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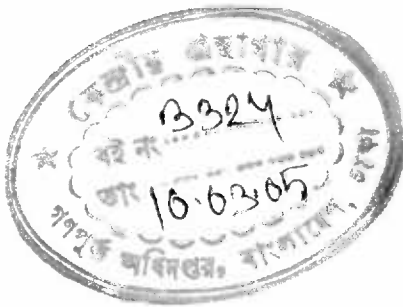
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GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
Central Public Works Department Code.

SECTION I.—INTRODUCTORY.

1. This Code is intended to define the scope of the functions of minor local Governments in respect of central works, as also of officers of the Public Works Department working either directly subordinate to or under the control of authorities directly subordinate to the Governor-General. It does not apply to works carried out otherwise than through the agency of the Public Works Department, nor should anything in it be deemed to override any special rules laid down by the Government of Pakistan for application to special classes of works, *e. g.*, the Rules for the management of Governor-General's Estates.

1-A. (a) All original works and special repairs, costing more than Rs. 2,500 relating to Central Civil buildings and communications shall be executed through the Agency of the Public Works Department, Central or Provincial, as the case may be. In exceptional cases in which the Public Works Department is not employed for the execution of such works and repairs, the Audit Department shall invariably be consulted at the initial stage, *i. e.*, prior to an agreement being entered into with an architect or contractor, so that suitable provision may be made, so far as possible, for normal audit check and financial control.

(b) (i) Original works and special repairs costing Rs. 2,500 or less and all ordinary repairs, irrespective of their cost, relating to buildings the administrative control of which vests in the heads of Departments, shall be executed by them without reference to the Public Works Department except where it is not possible for the heads of Departments to do so.

(ii) As an exception to this rule, all works on, and repairs to, such of the buildings in Lahore, as are under the charge of Central Civil Departments (other than the Civil Aviation Department) will be executed by the Central Public Works Department on payment of the usual departmental charges.

(c) In all other cases, the Public Works Department shall be responsible for maintenance, including special repairs, and original works, irrespective of their cost.

NOTE.—These rules do not apply to works pertaining to the Lighthouse, Archaeological and Salt Departments. They also do not apply to works and repairs in connection with sanitary, water-supply and electrical installations which are governed by paragraph 193 of the General Financial Rules.

2. The term "minor local Government" as used in this Code means all Chief Commissioners.

The following "chief local authorities" discharge the functions and exercise the Powers of a minor local Government :—

- (1) The Government of Pakistan in the Ministry of Health and Works in respect of circles and divisions under their direct control.
- (2) and (3) Deleted.

The term "Audit Officer" includes a Pay and Accounts Officer in cases in which such an Officer has been entrusted with the discharge of any of the duties assigned to an Audit Officer under this Code.

3. Where, under the rules in this Code, any function is assigned, or power (other than that of technical sanction) delegated to an officer of the Public Works Department of a certain status, and there is no officer of that or of higher status in the local area concerned, the function may be discharged or power exercised by the minor local Government.

SECTION II.—ESTABLISHMENTS AND MISCELLANEOUS.

A.—GENERAL.

4. Posts under minor local Governments designed to be held by members of the Central Service of Engineers or of the Provincial Engineering Service are ordinarily filled by the appointment of officers obtained from the Provincial Governments. An officer thus obtained draws the pay of the post to which he is appointed in cases where a specific rate of pay is attached to such a post ; otherwise he draws the pay admissible to him upon the time scale of the service to which he belongs. He is also entitled to any special pay or compensatory allowance attached to the post in question.

5. Where a post under a minor local Government is borne upon the cadre of a Provincial Government, appointments to it are made by the Provincial Government concerned. If the post is of divisional or higher status, the appointment should be made in consultation with the minor local Government.

6. Applications regarding the leave or retirement of an officer, who is borne upon the cadre of a Provincial Government and who is serving under a minor local Government, should be forwarded by the minor local Government with its recommendation to the Provincial Government for disposal.

B.—ANNUAL AND OTHER REPORTS ON ENGINEERING SUBORDINATES.

7. Personal registers or annual reports, showing a continuous record of service, should be maintained for all engineering subordinates, commendations as well as censures being entered therein.

8. Deleted.

C.—EMPLOYMENT ON LOCAL FUND WORKS.

9. A Superintending Engineer may be required to exercise, in addition to his ordinary duties, supervision over Local Fund expenditure in communication with the civil officers, under such orders and rules as the minor local Government may lay down. Similarly, members of