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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1124 Press Mis.

Dated 4-2-37 1837

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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 20th July 1858.

No. 89. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 13th July 1858, No. 1924.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government, with reference to the Extract Minutes Consultation dated the 26th Ultimo, No. 1215, that the Annual Progress Reports for the past Official Year 1857-58, have not as yet been received in the Central Office from the District Engineers of Tanjore and Coimbatore, while those for Canara were received only on the 8th Instant.

Dated 25th June 1858 No. 53.
do. 10th July 1858 No. 66.
To be obligingly returned.

I beg to submit the letters noted in the margin received from the District Engineer of Tanjore who explains the cause of the delay, viz. the non-receipt by him of certain returns required from the Collector. The District Engineer of Coimbatore has not in any manner adverted to the returns required from him although he was addressed on the subject on the 12th May, 18th June and 5th July.

The General Report has not however been delayed in the Central Office for want of these returns, and considerable progress having been made towards its completion, I hope to be able to submit the same before the end of the present month, if in the mean time the returns wanting are received the General Return will be complete, but if otherwise it will be only so far so as the information in the Central Office may be available regarding the expenditure on Public Works in those Districts.

Letter from Major W. J. BIRDWOOD, District Engineer, Tanjore; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 25th June 1858, No. 53.

SIR,

18th June 1858, No. 1275.

In reply to your letter marginally noted pointing out the dealy which I am aware has taken place, in transmitting the Annual Progress Reports for the District of Tanjore for 1857-58, I have the honor to inform you, that I only received the necessary papers from the Collecter for the preparation of the same on the 23rd Instant.

It shall however now be forwarded with all despatch.

Letter from Major W. J. BIRDWOOD, District Engineer of Tanjore; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Tranquebar 10th July 1858, No. 66.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from your proceedings dated the 3rd Instant, No. 1641.

It is true that the Collector has furnished me with his Progress Reports &c, up to the end of December last, but there are other Statements still required from him to enable me to complete the Annual Progress Report viz.

1. Statement of the new works below 2,000 Rupees included in the monthly Progress Reports.
2. Classification of the Expenditure for repairs up to the end of December last, under the Heads given in the Circular No. VII. of the 12th May last.
3. Statement of Remunerative works.

These Statements have not as yet been received though applications were made on the 15th June and 2nd, 5th and 10th Instants, and I regret that the Annual Progress Report will have to be delayed until the receipt of the same.

No. 90. ORDER THEREON, No. 1403; dated 19th July 1858.

The Officiating Chief Engineer reports with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 26th June 1858, requiring the submission of the Progress Report for 1857-58 by the 15th of this month, that the delay in the completion of the document is owing to the non-receipt of

Engineer

progress having been made towards its completion. I hope to be able to submit the same before the end of the present month; if in the mean time the returns wanting are received the General Return will be complete, but if otherwise it will be only so far as the information in the Central Office may be available pertaining the expenditure on Public Works in those Districts

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant

Central Office of PWD
Simla 13th July

Officiating Chief Engineer

Compd JMC

Causes of delay in transmission of Progress Reports for the Post Office circle of Poona for the year 1857-58.

No. 1403

Poona Military Accounts Office
1st July 1858

I have the honor to report for the information of the Accountant General, that the Progress Report for the Poona Post Office circle for the year 1857-58 has been delayed in transmission from this office in consequence of the Postmaster General's Office not having furnished the necessary information in time.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signature illegible)
Officiating Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

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Officiating Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

Dated 13th July 1858
Received 14th July 1858
2 Encls returned on the 19th July
No. 1403 - 19th July
No. 1924

(Reporting the cause of the delay in the transmission of the Progress Reports for the Poona Post Office circle for the year 1857-58.

No. 89.

Engineers of Tanjore and Coim-
batore. He perused Officer
explaining that certain state-
ments required from the
Collector have not yet been
furnished by him and the
latter Officer does not appear
to have sent in any explana-
tions whatever on the subject.

2. He observes in com-
cluding reasons to call the attention
of the Madras Government to the
necessity of his giving at
an early date all the in-
formation which Major
Burwood may require from
him to prepare the Progress
Reports on the general
report for the Presidency
should be transmitted to
the Government of India
at

at an early date. The Officiating
Chief Engineer will call upon
the District Engineer of Coim-
batore by Telegraph to re-
port immediately further
information of Government
what the cause of the delay
on his part is and submit
his reply to Government.

3. It is important to make
the Report in question complete by
closing it before the returns
of the districts alluded to are
received in the manner pro-
posed by Major Sandford
such a course will deprive
it of much of its usefulness

A Copies to the Chief Engr.
Civil Dept.
Collr. of Tanjore

Recd. July 15 ex. 60 & 61
25 Aug 57 - 131 & 132.

Public Works 1855 Dept.
Dt. to Govt 20th July.

C. No 1403

Extract Collins of Govt.
Dt 19th July 58.
From the Offg. Chief Engr. &c
Dept 32 dated July 58 C. No. 1034 inclo.
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Calling the attention of the Collector of Tanjore to the necessity of his giving, at an early date, with the information which Major Birdwood may require from him to prepare the progress part. Major Lamford to require the Dy. Engr. of Coimbatore to explain what the cause of this delay is on his part in furnishing the required returns.

No. 89 & 90.