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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th January 1875.*

No. 54. Read the following Circular from the Government of India, (Civil Works—Irrigation,) to Local Governments and Administrations in the Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch, dated Fort William, 7th October 1874, No. 57 :—

THE Governor-General in Council has had under notice that, in some instances, projects of Irrigation works have been submitted for orders without reports from the Revenue Officers on the desirability of undertaking the works and on the estimated returns. The absence of such an expression of the views of the local administrative authorities on Irrigation schemes has made it difficult for the Government of India to deal satisfactorily with the proposals, and has recently been noticed by the Secretary of State.

2. His Excellency in Council, therefore, desires that henceforth all Irrigation projects be submitted after consultation with the Local Revenue Officers, who, moreover, in addition to their views as to the financial results, should invariably state their opinion, generally, as to the desirability or necessity, on all grounds, of the projected schemes.

3. Their reports should further be reviewed by the higher authorities of the presidency or province, so that the projects may come before the Government of India in a thoroughly complete manner, not only in an engineering point of view, but also as regards their financial prospects, and their effect upon the agriculture and people. In both these points of view, the opinions of the Officers connected with the Civil Administration are most important.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R.A.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 55. ORDER THEREON, 7th January 1875, No. 28.

IRRIGATION, No. 10.

COMMUNICATED to the Revenue Department with a view to the necessary orders being issued, and to the Chief

Engineer for Irrigation and to all Superintending and District Engineers.

2. Superintending and District Engineers should take care that timely application is made to Collectors for the reports required to accompany the estimates, as also that all requisite information as to the scope of the projects or parts of projects about to be submitted to Government is furnished to the Revenue Officers.

(True Extract.)

C. Walker Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

To Superintending Engineers.

.. District Engineers.

To the Executive Engineer, Wynaad.

.. Revenue Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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THE CHIEF ENGINEER for IRRIGATION.

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Irrigation.—Circular from the Government of India desiring that the views of administrative authorities to be submitted on Irrigation projects both as to their general desirability and probable financial results, communicated to the Revenue Department with a view to the necessary orders being issued, and to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation and to all Superintending and District Engineers with certain instructions.

No 53. 11 January 1875—

With Order

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Communicated
to the Board of Revenue
for information, and
for issue of the necessary
orders—

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