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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th April 1872.*

No. 127. Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Vizagapatam, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 6th April 1872, No. 272 :—

I HAVE the honour to enclose copies of telegrams and correspondence noted in the margin, regarding the Famine Relief Works in this district, from which it will be seen that considerable delay will probably occur in obtaining sanction of the Accountant-General through the Controller for credit orders, without which the range officers apparently cannot act; and as the stoppage of those works at this time will prove very serious to the labouring classes, I have to solicit that an order of Government be passed to the effect that the range officers should receive and expend such sums as may be allotted for relief works in their respective ranges without reference to the Public Works Department, as these accounts will, I presume, be furnished to me direct, and not through the Superintending Engineer of the district to the Public Works Controller.

2. Even if it should be considered expedient not to keep the accounts of sums expended on relief works distinct from those of sums expended out of the ordinary allotments, I have the honour to request that the range officers may be directed to receive and expend such sums as may be available from special grants without waiting for the receipt of credit order from the Controller, Public Works Accounts.

No. 128. ORDER THEREON, 13th April 1872, No. 600.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government sanction whatever arrangements may be necessary for ensuring the prosecution, without

let or hindrance, of the emergent relief works instituted under the supervision of officers especially named for the work.

2. The Controller of Public Works Accounts and the Accountant-General can, in communication, determine what, if any, adjustments are necessary, but no departmental rules can be allowed to check the progress of these emergent arrangements.

3. Mr. Brock should not have issued instructions calculated to neutralise the action of the officer specially deputed by Government on this important duty without first referring the matter for orders and obtaining sanction.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Vizagapatam.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant-General.
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Collector of Ganjam.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

No. 272

Vizagapatam 6th April 1872

From

R. J. Melville Esq^r,

Collector

To

The Honorable W. Huddleston

Esq. Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose copies of Telegrams and correspondence noted in the margin regarding the Famine Relief works in this District from which it will be seen that considerable delay will probably occur in obtaining sanction of the Accountant General through the Controller for Credit orders, without which the Range Officers ^{apparently} cannot act, and as the stoppage of those works at this time will prove very serious to the laboring classes, I have to solicit that an order of Government be passed to the effect that the Range Officers should receive and expend such sums as may

Service Telegram from Collector to Accountant General dated 26th March 1872.
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Letter from Collector to Range Officer, to the effect that the Range Officer should receive and expend such sums as may be required for the relief of the poor in the District of the Collector's Office dated 27th March 1872.
Range Officer's reply dated 28th March 1872.

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Special Grants without waiting for
the receipt of credit order from the
Controller Public Works Accounts.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most Obedt Servt
H. H. H.
Attest
A. J. Collett

P. W. Controller objects to funds for relief works being received by Range Officers except by credit orders issued by you. Your authority is therefore requested for payment of Rs 19500 to Executive Engineer Vijaya-patam, Rs 17000 to the Vijayanagram Range Officer, and Rs 17000 to Golconda Range Officer to make the necessary adjustments, more by post.

Tuesday
March 26th 1872.

104 R. S. Melville
Ag. Collector

/ True Copy /

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From The Collector
of Vizagapatnam District.
To The Accountant General
Madras.

Dated 26th March 1872.

Sir, Referring to my telegram of
today and to the enclosed copy
of Extract of a letter from P. W.
Controller, to the Vizianagaram
Range Officers, I have the honor
to request you will be so good
as to issue the necessary instructions
for credit orders being issued in
favor of the respective officers,
and to the amounts entered
opposite their names.

/s/ R. J. Melville
as. Collector

/True Copy/

H. Richardson

Dy. Collector

No 130

Service Telegram //



To Vizagapatam. From Madras.

From officiating Accountant General
To Collector.

Your telegram of (26th). If funds are wanted for works to be executed by Range Officers, they should ask the Controller for funds. Controller will do nothing without their application.

/True Copy/

Dated 4th April
1872

H Richardson
Dy Collector.

G. Ramakrishnaiah
H. R.

Service Telegram
From

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The Collector of
Vijayapattinam

To
The Accountant General
Madras.

Funds provided, Credit orders to Range
officers only required to receive & expend.

Friday.
April 5-1872 } (Signed) R. J. Melville
Collector

From The Accountant General

To Collector.

Repeats that Credit orders can only
issue on Controller's demand who
awaits Range Officer's application.

(True Copies)

H. Richardson

Collector

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No. 130

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From The Officer in charge N: 1 or.
Golconda Range.

To The Deputy Collector in
Charge of Hoosur Treasury.
Vijayapattam District.

Dated 28th March. } 1872.
Received. }

N: 731

Enclosures 3. Subject.

Sir,

In forwarding copy of a letter

from the Comptroller
of P. Works Accounts, I beg you will be

good enough to withdraw the amounts
2 Cheques Nos 198 & 236 Rs 2,000 and 15,000, placed by Mr. Thornhill
are returned at my disposal for "Famine Relief works".

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obed: servant.

(Signed) W. Lastey
Range Officer.

(True copy)

H. Richardson

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P. Sect

Revenue Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

13th April 1872.

Read the following letter

from
the Collector of Vizagapatam

Requesting that an order may
be passed for Range Officers being
permitted to receive and expend sums
connected with relief works without
previous orders

(H. E. 6th April 1872 M72)

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Enclosure No 1
In a letter from the
Collector Vizagapatam
dated 6th April 1872
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Office of secretaries
expenses relating
to the recovery and
expending monies
incurred to assist the
works by Range officers

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are necessary, but no
departmental rules can
be allowed to check the
progress of these emergent
arrangements

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not have issued instructions
calculated to neutralise
the action of the officer specially
deputed by Govt on this
important duty without
first referring the matter
for orders and obtaining
sanctions - ~~His ill-~~
~~advised instructions have~~
~~probably done much~~
~~harm~~

shows how emergent work
facilitates fraud.

I think the last part
of this para too strong
It would have been better if
Mr Brock had originated
some method for ^{dispensing with} ~~disregarding~~
departmental rules without endangering
accuracy of account & check, on these
emergencies. - ~~Mr Brock~~ ^{Mr E}

I must omit the
last para. which
is untrue & proves to
be a whole based on
the experience of
Colombian case.
A.P.

3. Colls of Vizagapatnam. Recd 13 April 72
11. Board of Rev — " — 15 April 72
6 Accts. Genl. —
21. Cal. W. Dep. —
5. Colls of Raigarh — 13 April