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No. 3. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer ; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 1st April 1857, No. 11449.

SIR,

I have the honor to state for the information of Government that in a letter No. 36, dated 10th February 1857 the Collector of North Arcot was requested to explain the cause of delay in furnishing the information called for in para. 11 of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 2318, dated 16th December 1856, communicated in Extract from Proceedings No. 9099 of the 23rd Idem, respecting the benefit to be derived from the proposed supplying channel from the Cheyaur main channel to the Sheautavanta tank.

2. The Collector in his reply* states that the required information was forwarded to the Acting District Engineer on the 5th Ultimo, and points out that the delay is attributable to the neglect of the Department in his office, through which the information was to be obtained.

*Letter No. 65, dated 5th Ultimo.

3. On the 13th Ultimo, in a letter No. 10916, the Acting District Engineer was requested to expedite the submission to the Central office of the information received from the Collector.

4. The estimate† for the proposed supplying channel amounted to Rupees (3,270) three thousand two hundred and seventy, and as shown in the Collector's statement, forwarded by the Acting District Engineer with his letter No. 375, dated 18th Ultimo the expected increase of cultivation, and Revenue will be as follows.

†Forwarded to Government, with report R. 1st November 1856, No. 7728.

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Total cultivation and Revenue under tanks...	53	1	12	406	10	8

5. In addition to the above the Collector notes in the Remark column of the Statement, that about 46 cawnies of land, bearing an Assessment of Rupees (669-8-11) six hundred, and sixty-nine, annas eight and pice eleven, under a certain channel in the limits of Sheautavanta Village will be brought under cultivation by irrigation from the Sheautavanta tank, so that in round numbers the total probable increase of cultivation may be taken at (99) ninety-nine cawnies, and of Revenue at Rupees (1,076) one thousand, and seventy-six being fully (33) thirty-three, per cent. on the proposed expenditure.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, No. 872; dated 6th May 1857.

On the 1st November last, the Chief Engineer sent up an estimate with his Report, marked R, for a channel from the Bridge near Mokoor tank, over the Cheyaur main channel, to the Sheauttavunna tank, in the North Arcot district. The information then furnished as to the existence of lands capable of being converted into Nunjah by the proposed channel, and as to the probable increase of revenue, was based solely on the authority of Merassidars and Monegars respectively, and as it did not appear that the Collector was consulted on the subject, the Government deferred* sanction to the estimate until that Officer's report on the points above noticed should be laid before them.

Extract Minutes Consultation 16th December 1856, No. 2318, para. 11.

2. With his present letter, the Chief Engineer submits letters from the Collector and Acting District Engineer, together with a statement prepared by the former Officer, from which it is observed that 99 cawnies of land will eventually be brought under cultivation by means of the proposed channel, and that the increase of revenue expected in consequence, is Rupees 1,076, or 33 per cent. on the proposed expenditure.

3. From the information thus furnished, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council entertains no doubt of the utility of the proposed work ; and he is accordingly pleased to sanc-

tion it for entry in the Budget of 1858-59, at the estimated cost of Rupees (3,270) three thousand, two hundred and seventy.

4. The Collector of North Arcot, in replying to the Chief Engineer's letter calling for explanation as to the cause of delay in furnishing the information respecting the benefit to be derived from the work now sanctioned, points out that the delay is attributable to the neglect of some Department in his office through which the information was to be obtained; but the Government must observe that much of the blame thrown upon his office rests properly with the Collector.

5. In all well regulated offices, a list of unanswered letters is weekly submitted to the head of the office, and had this arrangement been adopted by Mr. Whittingham, it is impossible that the delay now complained of could have occurred.

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

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Public Works Department
No. 872.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 6th April 1857.

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J.B.

The Chief Engr
Civil Engr
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Public Works 1857 Dept.
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Dated 6th May 57.

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Sanctioning, for entry in the Budget of 1855/57, an Estimate Rs. 3290 for a Channel from the Bridge near Makoon tank, over the Cheyaur Main Channel, to the Sheauttavanna tank, in the North Arcot District.

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