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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

## Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department; 5th December* 1863.

No. 91. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated 5th November 1863, No. 5,431 :—

Read the following correspondence regarding the financial treatment, and the control, of the charges for Staging Bungalows.

Financial Proceedings, Nos. 164 to 170, November 1862.

Extract from Proceedings in the Home Department, Nos. 1,496 and 1,976, dated 11th and 24th March 1863.

Extract from Proceedings in the Public Works Department, with His Excellency the Governor General, No. 508, dated 27th April 1863.

Memorandum to the Home Department No. 4,547, dated 17th September 1863.

Reply from ditto. No. 6,509, dated 14th October 1863.

RESOLUTION.—The Honorable the President in Council observes that Staging Bungalows are under the control of the Public Works Department in the Bombay Presidency, of District Officers in the Madras Presidency, of Postal Authorities in the Bengal Presidency, and of the Governor General's Agent in Central India.

2. The receipts and charges of Bungalows in the Bengal Presidency are shown under "Debt;" but for the Bungalows in the other Pesidencies, the receipts are shown as income, and the expenditure as charges, of the Civil and Public Works Departments, respectively.

3. The financial treatment of the receipts and charges should be the same in every part of India, whatever differences there may be in the administrative arrangements in regard to Travellers' Bungalows. Madras and Bombay may prefer to manage them through their District Officers or Public Works Department, while the Lieutenant-Governments composing the Bengal Presidency may severally find either the one or the other Agency more convenient, but the Accounts should all be settled under the same head.

4. Although the Travellers' Bungalows extend over long ranges, they are, as stated in the Public Works Resolution, essentially *local*. They can only be successfully managed and made self-supporting by an attention to details which is beyond the scope of the Central Government; and it is only within the knowledge of the Local Governments, in what cases Travellers' Bungalows ought to be given up, either in consequence of the roads upon which they are situated having been disused, or of the traffic having so much increased as to be able to support an Hotel, as well as the rarer instances in which new Travellers' Bungalows may have to be established.

5. The Post Office, which is administered by the Government of India, will at the same time be entirely disconnected from the extraneous business of managing Staging Bungalows.

6. His Honor in Council is accordingly pleased to direct that the several Local Governments and Administrations may be informed that the Travellers' Bungalows within their respective jurisdictions are to be dealt with from, the 1st May 1864, as a separate head under Local Funds, and that all receipts and outgoings will thenceforward be accounted for under that head, on the same principle, and according to the same regulations, as for other Local Funds; and that all existing Staging Bungalows, and the out-offices attached to them, will, from that date, be transferred to the several Local Governments and Administrations to be dealt with as they may consider proper.

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ORDERED, that a copy of this Resolution be communicated to the Home and Public Works Departments, and to the Public Works Department with His Excellency the Governor General; also to the several Local Governments, the Auditor General of India, the Accountant General, Government of India, and the several Deputy Auditors and Accountants General, and Civil Pay Masters.

## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 5th December* 1863.

Ordered, also, that a copy of the Resolution be sent to the Foreign Department, for communication to the several Local Administrations under that Department.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. E. COOKE,
*Asst. Secy. to the Government of India.*

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Transferred to the Revenue Department.

*Fort Saint George,*
*28th November* 1863.

(Signed) W. H. KERR,
*Deputy. Secretary to Government.*

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No. 92. ORDER THEREON, 5th December 1863, No. 2,209.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue and to the several Superintending Engineers through the Public Works Department for their information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Department Public Works.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*No.* 5431.

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(A true Extract)

J S Cooke
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

[Exd. S. C. Roy.]

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