

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 1056

Dated 16th December

[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing A.G. that the Finance
Board does not appear to contemplate the
submission to him of any sub-vouchers.

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Enquiring as to whether the submission of any sub vouchers to this office is contemplated in cases of famine expenditure of the kind referred to viz

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FORT ST. GEORGE,

Accountant-General's Office,

10th December 1897.

No. 3894

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From

J. C. Harrison Esquire,

Offg. ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

SIR,

In connection with the Audit of famini detailed bills in this office, a doubt has arisen as to the necessity for the submission of sub vouchers with the countersigned bills.

2. Section 183 of the Famini Code prescribed the form in which the bills should be prepared but neither in the Section nor in the connected form (No. 3) is there any allusion to the submission of sub vouchers. The ordinary rule in the Civil Account code is that the disbursing and countersigning officers may retain sub vouchers up to the limits mentioned.

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in their certificates (10 and 100 rupees respectively) and should

submit sub vouchers of higher value. In the case of the famine detailed bills however (form 3 appendix VIII of the Famine code) no such certificates have been prescribed. Moreover the Divisional officer is stated in section 52 of the Famine code to be entirely responsible for the check and audit of famine expenditure under all heads. In these circumstances, I am doubtful whether the submission of any sub vouchers to this office is contemplated in cases of Famine expenditure of the kind referred to above and solicit the favour of early instructions from Government on the subject.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. servt.,
W. M. S. S. S.
for Offg. Accountant General.

Returned for signature

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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FOR ORDERS.

The rule in the Famine Code is clear and does not appear to contemplate the submission of any sub. vouchers to the A-C. The Divisional officers are responsible for the check of famine expenditure under all heads except ~~and~~ Public works (section 52) and section 183 provides a certificate to be appended to the bill, ~~in~~ in which these officers should ~~not~~ declare that they have taken all reasonable means of testing the accuracy of the ~~exp.~~ bills submitted by subordinates and that the charges incurred by themselves are correct.

Agree
JG
14/12/97

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S. H. S.

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to A.C. 16/12/97

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The A. C. will be informed
that the Famine Code does not
appear to
contemplate the submission
to him of any sub-vouchers

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Sub-vouchers.

Informing the Accountant-General that the Famine Code does not appear to contemplate the submission to him of any —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following letter from F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Offg., Accountant-General to the Government of Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort St. George, 10th December 1897, No. 3894:—

In connection with the audit of famine detailed bills in this office, a doubt has arisen as to the necessity for the submission of sub-vouchers with the countersigned bills.

2. Section 183 of the Famine Code prescribes the form in which the bills should be prepared, but neither in the section nor in the connected form (No. 3) is there any allusion to the submission of sub-vouchers. The ordinary rule in the Civil Account Code is that the disbursing and countersigning officers may retain sub-vouchers up to the limits mentioned in their certificates (10 and 100 rupees, respectively), but should submit sub-vouchers of higher value. In the case of the famine detailed bills however (form 3, appendix VIII of the Famine Code), no such certificates have been prescribed. Moreover the Divisional officer is stated in section 52 of the Famine Code to be entirely responsible for the check and audit of famine expenditure under all heads. In these circumstances, I am doubtful whether the submission of any sub-vouchers to this office is contemplated in cases of famine expenditure of the kind referred to above and solicit the favour of early instructions from Government on the subject.

ORDER—No. 1056, Revenue, dated 16th December 1897.

Miscellaneous.

The Accountant-General will be informed that the Famine Code does not appear to contemplate the submission to him of any sub-vouchers.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant-General.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Famine Commissioner.

Exd. A. F. Eccleston.

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