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From

H. FORBES, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.

To

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL W. E. BAKER,
Secretary to the Government of India, D. P. W.

SIR,

The Budget of 1855-56, contained an item for four Bridges on the road from Tindivanum to Trinomally in the District of South Arcot viz., over the Tondyaur, Tooringeelaur, Gingee and Varaganutty rivers, estimated at Rupees 10,998, and sanctioned by this Government on the 24th February 1855.

2. The first two of the above bridges were estimated at Rupees 1,637 and 1,308 respectively, but the Chief Engineer has now reported that the works were completed at a cost of Rupees 2,187 and 1,689, or Rupees 931 in excess of the estimates. This excess is stated to have been caused mainly by insufficiency of the rates and other errors in the first estimates. Bills for the works have been called for, which on their receipt will be sanctioned by Government. The fourth bridge across the Varaganutty, it is stated, will be completed within the estimated amount.

3. It is only in respect to the third or Gingee bridge that this Government have now occasion to address the Government of India. The defects pointed out in the two estimates above noticed are stated to exist in a greater degree in that submitted for this bridge, and the Chief Engineer illustrates the same by a comparative statement, (a copy of which accompanies) shewing the estimate at first forwarded for the work, and that which ought to have been prepared. The latter amounts to Rupees 8,008, from which being deducted Rupees 4,408, the amount formerly sanctioned, there remains a sum of Rupees 3,600, for which the Chief Engineer now solicits sanction, in view to the completion of the bridge.

4. The estimates referred to are reported to have been prepared by Lieutenant Hessey, and were laid before Government by the late Board of Public Works, in whose office the errors now pointed out ought certainly to have been detected. It would serve no useful purpose however at the present moment to call for explanation on the subject, and as the necessity for the additional expenditure of Rupees 3,600 required for completing the Gingee bridge is obvious, I am directed to solicit the early sanction of the Government of India to the outlay, the same being in excess of that which this Government can sanction, under No. I. of the Rules communicated in your letter of the 1st August 1856, No. 3605.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

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

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To

Lieutenant Colonel W.E. Baker.
Secretary to the Government
of India.

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Fort St. George
14th May 1857

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To
The Secretary to the
Govt of India. D. P. W.
Dated 14th May 157.

Soliciting the Sanction of the Govt of India, for an addl expenditure of Rs 3600, required for completing the Gingee Bridge in the South Arcot District.

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