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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2204 Press ~~Mis.~~

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 4th December 1863.

No. 81. Read the following Office Memorandum from the Secretary to the Government of India, dated Fort William, Financial Department, the 3rd October 1863, No. 4,900 :—

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Governor General, in the Public Works Department, No. 1,374, dated 13th July last, deciding that the charges on account of Establishment for Cochrane's Canal should be included in the Public Works Budget, and its collections credited in gross, the undersigned has the honor to enquire of the Secretary to the Government of India, with the Governor General, whether the sum estimated for expenditure on this account in the current year, Rupees 2,094, can be provided from the Reserve at the disposal of that Department, or whether a supplementary grant will be necessary.

2. Paragraph 2 of No. 508, dated 27th April 1863, of the Public Works Department, with the Governor General, states that the Public Works Department has charge of Travellers' Bungalows in the Madras Presidency; this is not understood in this Department to be the case, but it has nevertheless been decided that the charge shall this year be defrayed out of the grant for Public Works, and the receipts and charges of such Bungalows will, from 1st May 1864, be treated as Local Funds. The undersigned has therefore the honor to request that the Secretary to the Government of India, in the Public Works Department with the Governor General, will be good enough to inform him whether the estimated charge in the current year on account of Travellers' Bungalows in Madras, Rupees 40,679, can be met out of the Reserve at the disposal of that Department, or whether a supplementary grant will be necessary.

3. In respect to the remarks regarding Loss by Exchange on Railway Transactions, contained in No. 1,374, dated 13th July last, noticed above, the undersigned has the honor to state for the information of His Excellency that the amount of Loss by Exchange was *excluded* from the Memorandum furnished by the Madras Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, which accompanied it, because under orders in this Department, it has hitherto been debited to the Government of India and exhibited under the head Adjusted Charges on account of other Governments in the Madras Cash Requirement Estimate as a disbursement, but not as a charge of that Presidency.

4. The total amounts of advances to Railways are exhibited in the Financial Accounts and Estimates under two heads, viz., E. Works of Internal Improvement and Public Convenience, and K. Remittances to other Governments, subordinate head "Account Current with London." Under the former head, *i. e.*, in the Budget Estimate, is exhibited Loss by Exchange on Railway Construction Account, less gain on net traffic earnings; and under the latter, that is under Debt in the Cash Requirement Estimate, head "Account Current with London," are exhibited as advances on Construction or Capital Account made to Railway Companies in this country, less the aforesaid Loss by Exchange.

5. The net amount of traffic earnings, *i. e.*, gross earnings, less working expenses and gain by Exchange, is credited in the Financial Estimates and Accounts to "Account Current with London."

6. An early reply is requested.

(Signed) E. H. LUSHINGTON,
Secretary to the Government of India.

Copy to the—
Auditor General, India,
Government of Madras,
Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras,
} for information.

(Signed) T. PEACHEY,
Principal Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 82. ORDER THEREON, 4th December 1863, No. 2,204.

Ordered that a copy of this Memorandum be furnished to the Public Works and Financial Railway Departments.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
„ Financial (Railway) Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

16th June 1863. Nos 224-225

Rev. 1863 Despatch
Pros. of Govt of Ft. St. George
December
No. 2620.

Memo:

From the Secty.
to the Govt of India
in the Finl. Dept.

Dated 3d Oct.
Received 29th " 1863.

No. 1900.

Transmitting copy of an
Office Memorandum addressed
to the Secretary to the Government
of India on the Bill Dept with
the Paor Rowra Sanguen engage-
ments particulars regarding
the mode of charging the expend
-iture for Canals, Travellers
Bungalows &c in the Madras
Presidency.

No 2204 dated
With an Order -

No. 2204 -

Ordered that a copy of this
Memorandum be furnished to the Public
Works and Financial Railway Departments.

Fort St. George
4th December 1863.

21 Copies to the Public Works Dept. Accts. 5 Copies
5 — Finl. Railway Dept.

C. No 81/482.