

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th May 1865.*

No. 124. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel C. V. WILKIE-SON, R. E., for Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 13th June 1864, No. 924 :—

SIR,

Vide Proceedings of Government, No. 787, dated 15th March 1864.
Letter No. 125, dated 3rd June 1864.

1. Agreeably to No. XIX. of the New Rules sanctioned for the administration of the District Road Fund, the Range Officers in this Division have been instructed to furnish monthly bills for all work executed from that source with a view to their being audited and forwarded to the Collector for transmission to the Board of Revenue; it has, however, been pointed out by Captain Chrystie, Executive Engineer, North Arcot, that the adoption of such a plan is objectionable, inasmuch as it will considerably increase the work of the Range Office, and retard the submission of the monthly accounts.

2. Captain Chrystie's report on the subject I have the honor to enclose, and I certainly concur with him in opinion that no advantage will be gained by the submission of monthly bills.

3. The practice now prevailing, with reference to works executed from Imperial Funds, is as follows.

4. For work, new and repair, amounting to Rupees 2,000 and upwards, bills are submitted quarterly; and if not completed within the official year, annual bills are also furnished.

5. For works, new and repairs, amounting to less than Rupees 2,000, bills are furnished on the completion of the work, but in the case of those not finished within the official year, annual bills are also submitted.

6. For repair works, costing Rupees 50 and under, one bill is furnished half-yearly for the whole of the works executed in one District.

7. This system is found to work well, and I would strongly recommend that as hitherto it should also be held to apply to works executed from Local Funds.

From Captain W. CHRYSTIE, R. E., Executive Engineer of North Arcot, to Colonel A. J. M. BOILEAU, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Camp, Chittoor, 3rd June 1864, No. 125.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Memorandum No. 595, which directs the submission of monthly bills for Local Fund work, and think it my duty to point out to you how much this order will increase account work and delay the submission of monthly papers.

2. The Talook Overseers close their accounts on the 28th, and even then, have difficulty in submitting their papers in time to reach my Office by the evening of the 31st. If in addition to the present returns several current bills have to be made out to accompany the Progress Report, their monthly accounts cannot reach my Office until the 2nd.

3. When the Overseers' accounts are duly received on the 31st, I and my Office people have to sit up until 11 P. M. on the first to get the papers signed on that day, and if there are a dozen or fifteen Local Fund bills to be checked as well, the monthly papers will not, in future, leave my Office until the fifth instead of the second.

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* Referred on the 29th April 1864.

Referred to the Revenue Department, with reference to the letter* from the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, No. 2,255, dated 20th April 1864, now under consideration in that Department.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

Local Funds

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Works Department.
 „ the Board of Revenue.

Sup^r & Engr^s Office 4th Dec^r
Madras 13th June 1864

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours Most Obedient Servant

Exd. T. O'Connor.

To
 Colonel C. A. Orr R. R.
 Secretary to Government P. H. S.

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