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Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 800 M

DATED 5-4-97

[Despatch Abstract.]

Antonio Negro

Recording explanation from the Collector  
of Anandapur. regarding the delay in the erection  
of sheds at Gumbakhal.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Against G.O., dated

189 , No.

Current No. 4334

of 1897, dated 12<sup>th</sup> March

from the J. W. of Chhatapur

Current No.

of 189 , dated

from the

Has to Blue  
Has to Fox  
H.E. the person

FOR ORDERS.

H.M.

This is a melancholy confession reply to the P.O. calling upon for capacity. All this fuss about a few huts the materials for which could be obtained in two or three days from the Kurnool jungles (to which I am not the C.O. does not seem to have resorted) & which, my decent village commission but of omission. I suppose they have got to build a case of bringing a steam engine to hill a fly. a want of initiative & practical resource.

BS  
17/3/97

No Collector properly insured into the trade in of his own world have brought such delay necessary or allowed it to occur.

BS  
17/3/97

Agree with the Hon. Mr. Prime. I suppose Mr. D. G. is the person.

Region as D. G. Mr. Kistner, vice. Pinsky; and Mr.

Shelley as Acting Collector Broughtapur.

I am very thankful to him it. 29.3.97  
With best improvement

Of course - Imagine a Collector hastening to head 2 hanters because a few huts were ordered to be built.

BS

He forgets to tell us that the real reason why the San. Com. finally condemned the site was the proximity of an inhabited hamlet. Why this was not noticed, when discovered, reported, he has been called upon to explain in another Prog.

A practical joke too we have got hold of the Tabl & had the work done deprecate mentally through him without

~~See also the following~~  
doubtless the fact in any way.

S.R. 16/3/97

H.M.

Is it proposed to do any-  
thing more than record  
the explanation.

I should say that  
would suffice  
BS

24/4/97

S.R. 1/4/97

Order No. 800 mins of 5-4-97

Recorded

(From order)

S.R. 24/4/97

V.A.

3/4/97

Office of Assistant  
Public Secy

Note

It is presumed that the necessary action  
with reference to H.E.'s note of the 29th March will be taken  
been taken in the Public Deptt.

V.A.  
3/4/97

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5/4/97

Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1133 M

From

The Collector  
Guntakal

Ref. No. 131 of 1897

Dated

12<sup>th</sup> March 1897

Received 13-3-1897

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Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Plague:-

Submitting  
explanation called for  
for the delay in the  
erection of sheds at  
Guntakal.

FOR ORDERS.

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Quintapur Collect Office

Ref on C. 10631

12<sup>th</sup> March 1897

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT  
CURRENT No. 1133

From

K. C. Mananathan Raja Esq.

Collector of  
Quintapur

To

The Secretary to Government  
Local & Municipal Dept.  
Fort Saint George  
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Government Order, No 447, in dated, 9<sup>th</sup> March 1897, & before proceeding to submit my explanation therein called for, respectfully beg to point out an apparent error in the abstract of the telegram dated 27<sup>th</sup> February 1897, read in the Government Order, on which the order under reference seems to have been passed. This abstract is as follows:-

"Telegram from the same Office, dated 27<sup>th</sup> February 1897 stating that fresh site has been selected

the construction of huts has been completed & they will be used as a temporary measure". They also state that what was stated in the telegram was that "huts completed will be used as temporary measure" thereby meaning that the one hut which has been completed would be used as a temporary measure.

It was not meant that the construction of all the huts had been completed. I regret the want of clearness in the telegram & the apparent mis-conception.

2. As regards the delay noticed by Government, I beg to submit that Government Order, No 10, dated 8th February 1897, was received at Head quarters on the 10<sup>th</sup> & I thought it advisable in camp. The Vice President having ascertained that there were no other funds than general savings, forwarded the next day a copy of the order to the Divisional Officer & President. Salub Board Society with instructions

The Madras Tiffin is delivered at 11.30 a.m. and closed at the Post office at 3.30 p.m.

What for, I wonder  
BN

3. The papers which were then forwarded to me in camp reached me on the 12<sup>th</sup>. I immediately hastened to Head quarters the same night.

4. On the 13<sup>th</sup> the Deputy Collector was further directed to make enquiries as to whether any quarters were available at the old Guulatal Junction premises.

5. On the 15<sup>th</sup> I wired to the Local Board Enquirer from Head quarters to proceed with the erection of sheds in consultation with Doctor Meenase. Government is aware that Guulatal is a small village & that building materials can be procured only from Bellary. The materials were accordingly obtained with the greatest possible speed & work put in hand. In this office wire of the 16<sup>th</sup>, it was accordingly

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Submitted that the Local Indian Engineer was at Guntakal constructing Sheds & the same information was also given in the Memo of the 18<sup>th</sup>. Immediately after submitting the Memo, I proceeded to Guntakal & found that one Shed was almost completed, the roof alone remaining to be done. On the 19<sup>th</sup>, the Surgeon General's letter No 778, dated 7<sup>th</sup> February 1897, was received at Anantapur & sent to me at Guntakal on the 20<sup>th</sup>. I took no time in requesting the Local Indian Engineer to make a rough estimate of the amount that would be required for the construction of Sheds as per Surgeon General's instructions.

