

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th November 1865.*

No. 152. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Public Works Department:—

Communicating to the Superintending Engi-
neers letter from the Government of India
observing, with reference to a communication
from this Government, that the orders of the
Home Government therein referred to are
understood as intending to relieve the Railway
Companies from constructing roads to Rail-
way Stations, and not to relieve Local Funds
by classing all such roads as Imperial.

(Here enter 8th November 1856, No. 3,345.)

No. 153. ORDER THEREON, 13th November 1865, No. 2,745.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 3,345.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department;
14th September 1865.

No. 325. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R. A., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Civil Works—Communications), to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, in the Public Works Department, dated Simla, 7th August 1865, No. 794C:—

SIR,

1. With reference to entries Nos. 132-3 and 192-3, in the Civil Works portion of the Proceedings of the Government of Fort Saint George, for the month of May last, transferring the repairs of certain roads from Local to Imperial Funds, I am directed to invite attention to paragraph 18 of Public Works Department, Circular No. 2, dated the 6th January 1865, and to state that the proposed transfer would be a move in a direction contrary to that which the Government of India is most desirous of encouraging all over India. The Governor General in Council trusts that the Madras Government will use its best endeavours to carry out the policy inculcated in the above quoted Circular.

2. It is observed that the manner in which the repairs of these roads are to be provided for, is by a fixed allowance per mile for maintenance, and that the sums are given apparently without detailed estimates being asked for. Should this supposition be correct, I am directed to request that His Excellency the Governor in Council may be moved to re-consider the system under which such grants are made in the Madras Presidency, as it is liable to abuse, Executive Engineers being apt to look upon a fixed allowance for repairs as a sum placed at their disposal to maintain and improve the road; and so works of all kinds are undertaken without the regular check from the controlling authorities.

3. In the Provinces more directly under the control of the Government of India, a precise specification and detailed measurements of the work to be done, with a regular estimate of the cost, are insisted on in all cases where the charge per mile exceeds 50 Rupees annually, and the result seems to show that some reduction of the outlay of this class might be expected in the Madras Presidency if a similar procedure were adopted.

4. The repairs under the head Communications in the Public Works Budgets of 1865-66 are in Madras £120,062; Bengal, £73,000; the North-Western Provinces, £70,513; the Punjab, £65,188. In Bombay also the charges in the Budget under this head are only £37,676 from Imperial Funds, £58,000 having been provided by the Bombay Government from Local Funds.

No. 326. ORDER THEREON, 14th September 1865, No. 2,705.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 36.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineers, who will be requested, with reference to paragraph 3, to submit with future applications for annual grants for the maintenance of imperial roads a precise specification of the work to be done, together with a detailed estimate of the cost in all cases where the allowance recommended may exceed Rupees 50 per mile. Traffic returns, &c., required under paragraphs 68 and 69, Chapter V. of the Code, should also be furnished.

Ordered that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 2,706, dated 14th September 1865.)

(True Extract.)

Major, R. E.,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th November 1865.*

No. 132. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Civil Works—Communications), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 17th October 1865, No. 1,063 C:—

In reply to your letter No. 2,706, dated 14th September 1865, I am directed to observe that the orders of the Secretary of State referred to therein are understood by the Government of India as intending to relieve the Railway Companies from the expense of constructing roads leading to Railway Stations, and not to relieve Local Funds by classing all such roads as Imperial.

No. 133. ORDER THEREON, 8th November 1865, No. 3,345.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 24.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineers, in continuation of G. O. No. 2,705, dated 14th September 1865.

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers.

„ Revenue Department, with Proceedings No. 2,705 of 1865.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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M. K. Anand

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