

Local & Munl. (1895-) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 2140 L.

DATED 7th Nov 1895.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Veldurti Road-dam.

Informing the President, District Board, Kurnool, that Govt. sees no reason to modify the decision arrived at in the G.O. quoted sanctioning the expenditure on the ---- with certain reservation.

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Proceedings of the District Board, Kurnool.

Dated 28th August 1895.

PRESENT.

C. M. Muthaly Esquire Collector & President.

OFFICIAL MEMBERS.

- 1 U. Venugopaul Chetty Esq^r, Head Assistant Collector
- 2 Mrky. J. Gopalaswami Iyer Esq^r, Head Quarter Dy. Collector
- 3 " D. Jagannadha Rau Pantulu garu, Dy. Collector, Cumbum
- 4 Sufthar Hussain sahib Bahadur, Dy. Collector, Pyapalle

Officials

Nominated

- 5 Surgeon Major A Lodge Patch, District Medical & Sanitary Officer
- 6 F. A. Lodge Esq^r, District Forest Officer
- 7 Mrky. B. S. Rungiah Naidu garu, Vice President
- 8 " J. V. Guruswami Naidu garu, Tahsildar Pattikonda

Elected

- 9 Mrky. K. Vijayaraghavachariar Esq^r, Tahsildar Nandyal
- 10 " V. Thangavelu Mood^r Esq^r, " Nandikotkur
- 11 " Y. Venkatramanjula Naidu garu, " Markapur
- 12 " A. V. Singaravelu Mood^r Esq^r, " Ramallakot
- 13 " P. Rajagopaul Naidu garu Dy. Tahsildar Atmakur

Non-Officials

Nominated

- 14 Rev^d W. A. Staunton A. B. Missionary, Kurnool
- 15 Mr Manecji Merwanji Karaka
- 16 Read Rau Bahadur G. Ram sing garu
- 17 Mrky. M. Subbanna Chetty garu,
- 18 " A. Venkoba Rau garu
- 19 " P. Govindu Naidu garu
- 20 " B. Venkal Reddi garu
- 21 " J. Maddurleti Chetty garu,

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President

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Elected.

Rev. J. Newcomb, A. B. Missionary, Cumbum
 Haji Hussain saib Bahadur, Cumbum
 Mr. J. Chidambaram Rau garu, Kurnool
 G. Chidambarayya garu, Markapur
 M. Sreenivasachari garu, Koilkuntla
 Tuva Rami Reddi garu, Midthur
 P. Virupakshappa garu, Kurnool
 Ella Reddi garu, Maddikera
 N. Govindappa garu, Pyapalli.

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62. Read G. O. n^o 1342 L dated 31st July '95, sanc-
 tioning the expenditure on the Veldurti Road-
 dam with some reservation and footnote
 thereon of the President.

Resolution— The Board resolves that Government
 be moved to cancel the reservation to their
 order for the following reasons:—

- (1) The Board was aware and approved of the
 work being undertaken in anticipation of
 the sanction of Government.
- (2) The plan and estimate were prepared and
 work executed in strict accordance with
 the instructions of the Superintending Engineer
 as will be seen from the accompanying
 sketch which was prepared and recom-
 mended by him for adoption. He was
 actually at the spot after the work had

commenced; and all his subsequent instruc-
 tions were carried out.

(3) The vague had long been a most serious obsta-
 cle to the heavy traffic between Kurnool and
 the station, and the Board was and is of
 opinion that urgent action ^{was necessary} to utilize the
 Rs 5000 allotted for the purpose within the
 year.

(4) The Board is unanimously of opinion that
 the work has been done well and that it is
 not just to hold the President personally
 liable for a work which was undertaken
 with the knowledge and approval of the
 Board and entirely for the public welfare.
 It is observed that the Superintending En-
 gineer stated in his letter n^o 2824 dated
 9th February 1894— "Of course in a road dam
 of this kind some risk must be incurred,"
 and the Board is quite prepared to take
 this risk.

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(True Extract)

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5.9.95

President

No. 38

ENCLOSURES. 2

District Board
Kurnool Collector's Office.

Local & Municipal Department
Kurnool, DATED 15th Sept 1895.
CURRENT No. 25922

From

L. M. Mullaly Esq,
President District Board,
COLLECTOR OF KURNOOL.

To

Chief
THE SECRETARY TO Government,
Local and Municipal
Department, Fort St. George.

Sir,

Adverting to Government Order No.
1342 d. Mis. dated 31st July 1895, I
have the honor to submit herewith
a copy of the Resolution passed by
the District Board at its meeting
held on 28th August 1895, and to respect-
fully request a reconsideration of the
orders of Government holding me perso-
nally responsible for the amount expend-
ed on the Vel durti Road dam, should
it collapse within three years after the
date

date of its completion.

