith forwarded.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward three letters from the District Engineers of Coimbatore, Madras, and Godavery, relative to the delay in the transmission of their monthly Accounts Current, owing to the defective postal arrangements, and to the distance of certain Ranges from the head quarters of the District.

2. It has been already intimated by me that the Account and Auditor General of India, has called for a monthly statement of Receipts and Disbursements, which is required to be despatched on the *25th* of each succeeding month. Since this a Circular letter from the Inspector General of Public Works Accounts has been received, in which it is pointed out "that no delay beyond that date should "on any account be permitted."

3. The Deputy Chief Engineer, Southern Circle, in transferring the letter from the District Engineer of Coimbatore, recommends that the Account Current of the Collegal Range may, as an exceptional case, be permitted to be closed on the *27th* of each month, in order that it may reach the District Engineer's Office in sufficient time for the preparation of the monthly accounts for the Central Office. To avoid any irregularity occurring by the closing of the accounts of a month before its expiration, as anticipated by Government in paragraph 2 of Proceedings Madras Government 25th May 1861, No. 986, the Deputy Chief Engineer proposes that no payments should be made by the Range Officer between the 27th of each month and the 1st of that ensuing. In this proposition I concur, but it will also be necessary that Tahsíldárs should be prohibited from paying any cheques after the 27th of the month, as otherwise differences will occur between the Collector's payments and the District Engineer's credits.

No. 121 dated 18th August 1862.

4. I would further suggest that the above course be followed in all Executive Ranges in which, on account of distance from head quarters or imperfect postal arrangements, the transmission of the monthly accounts may be delayed.

ORDER THEREON, 22nd September 1862, No. 2,269.

1. Under the circumstances represented the Government accede to the proposal to close the accounts of the Collegal Range on the 27th of each month, and authorize this course to be adopted, as suggested by the Chief Engineer, in all Executive Ranges in which the transmission of the monthly accounts may be delayed on account of their distance from head quarters.

2. Orders will be issued in the Revenue Department, in view to the Collectors of those Districts where the above orders may be acted on (of which intimation will be made by the District Engineers) being instructed to direct the Tahsíldárs concerned not to pay any cheques after the 27th of the month.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer.
" Revenue Department.
" Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle.
" Do. do. Central Circle.
" Do. do. Southern Circle.
" Officer in charge of the Audit and Account Departments.
" Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt in the Public Works Dept.

Dated 22nd Sept. 1862.
Recd 25th Sept.
Pro. of the Madras Govt in the P.W. Dept. dated 19th Sept. 1862 Nº 2269.
Nº 3203.

According to the proposal to close the Accts of the Collegal Ranges on the 25th of each month, and authorizing the adoption of this course in all Executive Ranges; & requesting Rev. Dept. to issue orders to Collrs of the above Districts where the above orders may be acted on to direct the Tahsildars concerned not to pay any cheques after the 2nd or 3rd of the month.—

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Communicated to the Board of Revenue who will issue the necessary instructions as required in para 2 of the foregoing order of Government.

Fort St. Geo:
26th Sept: 1862.

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