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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.
Cons. Sec. - 6-57

G.O. No. <i>1242</i>	Press Mis.
<i>24</i> Dated <i>25-6-18</i>	<i>57</i>

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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 30th June 1857.

No. 24. Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

From H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government of Fort St. George; to Colonel W. E. BAKER, Secretary to the Government of India, dated 25th June 1857, No. 1242.

SIR,

With reference to the orders of the Government of India communicated in your endorsement No. 2140, dated 12th October 1855, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to submit a Statement shewing the several works, of which the estimated cost exceeded in each case a thousand Rupees, ordered by this Government during the month of May 1857, to be executed on emergency, to the amount noted in the margin.

Irrigation.....	3,670
Communications	4,460
Total Rs.....	8,130

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 30th June 1857.

Statement shewing the several works of which the estimated cost exceeded in each case a thousand rupees

No.	District.	Particulars of Work.	Date of sanction.	Amount of Estimate.
1	Tinnevely	<i>Irrigation.</i> For constructing an annicut across the Varuttaur, extending the irrigation channel leading from it and constructing a surplus sluice.	7th May 1857, No. 831	Rupees. 3,670
		Total Irrigation.....		3,670
2	Masulipatam	<i>Communications.</i> For reconstructing the wooden bridge leading to the main gate of the Fort of Masulipatam.	30th do. No. 1028.	4,460
		Total Communications.....		4,460

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Irrigation.....
Communications.....
Total.....

Fort Saint George,
25th June 1857.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 30th June 1857.

and Rupees ordered by this Government during the month of May 1857, to be executed on emergency.

Explanation.

The old annicut is reported to have been carried away by an accident in November 1855, and the one now proposed was urgently required in order to ensure a proper supply of water to the tanks fed by the channel on which it is situated, and to secure a revenue to Government of upwards of 600 Rupees per annum. On these grounds, authority was granted for the work being executed on emergency. It will be perceived by the Government of India that the work is somewhat similar to that of the Nundiar annicut recently permitted by them to be reconstructed as an emergent work; and although it may be said, and this Government is prepared to admit, that with proper foresight on the part of the District Engineer, the estimate might have been included in the Budget of either 1856-57 or 1857-58, that foresight not having been exercised, and the necessity for the reconstruction of the work having only now been brought to the notice of Government, they have felt justified in ordering it on emergency, both to maintain the revenue which is 16 per cent. on the proposed outlay, and to secure the land owners from a continuance of the loss to which they have been for two years subjected, from inability to cultivate their lands.

The bridge in question was reported to be in a very dangerous condition, and it was feared that, unless early attention was paid to it, it would soon become impassable, more particularly for guns and heavy stores, &c. as some parts of it had already given way. Under this representation the work was ordered for execution on emergency.

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

Statement shewing the several works of which the estimated cost exceeded in each case a thousand Rupees ordered by this Government during the month of May 1857, to be executed on emergency.

No.	District.	Particulars of Work.	Date of sanction.	Amount of Estimate. Rupee.	Explanation.
1	Tinnevely.....	<i>Irrigation.</i> For constructing an annicut across the Varuttaur, extending the irrigation channel leading from it and constructing a surplus sluice.	7th May 1857, No. 831	3,670	The old annicut is reported to have been carried away by an accident in November 1855, and the one now proposed was urgently required in order to ensure a proper supply of water to the tanks fed by the channel on which it is situated, and to secure a revenue to Government of upwards of 600 Rupees per annum. On these grounds, authority was granted for the work being executed on emergency. It will be perceived by the Government of India that the work is somewhat similar to that of the Nundiar annicut recently permitted by them to be reconstructed as an emergent work; and although it may be said, Telegraph Message, dated 13th April 1857. and this Government is prepared to admit, that with proper foresight on the part of the District Engineer, the estimate might have been included in the Budget of either 1856-57 or 1857-58, that foresight not having been exercised, and the necessity for the reconstruction of the work having only now been brought to the notice of Government, they have felt justified in ordering it on emergency, both to maintain the revenue which is 16 per cent. on the proposed outlay, and to secure the land owners from a continuance of the loss to which they have been for two years subjected, from inability to cultivate their lands.
		Total Irrigation.....		3,670	
2	Masulipatam.....	<i>Communications.</i> For reconstructing the wooden bridge leading to the main gate of the Fort of Masulipatam.	30th do. No. 1028.	4,460	The bridge in question was reported to be in a very dangerous condition, and it was feared that, unless early attention was paid to it, it would soon become impassable, more particularly for guns and heavy stores, &c. as some parts of it had already given way. Under this representation the work was ordered for execution on emergency.
		Total Communications.....		4,460	

ABSTRACT.

	Rs.
Irrigation.....	3,670
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Total.....	8,130

Fort Saint George, }
25th June 1857.

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

Statement showing the several works of which the Estimated Cost exceeded in each case a thousand Rupees ordered by this Government during the Month of May 1857 to be executed on emergency.

No.	District	Particulars of work.	Date of sanction & estimate	Amount	Explanation
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Irrigation

7	Tinnevely	For constructing an "Arumut" across the Turattam, extending this irrigation channel leading from it and constructing a surplus sluice.	7 th May 1857	3,670	
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The old channel is reported to have been carried away by an accident in November 1855, and the one now proposed was urgently required in order to ensure a proper supply of water to the lands fed by this channel on which it is situated, and to secure a revenue to Government of upwards of 600 Rupees per Annum. On these grounds authority was granted for the work being executed on emergency. It will be perceived by this Government of India that the work is somewhat similar to that of the Musindarlem cut recently permitted by them to be reconstructed as an emergency. Telegraph. Mysore report; and although it may be said, and this Government is prepared to admit, that with proper foresight on the part of the District Engineer, the Estimate might have been included in the budget of either 1856/7 or 1857/8, that foresight not having been exercised, and the necessity for the reconstruction of this work having only now been brought to the notice of Government, they have felt justified in ordering it an emergency, both to maintain the revenue which is 16 per cent on the proposed outlay, and to secure the land owners from a continuance of the loss to which they have been for two years subjected from inability to cultivate their lands.

Total Irrigation 3,670

Communications

8	Masulipatam	For reconstructing the Wooden Bridge leading to the main gate of the Fort of Masulipatam.	23 rd May 1857	4,460	
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The Bridge in question was reported to be in a very dangerous condition, and it was feared that, unless early attention was paid to it, it would soon become impracticable, more particularly for guns and heavy stores, as some parts of it had already given way. Under this representation the work was ordered for execution on emergency.

Total Communications 4,460

Abstract

Irrigation	Rs. 3,670
Communications	4,460
<u>Total</u>	<u>8,130</u>

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Original
26 June

P. W. D.

1242

To

Lieutenant Col. W. E. Baker

Secretary to the Government of
India. P. W. D.

Sir,

With reference to
the orders of the Government
of India communicated
in your endorsement
No. 2140 dated 12th October
1855, I am directed by the
Right Honorable the
Governor in Council to
submit a Statement show-
ing the several works, of
which the estimated cost
exceeded in each case a thou-
sand Rupees, ordered by
this

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Month of May 1857 to be
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amount noted in the mar-

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Fort St. George
25th June 1857

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D^o to Ans 30th June:

N^o. 1242.

To The Secretary to the Govt.
of India. D. P. W.
D^o 25th June/57.

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Submitting a Statement,
showing the several works of which
the estimated cost exceeds and
each case, a thousand Rs., or
ordered by that Govt. during
the month of May 1857, to be
expended on emergency, and
amts of Rs. 8130.