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No. 23. Read the following letter from Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account-General,) to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 27th March 1876, No. 307 A.G.:—

I AM directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter, No. 3,534, dated 14th December 1875, and in reply to forward herewith, for information and guidance, the orders passed on Madras Public Works Budget Estimate for 1876-77.

MADRAS PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET ORDERS, 1876-77.

The following is an abstract of the Budget Estimate as compared with the grant assigned:—

	Grant.	Budget.
	RS.	RS.
Military	8,00,000	7,97,630
Other Services	1,75,300	1,77,670
	9,75,300	9,75,300

2. The orders* of the Government

* Paragraph 6 of Public Works Department Resolution, Nos. 737-53 A-G, dated 16th November 1875.

make it accord with the orders of the

3. The increase in the grant for the amount allowed for the purpose of Rupees 7,670. This difference must be deducted and added to that for Military Works.

4. Since the original programme was arranged financial reasons have rendered necessary a reduction of 20 lakhs in the total grant for Public Works, and the portion of the reduction which it has been decided should be made good from the Madras allotment is Rupees 2 lakhs. On the other hand an addition of Rupees 75,200 has to be made to that allotment for Salt Works, the funds for which have now to be provided for from Imperial Revenues. These reductions and additions and their effect on the total of the Budget Estimate are as follow:—

It was that the grant for Military Works was to be considered a distinct allotment not available for Other Services. It therefore became necessary to modify the Budget Estimate submitted so as to conform with the orders of the Government of India.

The difference occurs under Tools and Plant, Rs. 5,300, while the provision made is Rs. 7,670, the difference being Rs. 2,370, which is to be taken from the allotment for Other Services.

The total grant for Public Works, and the portion of the reduction which it has been decided should be made good from the Madras allotment is Rupees 2 lakhs. On the other hand an addition of Rupees 75,200 has to be made to that allotment for Salt Works, the funds for which have now to be provided for from Imperial Revenues. These reductions and additions and their effect on the total of the Budget Estimate are as follow:—

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MILITARY.			RS.	RS.
Budget Estimate as submitted	...	...	7,97,630	
Add transfer from Other Services for Tools and Plant	...	...	2,370	
Deduct amount to be met by a decrease in the stock balances	...	...		8,00,000
Net amount of grant for Military Works	...	...		50,000
OTHER SERVICES.				7,50,000
Budget Estimate as submitted	...	...	1,77,670	
Deduct transfer to Military Works for Tools and Plant	...	...	2,370	
Deduct provision for following works disallowed:—	Works.	Establishment.	Tools and Plant.	
Post and Telegraph Office at Madras	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Additions to Post Office and new Telegraph Office at Ootacamund	1,00,000	25,000	...	
Provision for Minor Works, Postal Telegraph, reduced by ...	13,000	3,250	...	
	4,000	1,000		
	17,000	29,250	3,750	1,50,000
Add provision for Salt Works. The Government of Madras have applied for a grant of Rs. 87,700, but the Government of India find it impossible to assign a large sum than ...				25,300
Net amount of				75,200
	Other Services	...		1,00,500

The Government of India may provision for the Post and Telegraph.

5. The reduction of Rupees 50,000 on the supposition that the Government of Madras will be able to utilize, on the materials purchased in previous years, and ... If, however, the Government of Madras is not in a position to do so, the Government of India are compelled to ask that the cash expenditure of Rs. 50,000. And the new works suspended are—

	RS.
Third storey for quarters of Garrison Gymnasium, Bangalore	7,000
Block of Stables for Cavalry	10,000
	20,000
Minor Works	37,000
	3,000
Establishment at 25 per cent.	40,000
	10,000
	50,000

being obliged again to postpone the Madras.

For Military for decrease in stock is made Madras will be able to utilize, on the materials purchased in previous years, and ... If, however, the Government of Madras is not in a position to do so, the Government of India are compelled to ask that the cash expenditure of Rs. 50,000. And the new works suspended are—

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6. The total grant allowed in these orders is—

	RS.
Military	7,50,000
Other Services	1,00,500
	8,50,500

And this amount is distributed as follows as compared with the grant of 1875-76, and the outlay of the two previous years:—

	Estimate, 1876-77.	Grant, 1875-76.	Outlay, 1874-75.	Outlay, 1873-74.
MILITARY.				
Original Works	3,79,000	3,81,000	3,28,534	2,69,460
Repairs	2,00,000	2,50,000	2,32,218	2,59,700
Establishment	7,000	1,51,000	1,46,350	1,19,080
Tools and Plant	...	15,000	28,078	15,100
Stock	...	...	26,000	74,260
	...	8,00,000	7,61,180	7,37,600
OTHER SERVICES.				
Civil Buildings (Works)	...	18,000	28,630	21,050
Repairs	...	5,000	4,710	4,000
Establishment	...	6,000	16,160	5,910
Tools and Plant	...	4,000	2,770	710
Stock	...	...	5,690	870
	...	33,000	57,960	32,540
Salt Works	...	...	...	...
	...	33,000	57,960	32,540
GRAND TOTAL.				
Works	4,02,000	3,57,164	2,90,510	
Repairs	2,55,000	2,36,928	2,63,700	
Establishment	1,57,000	1,62,510	1,24,990	
Tools and Plant	19,000	30,848	15,810	
Stock	...	31,690	75,130	
	8,33,000	8,19,140	7,70,140	
Salt Works (a)	...	...	...	
	8,33,000	8,19,140	7,70,140	

(a) Works	...	Rs. 50,200
Repairs	...	1,000
Establishment at 25 per cent.	...	15,000
		75,200

Of this total for 1876-77 Rupees 9,000 may be considered as the grant for expenditure in England, and the balance Rupees 8,41,500 as the grant for expenditure in India.

