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## *Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 19th May 1857.*

No. 28. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 6th May 1857, No. 126.

SIR,

1. With a letter No. 371, dated 4th November 1856, the Acting Collector of Ganjam forwarded a plan and estimate, for a new Flagstaff at Gopaulpoor or Munsoorcottah, observing that the old mast, and yards were so far gone, that it was not considered economy to put them up again, and suggesting, that a hollow iron lower mast with iron stays, would be more lasting, and economical, than wood, and rope.

Acting Collector of Ganjam's letter No. 371, dated 4th November 1856, } copies
District Engineer of do do „ 948, „ 30th October „ }

Acting Collector of Ganjam's letter No. 384, dated 13th November. „
Chief Engineer's Proceedings „ 8490, „ 29th „ „
Marine Board's letter „ 3116, „ 20th December 1856.
Chief Engineer's Proceedings „ 9305, „ 6th January 1857.
Marine Board's letter „ 3115, „ 20th December 1856.
Chief Engineer's Proceedings „ 9345, „ 8th January 1857.
District Engineer Ganjam's letter „ 56, „ 16th do „
do do „ „ 55, „ 17th do „
Chief Engineer's Proceedings „ 10220, „ 11th February „
do do „ 10166, „ 10th do „
Marine Board's letter „ 832, „ 24th do „
Chief Engineer's Proceedings „ 10676, „ 5th March „
Marine Board's letter „ 1278, „ 6th April „
2 Estimates with sketch
1 Plan.

2. In para. 2 of his letter, the Acting Collector further observed, that he had already sent to the Marine Board an Indent for a set of Marryat's signals, and had requested them, should they not be able to pass the same, to refer the matter to Government.

3. A copy of the foregoing letter, with one* from the District Engineer of Ganjam, together, with the plan and estimate, were forwarded with Extract from Proceedings No. 8457, dated 28th November 1856, for the opinion of the Marine Board.

* No. 948, dated 30th October 1856.

4. Again on the 13th November 1856, with a letter No. 384, the Acting Collector forwarded a plan and estimate for a Flagstaff at Calingapatam, observing, that though the present beacon was most valuable, it was useless as a means of communicating with the shipping, in consequence of its being nearly 2 miles from the port, and suggesting, that a set of Marryat's signals, might be purchased out of the estimate, were dammer wood used for the masts, in lieu of teak.

5. A copy of this communication was also forwarded with the plan and estimate, for the opinion of the Marine Board, with Extract from Proceedings No. 8499, dated 29th November 1856.

6. The Marine Board in their reply,* entered a Memorandum of the Vessels which had been at Calingapatam during the last three years, and which had paid port dues, and as the number was shewn to be yearly increasing, they expressed their opinion of the necessity of establishing a Flagstaff at that port, with signals for communicating with the shipping. The Board further gave preference to teak being used for the lower mast, but objected to the plan, which was therefore returned to the District Engineer for revision, with Extract from Proceedings No. 9305, dated 6th January 1857.

* No. 3116, dated 20th December 1856.

7. In their letter No. 3115, dated 20th December 1856, in reply to Extract from Proceedings No. 8457, of the 28th November 1856, the Marine Board stated that their remarks on the Flagstaff proposed for Calingapatam, equally applied to the one proposed for Munsoorcottah, and the plan and estimate for the latter were therefore also returned to the District Engineer for revision, with Extract from Proceedings No. 9345, dated 8th January 1857.

8. A revised plan and estimate for the Flagstaff at Munsoorcottah were forwarded by the District Engineer with his letter No. 56, dated 16th January 1857, and those for the Staff at Calingapatam on the 17th Idem, with a letter No. 55. The revised plans and estimates with the letters which accompanied them, were respectively forwarded to the Marine Board, with Extract from Proceedings Nos. 10220, and 10166, dated 11th and 10th February 1857, and in the former, the Board were requested to supply the required information as to the cost of the

rigging on account of which, as it could not be procured in the District, the items in the estimates were left blank.

9. In their letter No. 832, dated 24th February 1857, in reply to Extract from Proceedings No. 10220, of the 11th Idem, the Marine Board requested a reference to their communication of the 20th December 1856, No. 3116, on the subject of the Staff for Calingapatam, and stated, that on the receipt of the revised plan called for, they would furnish a Memorandum of the cost of the rigging.

10. In reply* to this, the Marine Board were informed, that the revised plan had been forwarded to them with Extract from Proceedings No. 10166, dated 10th February 1857.

* Extract from Proceedings No. 10676, dated 5th March 1857.

11. In their final letter No. 1278, dated 6th Instant, the Board express their approval of the revised plan and estimates for the Flag Staves at both Munsoorcottah and Calingapatam, and furnish a rough sketch to show how they should be fitted; the cost of the rigging being given at Rupees 130. This item has therefore been added to each of the estimates and which I have now the honor to submit under Clause 2 of Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 696, dated 18th October 1855, with my recommendation, that they may be sanctioned for immediate execution, considering it of the greatest importance that both the port in question, should have the means of communicating with the shipping.

12. The cost of Marryat's signals has not been entered in the estimates, as I conclude they will be furnished on indent by the Marine Board.

13. The estimate for the Flagstaff at Munsoorcottah amounts to Rupees (920) nine hundred and twenty, and that for the Staff at Calingapatam, to Rupees (900) nine hundred.

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No. 29. ORDER THEREON, No. 934; dated 15th May 1857.

Ordered to be referred to the Marine Department for consideration.

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

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"Marine"
Flag Staves.

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Central Office of R.W.
No 126 Fort St. George 6th May 1837.

