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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 12th May 1857.

No. 80. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 22nd April 1857, No. 11980.

Read the following Extract Minutes Consultation Public Works Department.

Observations on the explanation afforded by the Collector of Cuddapah regarding the delay in repairing the Yerragoontlah Cottah large Tank. } (Here enter 20th April 1857, No. 722.)

Resolved to inform the Government with reference to para. 2 of the Extract Minutes Consultation No. 722, of the 20th April, that so far from the neglect of the Yerragoontlah Cottah Tank of the Cuddapah District having been "allowed to be nine months in the Central Office" the orders of Government No. 696 of the 14th May 1856, were in point of fact, communicated to the Collector and District Engineer of Cuddapah in Extract Proceedings (drafted on the 19th May and actually dispatched) on the 22nd Idem No. 3456. The order of Government in question was not delivered in the Central office until the 17th of May, so that between the receipt and actual dispatch the interval was only 5 days instead of 9 months; and the Chief Engineer is respectfully of opinion that as he knows not of a single failure in forwarding the instructions of Government to the functionaries concerned since the formation of the Central office he might fairly have expected that his innocence should have been assumed rather than his guilt, his fulfilment instead of his neglect of public duty; or, that, at least, enquiry might have preceded accusation.

2. Resolved also to forward a copy of Extract Minutes Consultation No. 722 of 20th April 1857 for the information of the Collector and District Engineer of Cuddapah.

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

No. 81. ORDER THEREON, No. 911; dated 12th May 1857.

The Chief Engineer explains that the order of Government dated 14th May 1856, No. 696, was communicated to the Collector and District Engineer of Cuddapah on the 22nd Idem, and that therefore there was no delay of nine months as observed in para. 2 of Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 20th April 1857, No. 722.

2. From the para. alluded to, the Chief Engineer must have understood that the Government, were led to make the observation from the Collector quoting the 17th of February 1857, as the date of the Assistant Chief Engineer's communication, calling for the information demanded by Government on the 14th of May 1856, and as the letter in which this date was quoted was submitted by the Chief Engineer without any remark, the Government supposed that Mr. Murray's assertion was correct. Even now Colonel Faber does not offer any explanation of the matter, and the Government are therefore precluded from further noticing it at present.

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

O.W.D.

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No. 911

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 12th May 1857.

Read the following
Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief
Engineer.

(Here enter 22nd Appl. page 11980).

The Chief Engineer explains that
the order of Government
dated 14th January 1856 No. 696
was communicated
to the Collectors and
District Engineers of
Cuddapah on the
22nd June, and that

therefore there was no delay of nine months as observed in para 2 of Cy: Mins: of Couns: dated 20th Apl: /57 No. 722.

2. From the para alluded to the Chief Engineer must have understood that the Govt. were led to make the observations from the Collector quoting the 17th of Feby /57 as the date of the offcl: Chief-Engineer's comm. =unication, calling for the information demanded by Govt. on the 14th of May 1856, and the letter in which this date was quoted was submitted

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9 Copies to the Chief Engr. Oct. 13.

Public Works 1857 Depto.
Coms 12th May.

No 911.

Extract Mins of Coms:
Dy 12th May 57.

Passing orders on the observations of the Chief Engr in defence of his neglect, in repairing the Yerrasoontah Cattah tank, in the Cuddapah District.

No 80 to 87.

Coms May 29