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7. The provision for Original Works Military is as follows:—

	No. of Works.	Amount of Estimate.	Computed Outlay to end of 1875-76.	Required, 1876-77.
		RS.	RS.	RS.
A.—Provision for works in progress, the grants for which will complete them in 1876-77 within sanctioned estimates ...	3	2,52,380	1,74,330	78,000
B.—Provision for works in progress, the grants for which for 1876-77 will not admit of their completion within that year...	3	4,17,078	1,58,057	1,17,000
C.—Provision for a work which is expected to be in progress in 1875-76, but for which there is no sanctioned estimate ...	1	1,02,000	20,000	40,000
	7	7,71,458	3,52,387	2,35,000
D.—Provision for new works, the grants for which for 1876-77 will admit of their completion within that year ...	2	12,200	...	12,000
E.—Provision for new works, the grants for 1876-77 will not admit of completion that year ...	1	7,700	...	4,000
G.—Provision for new works for which no estimates...	3	...	...	37,000
				2,95,000
Minor Works ...				84,000
				3,79,000

8. Under group A the w

No. 4 Block of Barracks, Wellington
Lightning conductors to Wellington
Additions to Barracks for European

	Amount of Estimate.	Computed Outlay to end of 1875-76.	Required, 1876-77.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
...	1,41,430	76,430	65,000
...	15,350	7,000	8,300
...	95,600	90,900	4,700
	2,52,380	1,74,330	78,000

9. Under group B the

Conversion of the Public Works W
into Military Hospital ...
Drainage of Agram Barracks, Bangalore.
Water-supply Project, Bellary

	Estimate.	Computed Outlay to end of 1875-76.	Grant, 1876-77.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
at Chepauk ...	2,35,050	30,000	85,000
...	40,100	10,000	15,000
...	1,41,628	1,18,057	17,000
	4,17,078	1,58,057	1,17,000

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10. The estimate for the first work has recently been sanctioned by the Government of India for Rupees 2,08,000; but it is understood that the Madras Government now intends to postpone it and propose a different scheme for providing hospital accommodation. Meanwhile the grant may stand subject to further orders. The estimate for the second work has also been sanctioned by the same Government. That for the third work has been sanctioned by the Government of Madras.

11. The work under group C consists of a new double-storeyed hospital for ninety patients at Poonamallee—

	RS.
Estimate ...	1,02,000
Computed outlay to end of 1875-76...	20,000
Grant, 1876-77 ...	40,000

There is a grant of Rupees 20,000 for the work in the Budget Estimate for 1875-76, which is the sum set down as the probable outlay above. This sum the Government of Madras hope will be spent in the collection of materials. The plan and estimate will, it is added, be shortly sent to the Government of India. The grant is passed on the condition that no expenditure is incurred until the estimate is sanctioned by competent authority.

12. The works under groups D and E are as follow:—

	Estimate.	Grant, 1876-77.
	RS.	RS.
D.—New works, the provision for which will 1876-77—		
Two Smiths' sheds at the Gun Carriage Ma Madras...	16,700	16,500
Raising floors of quarters occupied by Milln powder Factory, Madras ...	2,500	2,500
E.—New works, the provision for which will n in 1876-77—		
Improving drainage of European Infantry Ba	7,700	4,000

13. Under group F, provision for estimates, the items are as follow:—

9. Third storey for the quarters of Fort St. George ...	7,000
11. Garrison Gymnasium at Bang	10,000
12. One block of stables for Caval	20,000
	37,000

The approximate estimate for the 1 but the number of stalls to be provided have been emergently applied for by 1 sanitary grounds, but it is not stated wh increased rent in consequence. Subject t and on the condition that no expenditure sanctioned, the grants may stand.

which there are no sanctioned

y of Ordnance,	RS.
...	7,000
...	10,000
...	20,000
	37,000

s said to amount to Rupees 82,800, mentioned. The first work is said to ellency the Commander-in-Chief on the Commissary of Ordnance will pay mation being furnished on these points, urred unless on estimates previously

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No expenditure is to be incurred on any of these three works until the Government of Madras are perfectly assured that there will be a decrease of Rupees 50,000 in the Imperial stock balances of the year. If there is likely to be no such reduction, or if the reduction is likely to fall short of the stipulated sum of Rupees 50,000, then the works must not be carried out, or only carried out to the extent by which the reduction in stock falls short of Rupees 50,000.

