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No. 104. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Superintending Engineer, Southern Circle, in charge of Central Office P. W.; to W. H. BAYLEY, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 18th June 1858, No. 1254.

SIR,

With reference to Extract from Minutes of Consultation, No. 1413, dated the 23rd July last, I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, an estimate amounting to Rupees (210) two hundred and ten, for the restoration of a small Tank on the west side of the Royacottah Hill, adjoining the Fort wall, in the District of Salem.

2. The estimate though dated the 7th October 1857, did not reach this office until the 11th Instant, and the cause of its detention is explained by the Collector in the accompanying copy of his letter No. 80, dated 7th Instant.

3. The great object of restoring this Tank being to improve the supply of drinking-water for the inhabitants of the Fort, who are not in a condition to contribute towards its restoration, I beg to strongly recommend that sanction be accorded to the above estimate for carrying the work into immediate execution.

Letter from H. A. BRETT, Esq., Collector of Salem; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 7th June 1858, No. 80.

SIR,

* Dated 17th October 1857.

I have the honor to transmit with my countersignature an estimate amounting to Rupees 210 (with Report* and Abstract) for restoring a small Tank at Royacottah.

2. This work was inspected by the Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle and his observations were recorded in his Journal from the 14th to 20th June 1857, circulated with Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 23rd July 1857, No. 1413.

3. The Moottadar of Royacottah, within whose limits the Tank is situated, has deposed that he is willing to relinquish his claims to the lands forming the bed of the Tank on the Government allowing him a reduction in his Peshcush to the extent of Rupees 8-7-3 the assignment of the fields.

4. I have accordingly this day addressed the Board of Revenue, requesting them to obtain the sanction of Government for remitting the aforesaid sum of Rupees 8-7-3 from the annual Peshcush of the Royacottah Moottah.

5. The estimate has been detained in my office, pending a correspondence with the Moottadar and a search for the survey accounts.

Letter from Lieutenant T. E. GAHAGAN, District Engineer of Salem; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Oossoor, 8th June 1858, No. 112.

SIR,

Requesting me to cite the number and date of the letter with which I forwarded to the Central Office an estimate for restoring the old Tank in the Royacottah Fort.

In reply to the Superintending Engineer's Memo. No.—of the 3rd Instant, (subject as per margin,) I have the honor to inform you, that the estimate in question (amounting to *Rupees* 210) was sent to the Collector of Salem on the 24th October 1857, with the request that he would countersign and forward it to you.

2. I have just ascertained that the estimate is still in the Collector's office, having been detained there pending the settlement of the Royacottah Mootahdar's claim for compensation, on account of the bed of the Tank which he at present cultivates.

3. The Mootahdar's claim has been satisfactorily settled, and there is not, the Collector informs me, any other objection to the restoration of the Tank, I have therefore requested the Collector to transmit the estimate to you without further delay.

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

Report to accompany an Estimate for repairing a small Tank, under the wall of Rayacottah Fort.

1. Amount of estimate Rupees (210) two hundred and ten comprising the following items:

498	Cubic yards earth-work at 1 anna...	31	2 0
328¾	Ditto stone-work at 6 annas	123	4 0
	Removing Pricklypear-bushes on the bund	35	10 0
	Superintendence and Sundries	20	0 0
	Total Company's Rupees.....	210	0 0

2. The object of restoring this Tank is to improve the supply of water for the inhabitants of the Fort of Royacottah, who addressed a Petition on the subject to the Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle on the 20th of June last, Vide Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1413, of the 23rd July last, which contains an Extract from the Superintending Engineer's Journal ("Royacottah," paras. 5 and 6) from the 14th to the 20th June 1857.

3. I may here observe, that the people in the Fort had collected among themselves a small sum for clearing and deepening their Bhowry, and were working away at it, when I visited the place in September. They are too poor to contribute towards the restoration of the Tank.

District Engineer's Office, Salem, 17th October 1857.

(Signed) T. E. GAHAGAN, Lieutenant,
District Engineer of Salem.

No. 105. ORDER THEREON, No. 1411; dated 20th July 1858.

The Governor in Council sanctions out of the one lac fund, the estimate submitted with the above letter, amounting to Rupees (210) two hundred and ten, for the restoration of a small Tank on the west side of the Royacottah Hill, adjoining the Fort-wall, in the District of Salem.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Report to accompany an Estimate for repairing a small Tank under the wall of Rayacottah Fort.

1. Amount of Estimate Rupees (210—0—0) two hundred and ten comprising the following items.

498 Cub: Yards Earth work at 1 Anna 31—2—0

328¾ Ditto Stone work at 6 annas 123—4—0

Removing Prickly pear bushes in the bund 35—10—0

Superintendence and Sundries 20—0—0

Total Company's Rs 210—0—0

2. The object of restoring this Tank is to improve the supply of water for the inhabitants of the Fort of Royacottah, who addressed a Petition on the subject to the Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle on the 20th of June last, Vide C. Mc. C. No 1413 of the 23d July last, which contains an Extract from the Superintending Engineer's Journal "Royacottah" paras 5 and 6)

From

From the 14th to the 20th June 1857.

