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Fort St. George, Public Works Consultation of 2nd February 1858.

No. 52. Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 29th January 1858, No. 170.

In Extract Minutes of Consultation 18th June 1857, No. 1181, the Government desired that Registers of Irrigation works in all the Provinces of this Presidency should be prepared as early as possible, and remarked that such documents would be highly useful to the District Engineers. They fixed a limit of six months from the date of that order within which such Registers should be completed, and required the Chief Engineer to report at the end of that term on the progress that may have been made in their preparation.

2. As the period thus fixed has expired and the Government have not yet received the report called for, they resolve to draw the attention of the Chief Engineer to the above order, and to request that he will without further delay furnish the required report. The Government attach much importance to the speedy completion of these Registers and desire that no means may be left untried to effect that object. It is not improbable that many channels and tanks are out of repair, solely from the authorities being ignorant of their present condition: but if once a printed Statement of Ayacut and Cultivation for a series of years is before the Collector and the District Engineer, any disproportion between the two, or any falling off in past years will at once attract attention, and lead to the application of a remedy.

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

No 170.

From the Chief Engineer 6th January 1868.

Re Order C 18 June 1867 No 1181 the Jail. directed that Registers of Irrigation works in all the Provinces of the Presidency shd be prepared as early as possible & remarked that such documents would be regularly sent to the Director Public Engineer. They fixed a period of two months from the date of that Order within which such Registers shd be completed and required the Chief Engineer to Report at the end of that time on the Progress that may have been made in their preparation

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