14. Under a distinct head of class C the Government of Madras enter a sum of Rupees 1,50,000 as being required as an additional grant for 1876-77. As regards this grant the Government of Madras, in paragraph 5 of its Proceedings, say as follows:—

"It will be pointed out that it is in consequence of the reduction by the Government of India of the demand on account of Major New Works to one-half that the Government of Madras finds it necessary to transfer to Major New Works a considerable portion of the scanty allotment made for Minor New Works. The result being that neither Major nor Minor New Works are adequately provided for, and the list of Military requirements instead of being diminished by being worked off is increasing faster than provision is made to meet it. On these grounds a special appeal will therefore be made for a grant of Rs. 84,000 as under class C, with a view to keeping intact the allotment of Rupees 84,000 for Minor New Works for its own purpose."

15. The Budget sent up contains Works. It is understood that the for an extra grant of Rupees 1,50 provided for Minor Works being

16. The works for which may be grouped as follows:—

inished by being worked off is increasing
 hands. On these grounds a special appeal
 is under class C, with a view to keeping
 "Minor New Works for its own purpose."
 provision for the Rupees 81,000 for Minor
 the Government of Madras in applying
 vent any portion of the Rupees 81,000
 for Works.

A grant of Rupees 1,50,000 is required

	Amount of Estimate.	Required, 1876-77.
ed by the Govern-	RS.	RS.
Bangalore ...	78,970	} 35,000
" ...	5,610	
" ...	2,850	
	87,460	25,000
sioned by Local		
... ..	23,500	} 25,000
... ..	27,380	
at Bellary ...	12,255	12,000
giments ...	8,600	8,000
... ..	13,400	13,000
rs into guard-room		
Regiment, Canna-		
... ..	13,930	14,000
iment, Cannanore.	3,170	3,000
	1,02,235	75,000

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	Amount of Estimate.	Required, 1876-77.
III.—Works for which estimates have still to be sanctioned—	RS.	RS.
28—32. New double-storied barracks, &c., at Poonamallee ...	3,25,000	10,000
36. Certain improvements to Ulsoor Works, Bangalore.	...	5,000
	...	15,000
IV.—Works for which estimates have still to be sanctioned, and regarding the necessity for which a reference has been made to Military Department—		
27. Entire set of new lines for Native Infantry at Poodooppett.	...	25,000
Grand Total ...	...	1,50,000

17. Of the works above enumerated any expenditure being incurred on the each:—

Government of India cannot permit of
ing for the reasons specified against

RS.

44. New Lock Hospital, Welling-
less expensive accommo-
estimate for the work has
of Madras for considerati
allow a grant until that c

... 13,000

28-32. New double-storeyed barrack
complete estimates for this
by the Government of
allowed

... .. 10,000

27. Entire set of new lines for Madras. The question referred to the Government settled and estimates say a grant

ry at Poodooppett,
his work has been
and until this is
o need to provide
25,000

48,000

18. As regards the other we in a position to assign an extra grant. year it is possible to do so, the Gov. priety, with reference to the claim assignment. But it is necessary to ne a large amount to devote to the constru at Bellary. The number of men to be

nt of India regret that it is not
 wever, during the course of the
 in Council will consider the pro-
 + elsewhere, of providing an extra
 m of Rupees 12,255 appears to be
 blocks of huts for hospital servants
 d should be stated.

19. Of the works entered in 28, 29, 36, 38, 39, 45, 50 to 52, and 53. They are therefore struck out.

Estimate under class C, items
no estimates sanctioned for them.

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No. 3,533, dated 14th December 1875. The sum disallowed under Minor Works, Postal and Telegraph, will be provided by a ratable deduction from the allotments shown in Appendix C of the Budget. Under Postal the grants will now stand at Rupees 305 for each range, except Madras, which will have a grant of Rupees 299. And under Telegraph the grants will stand at Rupees 200 for each range.

8. Subject to the foregoing remarks District Engineers will at once act upon the Budget, the final issue of which is circulated with these orders.

9. The detailed orders of the Government of India on the Budget Estimate of Salt Works will be separately communicated.

10. Adverting to paragraph 23, it is observed that the necessity for Deputy Chief Engineers in the General and Irrigation Branches of the department and suitable office establishments has been fully explained to the Government of India in a separate communication.

11. With reference to the extensive reductions which the Government of India have in their orders made in the assignment for Imperial Public Works, it is observed that the proportionate contribution on account of Public Works Establishments will be correspondingly reduced, and that the balance of the cost of those establishments under the operation of the orders of the 25th September 1874, No. 1,613, (Financial Proceedings of the 25th) will fall on Provincial Funds. Assuming the grants for works to stand at the high level originally proposed by the Government of Madras, it is shown in the Provincial Budget for 1876-77 that the Provincial Funds are unduly burdened by establishment charges. A reference to the Financial Proceedings of the 25th September 1874, No. 1,613,* will show that the arrangement under which this state of affairs is brought about was accepted on a distinct understanding that it would not take place in the allotment for works. It seems necessary that the question be reconsidered, and it is accordingly remitted for this purpose to the Financial

* Public Works G.O., No. 3,533, 19th December 1874.

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- To the Consulting Architect.
- " Examiner of Public Works.
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