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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 7th April 1857.

Read the following papers.

No. 13. Letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 24th January 1857, No. 9727.

SIR,

I have the honor, under the operation of Clause 2, Extract Minutes No. 696, of 18th October 1855, to forward copy of a letter from the District Engineer of Salem forwarding a Supplemental Estimate of Rupees 1068. for completing the bridge at Wodiaputty, on the Salem and Cuddalore road, the original one Rupees 1332, framed by Lieutenant Wilkieson, and sanctioned on the 2nd January 1852, being deficient in provision for foundations and waterway.

No. 503, dated 5th January 1857.

2. The work being already in course of execution, I beg that sanction may be granted for the additional outlay of Rupees (1,068) one thousand, and sixty eight as emergent.

No. 11. Extract from the Proceedings of the Acting Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle, in charge of the Central office of Public Works, dated 27th February 1857, No. 10500.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant T. E. GAHAGHAN, District Engineer of Salem; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 11th February 1857, No. 536.

SIR,

In reply to your letter No. 10055 of the 5th Instant, (subject as per margin,) I have the honor to inform you that the date entered in my letter No. 503, of the 5th January is taken from the printed Budget for 1856-57, which I received from the Central office and that no copy of the order of Government is to be found in my office.

Respecting the date of sanction of the original estimate for the Woodyaputty Bridge.

Resolved to forward with reference to an Official Memo. of the 3rd February 1857, from the Acting Secretary to Government, copy of the foregoing letter No. 536, of the 11th Idem, from the District Engineer Salem, informing that the date of Sanction of the original estimate of Rupees (1,332) for the construction of the Bridge in Woodiaputty, is taken from Item No. 337, of Budget Statement No. 2, for 1856-57.

(Signed) C. C. JOHNSTON, Captain,
Acting Superintending Engineer Northern Circle.

No. 15. ORDER THEREON, No. 601; dated 1st April 1857.

The Chief Engineer was requested in an Official Memorandum of the Secretary's, dated 3rd February, to point out the correct date of the sanction granted for the original estimate for the Wadiapully bridge, as that (2nd January 1852) quoted in his letter of the 24th January was found to be erroneous. The Officer in charge of the Central office, in reply submits a letter received from the District Engineer, reporting that the date was taken from the Budget of 1856-57.

2. This Budget was prepared in the Central office, and in the original copy, the 2nd January 1852, is quoted. The mistake had its origin in that office, and now, when it has been pointed out no trouble is taken to trace the correct date, and Capt. Johnston, simply forwards to Government, the District Engineer's letter. This mode of doing business is extremely unsatisfactory, it tends to delay, and creates useless correspondence, and the Government regret to find that they should be so repeatedly constrained to notice the inefficiency of the Central office. Colonel

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 7th April 1857.

Faber will lose no time in tracing the correct date of the order in question, and will report it to Government, and till this be done the supplemental estimate submitted with his communication of the 21th January, cannot be sanctioned.

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

Public Works Department.

Official Memo

With reference to the Chief Engineer's letter of the 24th January 1857 No. 9727 forwarding a supplemental Estimate of Rupees 1068 for completing the Woodiapetty Bridge in the Salem District the acting Secretary to Government has the honor to request the Chief Engineer will be good enough to give the correct date of some sanction to the original Estimate for this work as that quoted in his letter above referred to cannot be traced in the Government Office.

Fort Saint George
3rd February 1857 } (Signed) H Forbes
Acting Secretary to Government

To.
The Chief Engineer

Enclosure

In

No

From

The Chief Engineer
S. P. W.

To

The Secretary to Govt
P. W. D.

Dated 24 Jan 1857.
Received 4/57.

P.W. 154/57
S. 97/57

Abstract Estimate of the expense of Constructing a Bridge of two Arches 25 feet span each across the Cootaun River in the limits of Moodiapully in the District of Salem Amounting to Rupees 2968 — in lieu of Rupees 2200 —

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Memorandum.

The Assistant to the Chief Engineer has the honor by order to inform the Secretary to Government P. W. D. with reference to his official Memo of the 3rd instant that no trace can be found in the Central Office P. W. to the date of sanction to the original Estimate for the Moodiapully Bridge in Salem, and that the District Engineer has accordingly been requested to forward with the least possible delay a copy of the order of Government quoted by him in his letter of the 8th January 1857.