2. It will be seen from the resolution which was unanimously adopted at a meeting attended by 30 out of 39 members on the Board, that my action had the full support of the Board.

3. I would specially invite the attention of Government to the accompanying sketch drawn up by Colonel Fraser R. E. the then Superintending Engineer, which formed an enclosure to his letter No 2547 dated 11th January 1894, wherein he recommended its adoption for the Velduati Vagu road dam. This sketch was suggested by the Superintending Engineer on his returning the plans and estimate

for a bridge for the 2nd time and was accordingly adopted. The Superintending Engineer himself subsequently visited the spot, in the middle of February 1894 and inspected the laying of foundations. He further left some subsidiary instructions for the carrying on of the work, which were all duly carried out. All subsequent instructions received from him from time to time were immediately forwarded to the Local District Engineer and duly carried out by him. If now the design is pronounced faulty, I respectfully submit that the responsibility rests with the Superintending Engineer and not with me. I possess no professional skill and had nothing

to do with technical detail, but under
2. the power vested in me by rule 36 para 4
of the Local Fund rules, I arranged
for the execution of the work in anticipation
3. of sanction on account of its emergency,
just as many other urgent works are,
as a matter of routine, commenced
3. in anticipation of sanction.
4. The vagu was a very serious obstacle
to the heavy traffic between the Head
Quarters of the District and the Railway
Station. During the rains the mails were
delayed and general traffic stopped;
even in dry weather, crossing was difficult
and carts were upset. The Board had
long been endeavouring to get a bridge
without success and had allotted funds

for

for the work in 1893-94. The time for utilizing
this allotment was short, and if the dry
season had been lost, funds would have
lapsed and the work would certainly
have been delayed for another year.
It was by far the most important and
urgent work in the District, and I
was of opinion that the work as designed
by the Superintending Engineer should
be carried out at once. The District
Board was and is also of opinion that
urgent action was necessary. I therefore
respectfully submit that under these
circumstances I was justified in exer-
cising the power vested in me by the rules.
5. The present resolution shows that
the Board, almost all the members of
which

which have seen the work, is of opinion
that it has been done well; and it is quite
prepared to accept any risk that may
be incurred by such a work. I have
no reason to think that it will collapse
within the period fixed by Government -
on the contrary I believe it will stand
for many years; but seeing that works
done under the best supervision some-
times fail, through accident or other
unforeseen circumstances, I res-
pectfully request Government to
cancel its order holding me personally
responsible for a work of undoubted
utility and urgency carried out in
strict accordance with the instructions
of the Superintending Engineer with
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the knowledge and approval of the
District Board and purely in the
interests of the public.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

your most obedient servant

President D. Board

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Local & Municipal Dept.
Correspondence Department.
CURRENT No. 2592 X

FROM B. M. Mulla Esq
President Collector of Dist Board
Kurnool.

TO Chief
THE SECRETARY TO Government
Local & Municipal Dept.
Madras

DATED 5 } September 1895
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No. 38
ENCLOSURES. 2
Subject.

Requesting Government to
cancel the resolution to its order
dated 31-7-95 sanctioning the
expenditure on the Veldurti road during

AM. For orders.
Please see the notes &
order in go. 1342 L.
31-7-95

MS. 10/95
9/10/95
Please put up the L. 7. Rules
requiring bills above a certain
sum to be sanctioned by Govt.
MS
10/10/95

Please see rule 36 put up & marked.
12/10/95 12/10/95

The work was obviously not an urgent
one. The Vagu had existed between the
work & the Board for some time & the place
situated & the work might have waited for
the few weeks necessary to comply with
the rules.
I don't see how Mr. Mulla can shelter
himself behind the Supd Eng. - The rules
are clear - The Supd Eng. had no authority
in the matter. Besides, the work was carried
out without any design or estimate at all
being sanctioned.

Should maintain the G.O.
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31 Oct 17/07/95 29/10/95

Cumulated MS
24/10/95
Sent me by mistake, apparently
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20/10/95

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DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated ^{31st July} ~~1342 L. 31-7-95~~ 1895, No. 1342 L. Dated 31st July 1895.
Again G.O., dated 189 , No. .
Current No. 2592 L of 1895, dated 5.9.95, from President, Dist. Board, Kurnool
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ORDER. No 2140 L. 7-11-95

The Government sees no reason
to ^{modify} the decision arrived
at in its order No 1342 L. D.
31-7-95

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To The President, District Board, Kurnool, P. 90.
Supd. 8/11/95

Recovery of the expenditure on
Valdivia road-dam under
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