From
The Chief Engineer
To
The Secretary to Government
R.W. Department.

Sir.

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Enclosures 13

A.J. Collector of Ganjam's Letter No 371 dated 4th Novr/56
Dist.t Engineer of —do— — — 9401 — 30 — Oct.r —
Acting Collr of Ganjam's Letter — 384 — 13th Novr —
Chief Engrs Proceedings — 8299 — 29 — — —
Marine Board's letter — 3116 — 20 Decr/56.
Chief Engineers Proceedings — 9305 — 6 Janr/57.
Marine Board's Letter No 3115 dated 20th Decr/56.
Chief Engineers Proceedings — 9345 — 8 Janr/57.
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2. In para 2 of his letter, the Acting Collector further observed, that he had already sent to the Marine Board an Indent for a set of Marryat's signals, and had requested them, should they not be able to pass the same, to refer the matter to Government.

No 9401/30 Octr/56

3. A copy of the foregoing letter, with one from the District Engineer of Ganjam, together with the Plan and Estimate, were forwarded with

with Extract from Proceedings No 8257, dated 28th November 1836 for the opinion of the Marine Board.

4.- Again on the 13th November 1836, with a letter No 394 the acting Collector forwarded a plan and Estimate for a Flag staff at Calingapatam observing, that tho' the present beacon was most valuable, it was useless as a means of communicating with the shipping in consequence of its being nearly 2 miles from the Port, and suggesting, that a set of Marryats signals might be purchased out of the Estimate were dammer wood used for the masts, in lieu of teak.

5.- A Copy of this communication was also forwarded with the Plan and Estimate, for the opinion of the Marine Board, with Extract from Proceedings No 8299, dated 29th November 1836.

6.- The Marine Board in their reply, entered a Memorandum of the Vessels which had been at Calingapatam during the last three years and which had paid Port dues, and as the number was shewn to be yearly increasing, they expressed their opinion of the necessity of establishing a Flag staff at that Port, with signals for communicating with the Shipping. The Board further gave preference to teak being used for the lower mast, but objected to the Plan, which was therefore returned to the District Engineer for revision with Extract from Proceedings No 9305, dated 6th January 1837.-

No

No 316 dated 20th December 1836



7.- In their letter No 3115, dated 28th December 1836 in reply to Extract from Proceedings No 8257, of the 28th November 1836, the Marine Board stated that their remarks on the Flag staff proposed for Calingapatam, equally applied to the one proposed for Munsoorcottah, and the Plan and Estimate for the latter were therefore also returned to the District Engineer for revision, with Extract from Proceedings No 9345, dated 8th January 1837.

8.- A revised Plan and Estimate for the Flag staff at Munsoorcottah were forwarded by the District Engineer with his letter No 56, dated 16 January 1837, and those for the staff at Calingapatam on the 17 idem, with a letter No 55.- The revised Plans and Estimates, with the letters which accompanied them, were respectively forwarded to the Marine Board, with Extracts from Proceedings Nos 10220, and 10166, dated 11, and 10 February 1837, and in the former, the Board were requested to supply the required information as to the cost of the rigging, on account of which, as it could not be procured in the District, the items in the Estimates were left blank.

9.- In their letter No 832, dated 24th February 1837, in reply to Extract from Proceedings No 10220, of the 11 idem, the Marine Board requested a reference to their communication of the 28th December 1836, No 3116, on the subject of the staff for Calingapatam, and stated, that on the receipt of the revised Plan called for,

they

they would furnish a Memorandum of the cost of the rigging.

10. In reply to this, the Marine Board were informed, that the revised Plan had been forwarded to them with Extract from Proceedings No 1066, dated 10th February 1837. Extract from Proceedings No 1678 dated 5th March 1837

11. In their final letter No 1378, dated 6 Instant, the Board express their approval of the revised Plan and Estimates for the Flag Staves at both Munsoorcottah and Calingapatam, and furnish a rough sketch to shew how they should be fitted, the cost of the rigging being given at Rupees 130... this item has therefore been added to each of the Estimates, and which I have now the honor to submit under Clause 2, of Extract Minutes of Consultation No 696, dated 18th October 1835, with my recommendation, that they may be sanctioned for immediate execution, considering it of the greatest importance, that both the Ports in question, should have the means of communicating with the shipping..

12. The cost of Marryats Signals has not been entered in the Estimates, as I conclude they will be furnished on Indent by the Marine Board..

13. The Estimate for the Flag Staff at Munsoorcottah amounts to Rupees (920) Nine hundred and twenty, and that for the Staff at Calingapatam, to Rupees (900) Nine hundreds..

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt Servant
W. Lester Colonel
Chief Engineer

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St George
6th May — 1837.

Ult
22d Sept 1837 R.C.

Nos 28 & 29.

Public Works 1837 Dept.
Dto to Bmbay 19th May.
No. 932

From the Chief Engineer
& the Secretary to Government
R.W. Department.

Dated 6th May 1837.
Recd 8th do

12 Enclosures.
E. M. C. 9 April 1837 No 628
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Extract from the Minutes of Counc.
in the Marine Dept. 2 May
1857 C. No 1093 in 9 Inwards under Clause 2
of Exc: Mine Cons: No 696 dated
18th October 1835 two Estimates
amounting to Rupees 920 and
Rupees 900 respectively for
Flag staves at the Ports of
Mussowrestlah and Calingapatam
in the Ganjam District, and recom-
mending the same for immediate
execution. — No 934. 15th May
Wm Anderson

No. 934

Ordered to be referred
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for consideration.

F. W. St. George
15th May 1857

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