Central Office 4th
Fort St. George
5th February 1857.

C. Harnell Lieut.
Asst. to the Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

No 503.

From the
District Engineer
of Salem

To The Chief Engineer & Sec.
Fort St George

Sir,

3. Enc: I have the honor to forward the accompanying Plan and Estimate, amounting to Rupees 2,400-0-0 / for constructing a bridge at Vodiapully near Shtod on the Salem, and Cuddalore road.-

X 2d Jany/52 The amount already sanctioned is Rupees 1332-0-0; the additional Sum Rs 1068 is required for increasing the foundations, and waterway of the Bridge; which / the former especially / were insufficiently provided for in Lieutenant Wilkerson's Estimate I propose however reverting to Lieutenant Wilkerson's site, as by so doing the necessity of taking up any valuable cultivated land will be avoided, and the foundations required for it will not be much more expensive, than for the other sites proposed by the Superintending Engineer I shall, with the permission of the Chief Engineer, direct

Lieut

Lieutenant Clay to commence operations at once with the 900 Rupees, which have been allowed for expenditure in the current half year.-

Dr Expended
Salem 2 Jan 1857

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Dr Engr

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Asst Engr

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Public (roads) [New Work]

Abstract of Estimate № of 185 .5

Road №

District Salem.

Work. Constructing a Bridge of two Arches 25 feet span each across the Cootaum river in the limits of Woodiapatty

Quantities	Description of Work	Rate Rs/m	As.	P.	Amount Rupees	Amount for each part Rupees
Cubic Yds						
	Rough Stone work.					
517	Cubic Yards Rough Stone work (at per Cy)	"	8	"	259	
	Rough Stone Jelly				20	
	Arch work					
69	Cubic Yards Brick in chunam. (two Arches) — per Cy	2	8	"	172	
186½	Cubic Yards. Brick in chunam — per Cy	2	4	"	1095	
5400	Superfl. Plastering — per Spre	1	8	"	81	
	Excavating foundation				60	
	Centering				250	
	Baling				20	
	Earth work to approaches including rough stone revetment				117	
	4 Guard Stones				4	2078
	Sundries					172
	Contingencies					150
	Total Company's Rupees					2400
	Deduct Remaining on balance Contract Estimate					1332
						Rupees 1068

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George
21 January 1857.

Lieut Colonel
Chief Engineer D.P.W.

Enclosure in a Letter from the Chief Engineer &c
Secretary to Government
Dated 21st January 1857
Public Works Department

Copy of an Estimate submitted by the Executive Engineer Salem Division for the Construction of a Bridge across the Cootaum river at Woodiapatty in the Salem District.

PWD

N° 601

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 7th April 1857.

Read the following
papers

From the Chief Engineer.

Received under 24th January 1857
N° 9727.

Extract from the Proc: of
the Chief Engineer-

Received under 27th July 1857
N° 10500.

The Chief Engineer
was requested to draw an Offi-
-cial Memorandum
of the Secretary's dated
3d Feby. Ultimo, to point out
the correct date of the
sanction granted for the
original Estimate for
the Wadiapully Bridge,
as that 12th January 1852
quoted in his letter of

Received & Consultation
the Chief Engineer
Dated 3d February 1857

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works & Salt Department, under date the 27th July 1857.

Read the following papers.

From the Chief Engineer, dated 24th January 1857, No. 9727.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 27th July 1857, No. 10500.

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till this be done the
supplemental Estimate
submitted with his
communication of the
21 January cannot
be sanctioned.

RD

9 Copies to the Chief Engr
with 2 Brigd. Engrs Offices.

Mr
Com. 12th Sept. 57. No. 1154
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Public Works 1857 Dept.
Dy to Com. 7th April

No. 601.

Extract Minute of Com.
Dated 1st April 57.

From Chief Engr. 30th March 57.
Est. 887 inch. 26

From Chief Engr.
Dated 4th Dec. 61 C No. 2834
inc. Pro.

Observing that until the Correct date of the Sanction granted for the original Estimate for the Wadi Safsaf Bridge is found out the Supplemental Estimate now Submitted cannot be Sanctioned.

No. 13 to 75.

Dy. Com. 12 Sept. 57