3. I may here observe that the people in the Fort had collected among themselves a small sum for clearing and deepening their Quarry, and were working away at it, when I visited the place in September. They are too poor to contribute towards the subsistence of their Family.

District Engineers Office, Salem 17th October 1857

(Signed) J. C. Gallagher Lt.
District Engineer
of Salem.

(True Copy)

Lt. [illegible]
Superintending Engineer,
Straits Settlements
in charge of Central Office,
Public Works.

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No. 80. I.

From

H. A. Brett Esquire
Collector of Salem

To

Colonel C. G. Faber
Chief Engineer D.P.W.
Fort Saint George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith my countersignature an Estimate amounting to Rupees 210-0-0 / with Report and Abstract / for restoring a breach in the Tank at Royacottah.

2 This work was inspected by the Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle and his observations were recorded in his Journal from the 14th to 20th June 1857, circulated with Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 23d July 1857, No. 1413.

3 The Monigar of Royacottah, within whose limits the tank is situated, has deposed that he is willing to relinquish his claims to the lands forming the bed of the tank on the Government allowing him a reduction in his Peishcush to the extent of Rupees 8-7-3 the

assignment

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assignment of the fields.

4 I have accordingly this day ordered the Board of Revenue, requesting them to obtain the sanction of Government for remitting the aforesaid sum of Rupees 8-1-3 from the annual Peishcush of the Rajacottah Mootah.

5 The Cabinah has been destroyed in my Office, pending a correspondence with the Mootahdar and a search for the Survey accounts.

Salem Coll^{r} Office
Coffoor 1st June 1858

I have the honor to be &c.
(Sig^{d}) H. A. Brett
Collector

True Copy
Lee
Supt^{g} Engineer & Surveyor
of the Central Division of P. W.

No 112.

From

The District Engineer

of Salem

To

The Chief Engineer

in the D. P. W.

Fort Saint George

Sir,

In reply to the Superintending Engineer's Memo. No — of the 3rd Instant / subjoint as per margin / I have the honor to inform you that the Estimate in question / amounting to Rupees 210 / was sent to the Collector of Salem on the 24th Octr. 185[illegible], with the request that he would countersign and forward it to you.—

Requesting me to state the number and date of the letter with which forwarded to the Central Office an Estimate for restoring the old tank in the Royacottah Fort.

2 I have just ascertained that the Estimate is still in the Collector's Office, having been detained there pending the settlement of the Royacottah Mootahdar's claim for compensation on account of the bed of the tank which he at present cultivates.—

3 The Mootahdar's claim has been satisfactorily settled, and there is now, the Collector informs

informs me, any other objection to the construction of the Tanks, I have therefore requested the Collector to transmit the Estimate to you without further delay.—

I have the honor to be &c.
(Sig.d) J. E. Carnegy Lieut.
District Engineer
of Salem

Dist.t Engr.s Office
Camp Cajeeri
8th June 1858

(True Copy)

Supt.g Engineer & Surveyor in Ch.
of the Central Office of P.W.

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Quarter Office of Pilo
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From
The Superintending Engineer S.C.
in charge of Canada Office Pilo

To
The Secretary to Government of India

Sir,

With reference to Circular from
Office of Consultation dated 11th 13 ultimo
No 2312 Public Works Department
I forward, for submission to Government,
an Estimate amounting to Rupees
20,000 for the construction of two Small Country Boats on the
Western side of the Negapatam Creek
near Pilo Point, to be used in the
conveying the Cork Wood in the
Victoria of a Salvage.

2 The Estimate though called
for by the Collector has not reached
me Office until the 11th Instant.

and the cause of the detention is
explained by the Collector in the
accompanying

1858 Despatch

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Enclosure in Collector's letter dated
Supt. Engr. S. Circle in charge
of the Canada Office of Pilo

To The Secretary to Govt.
Pilo

Dated 18th June 1858.
Received

No 12354

P. W. 1357/58

Copy of a letter from the
District Engr. of Salem, reporting
to the Supt. Engr. Irrama of the
3d Instant with regard to an
Estimate accompanying the Cork Wood
in the Negapatam Fort

accompanying copy of his letter № 80
dated 7th Instant.

3. The great object of restoring
the tank being to improve the supply
of drinking water for the inhabitants
of the Fort, who are not in a condition
to contribute towards its restoration,
I beg to strongly recommend that
Sanction be accorded to the above
Estimate for carrying the work
into immediate execution.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obed. Servt.
Lawford
Lieut. Engr. & Commd. of
Central Division P.W.D.

Fort St George
18th June 1858

To
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

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