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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 16th June 1857.

No. 71. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 30th May 1857, No. 802.

Read the following letter from Captain P. M. FRANCIS, District Engineer Coimbatore; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Ootacamund, 29th April 1857, No. 53.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose an emergent estimate for five Halting places on the Coonoor Ghaut, called for by Government in the Extract from Minutes of Consultation, No. 138 dated 5th February 1857.

Resolved with reference to para. 4, of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 138, dated 5th February 1857, to forward the above letter from the District Engineer No. 53, dated 29th April 1857, together with the emergent estimate for excavating. Halts on the Coonoor Ghaut amounting to Rupees (770) seven hundred and seventy to Government, and to recommend the estimate for execution on emergency out of the one lac fund.

(Signed) C. E. FABER, Colonel,
Chief Engineer.

No. 72. ORDER THEREON, No. 1143; dated 13th June 1857.

Referring to para. 4 of Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 5th February 1857, No. 138, the Chief Engineer forwards, a letter from the District Engineer of Coimbatore, together with an emergent estimate for excavating five halts on the Coonoor Ghaut, amounting to Rupees 770, and recommends the estimate for execution on emergency out of the one lac fund. In the order just referred to, the Government called for no such estimate. They noticed that Natives going up from the low country are in the habit of picketting cattle, and of lighting fires, almost in the centre of the road, often obstructing the traffic, and rendering the passage difficult, and they requested that the Magistrate would prevent such irregularities in future. There is nothing in the papers before Government to shew that the irregularities noticed will be effectually prevented by the excavation of five halting places on the Ghaut, nor does the Magistrate appear to have been consulted on the subject. On being furnished with more information, the Government will be prepared to take the matter into consideration; but Colonel Faber must be aware that the work he has recommended can have no claim to be considered emergent. His attention will be called to the repeated orders of the Government of India in regard to the sense in which the term "emergent" is to be understood, more especially to those which were communicated to him with Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 2nd June 1857, No. 1047, which had not reached the Central office when the Proceedings now in question were despatched.

2. The Chief Engineer should also restrict his recommendation for execution of works out of the one lac fund, as a large portion of that fund has already been sanctioned, while only six weeks of the Official year have passed.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Buildings ( ) (New Work)

Abstract of Estimate № of 185 /5

District. Coimbatore

Work for excavating Halts on the Coonoor Ghauts, for the convenience of Travellers and Cattles.

Quantities	Description of Work	Rates			Amount	Amount of each part
		Rs	As	P	Rupees	Rupees
C Yds						
6000	Excavation ——— @ 6 Yds	"	1	6	563	
	20 Places for coolies to rest their bundles on Shumathan-gees ——— Each	10	"	"	200	
	Sundries ———				7	
	Total Company's Rupees				770	

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George.
30 May 1857

Lt Colonel
Chief Engineer D.P.W.

Enclosure
In a Letter

From
The Chief Engineer
D-P-W-

To
The Secretary to Govt.
D-P-W-

No 1109

Dated 30th May/57
Received 1st June/57
P.W. 1109
No. 802
P.C. 639/57

Abstract Estimate of the expense for excavating Halts on the Coonoor Ghauts for convenience of Travellers & Cattle in the District of Coimbatore

Amounting to C.s Rs 770-

13 June 57.
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Pub. Work Dept.

No 1143

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 13th June 1857.

Read the following

Extract from the Proceedings

of the Chief Engineer.

Here enter 30th May 1857
No 802/

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Dt. 13th June 57.

Extract from Chief Engr. 12th June
56 No. 1204 in Sec. 30th
from the Chief Engineer 14th
Sept. 57 No. 1840 in 166

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