6. An estimate was roughly prepared on the 21<sup>st</sup> & this office Memo submitted to Government the same day. The same night at about 7 o'clock, the Medical Officer reported to me that another site would have to be selected

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as the first one was too near the rest camp; & proposed going to one the 23<sup>rd</sup> with the assistance of the Engineer. The Local Indian Engineer, with whom I was at the time of the receipt of the letter, conferring on the same subject was personally requested to wait on Doctor Macrae as desired by him.

7. On the 24<sup>th</sup> a telegram was received from the Staff Officer Balcony objecting to the construction of Sheds in the present site.

8. On receipt of Government telegram of the 27<sup>th</sup> in reply to Memo of the 25<sup>th</sup>, the Medical Officer was requested to stop erection of Sheds at the new site & on receipt of the order promised in the said telegram the Engineer was directed on the 1<sup>st</sup> March that the construction of Sheds at the old site

Should be completed without delay  
 & the matter reported to me.

9. In the meanwhile the Medical  
 Officer reported that the Sanitary  
 Commissioner visited the Speh on  
 the 4<sup>th</sup> instant, and viewed the site  
 & selected another. This was imme-  
 diately reported to Government  
 in my letter, Ref. C. No 681 dated  
 6<sup>th</sup> March 1897 & orders were solicited  
 by wire as to whether the construc-  
 tion of sheds at the new site should  
 be proceeded with.

10. On the 8<sup>th</sup>, I myself proceeded  
 to Gratabail to hasten the arrange-  
 ments & have also since submitted  
 a detailed report to Government  
 in the matter.

11. With reference to period  
 of the order under report, I beg  
 to state that as materials could  
 not be procured earlier than the  
 16<sup>th</sup>, work was put in hand only on  
 that date & was stopped on the  
 receipt of the Medical Officer's

letter on the 21<sup>st</sup> i.e. only 5 days  
 & not, I respectfully beg to submit,  
 a fortnight after the commence-  
 ment of the work.

12. The reason for stopping the  
 work was its proximity, so already  
 explained, to the rest camp. I hope  
 that in a matter of this kind it  
 will be readily conceded that  
 I was bound to defer to the opinion  
 of the Medical Officer.

13. In conclusion I trust that  
 the above is sufficient to show  
 that the completion of the huts  
 was mainly delayed from the begin-  
 ning by a deal of uncertainty  
 & disagreement as to the suitability  
 of the present site. I should have  
 of course adhered to the original  
 site as per orders of Government  
 & got the huts completed by this  
 time, had it not been for the  
 pronounced opinion of the Medical Officer  
 as to the advisability of adopting

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 order  
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a new side.

14. It must be admitted that practically little was done between 11<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> except correspondence; but Government will observe that such correspondence is unavoidable. On my arrival at Head quarters on the 12<sup>th</sup>, I found that the Divisional Officer had already been directed to see to the early execution of sheds. His reply asking me by wire to <sup>This Dist. Officer must be</sup> ~~approve~~ <sup>as to the</sup> ~~instruct~~ <sup>the</sup> the Local Field Engineer <sup>who is he?</sup> was received on the 15<sup>th</sup> & evidently, he was in camp organising relief works. He is at present, the hardest worked official in the District & naturally he found very inconvenient to proceed to Guntakal at once. Immediately on receipt of his wire on the 15<sup>th</sup>, I took the work in my own hand & since then, as I have already pointed out, every thing possible was being done.

15. I beg also to state that on the night of the 12<sup>th</sup>, on my arrival,

Apparently nothing has been done since  
b/s

None thinks so  
Drummond  
H

I found an urgent telegram waiting for me in connection with the arrangements to be made for His Excellency's visit. On the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, I was fully busy giving instructions for these arrangements & also compiling my fortnightly narrative & had hardly any time to attend to this subject, which I hoped was safe in the hands of the Divisional Officer. The subject is being dealt with by an experienced clerk under my personal supervision & I stay at Head quarters much against my will with the sole object of preventing delay which would be unavoidable if I were to go out to camp. If after these explanations, the Government still consider that there was inexplicable delay, I have only to submit that it was not wilful. I <sup>may</sup> without exaggeration say that for the past three months neither my Divisional officers

now I have had a day's rest, Sunday  
& holidays being work days in this  
District

I have the honor to be

Dear Sir,  
Yours most obedt Servant

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