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No. 86. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 1st September 1858 No. 3326.

SIR,

In forwarding for the early consideration of Government a letter from the Acting District Engineer of Tanjore,* representing the inadequacy of the amount allowed for repairs of Irrigation Works in that Province, and requesting an additional sum of one lac of Rupees for the current year, I have the honor to express my entire concurrence in Major Boileau's opinion of the necessity of the demand, which is to be inclusive of the sum of Rupees (30,121) thirty thousand four hundred and twenty-one, applied for in my letter of the 5th August last, No. 2558, for emergent repairs of Tanks, Salt Works &c. in the Southern part of that Province.

* Dated 28th August 1858, No. 121.

Letter from Major A. BOILEAU, Officiating District Engineer, Tanjore; to Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer, dated Tranquebar, 28th August 1858, No. 121.

SIR,

With reference to the Budget List No. 3 of 1853-59, sanctioning Rupees 1,99,133 for repairs to this District, I have the honor to submit, a Statement shewing the amount drawn, and expended up to the end of July last, from which it would appear, that there is a balance of only Rupees 7,538-6-1 available for the remaining part of the year.

2. The reasons for so large an amount of expenditure in the three first months of the official year, as is exhibited in the Statement are manifold, and show, that what has been done, is not more than what was actually required, for maintaining the safety of the river banks, and securing the revenue, viz.

1st. The lateness of the period of the transfer of the Executive to this Department which delayed the commencement of most of the repairs (which should have been executed during the past official year) till after the month of May, this bringing the repairs due to the last official year, into the present one.

2nd. The great detriment caused to the embankments of rivers during the high floods in October last, and their restoration in this year.

3rd. The numerous breaches of Tanks and Roads, in the Puttoocottah Talook, consequent on the storm that occurred in the beginning of May last, which are all being now rapidly repaired, under a very large expenditure, and for which, a special sanction of 30,000 Rupees was applied for by Major Birdwood, on the 23rd Ultimo, No. 82.

3. As the above reasons fully account for the large amount of expenditure, that has already taken place, and the available funds are quite insufficient to meet the anticipated expenditure during the remaining 9 months of the official year, I have the honor to apply for a further sanction of Rupees 1,00,000 inclusive of the 30,000 Rupees before alluded to, the amount of emergent repairs to the works in the Puttoocottah Talook.

4. The average of the land Revenue for the last two years, appears to be Rupees 43,52,300, and the amount already sanctioned in this District, for repairs of irrigation works for the current year, viz., Rupees 1,63,500 is at 3¾ per cent., and the one lac now applied for, will increase it to 6 per cent. only while the amount authorized for other Districts, ranges from 12 to 30 per cent., as it appears by page 54 para. 52 of Public Works Budget for 1858-59.

Statement showing the amount drawn from May up to the end of July 1858, and that available for the remaining part of the Official year 1858-59 out of the amount authorized for that year.

				Amount drawn and expended.		
				Rs.	A.	P.
Amount sanctioned for repairs during the year 1858-59				1,99,133	0	0
Amount drawn as follows.	Rs.	A.	P.			
Balance on 1st May 1858	3,891	7	11			
Amount drawn in May	88,605	0	0			
do in June	49,420	0	0			
do in July	36,920	0	0			
	1,78,839	7	11			
Deduct expenditure for New works from May to July	7,235	14	0			
				1,71,603	9	11
Deduct amount of Cheques issued for disbursements during the month of August				27,529	6	1
				19,991	0	0
Net balance to be drawn				7,538	6	1
Amount of expenditure for repairs as follows.						
May	40,727	15	6			
June	55,292	13	6			
July	38,576	8	1			
				1,34,597	5	1
Balance with the Executive Officers				37,006	4	10
Total				1,71,603	9	11

District Engineer's Office
Tranquebar,
28th August 1858.

(Signed) A. BOILEAU,
Officiating District Engineer Tanjore.

No. 87. ORDER THEREON, No. 1881; dated 13th September 1858.

Under the circumstances represented by the Officiating District Engineer of Tanjore, the Government resolve to solicit the sanction of the Government of India to the additional sum of Rupees 1,00,000 applied for by that Officer for repairs to Irrigation works in his District during the current official year.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 88. Ordered in consequence that the following letter be dispatched.

From T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; to Lieutenant Colonel R. STRACHEY, Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, P. W. D., dated 13th September 1858, No. 1882.

SIR,

1. In continuation of my letter of the 13th August last No. 1621, I have the honor, under the orders of the Governor in Council, to submit copy of a letter* from the Officiating Chief Engineer, and of one¶ from the Officiating District Engineer of Tanjore, (with Statement) soliciting the grant of a sum of Rupees 1,00,000 in addition to Rupees 1,03,500 allowed in the Budget of 1858 59 for repairs to works of Irrigation in that District.

* dated 1st September 1858, No. 3326.
¶ dated 28th August 1858, No. 121.

2. The total amount entered in the Budget for repairs to all classes of works in Tanjore was Rupees 1,99,133 of which sum Rupees 1,91,595, have been drawn to the end of August; leaving but Rupees 7,538, and the unexpended balance, available for the remaining eight months of the year, as shewn below.

		Rs.	
Total amount allowed for repairs		1,99,133	
Amount expended during May, June and July	1,34,598		
Do ordered for disbursement during August	19,991		
		1,54,589	
Balance in the hands of Executive Officers		37,006	44,544
Net to be drawn		7,538	

The District Engineer assigns several causes for the large outlay incurred during the first three months of the year, and the chief of them are, the great detriment to the embankments of rivers caused by the high floods in October 1857, and the damages to Tanks and roads occasioned by the storm in May 1858. He states that the funds available are quite insufficient to meet the anticipated expenditure during the remainder of the year, and points out that the amount already allowed for repairs to Irrigation Works &c., Rupees 1,63,500 is 3¾ per cent. on the average Land Revenue of the District for the past two years, and that the additional one Lac now required by him will raise it to 6 per cent. only.

3. The Officiating Chief Engineer expresses his entire concurrence in the necessity of the additional sum asked for by the District Engineer of Tanjore, and the Government being equally satisfied that it is absolutely required for the preservation of the existing Revenue of this important District, desire me to solicit the early sanction of the Government of India, for the outlay.

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George
1st September 1858.

No. 3326

From

The Officiating Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Dept.

Sir,

Public

I have the honor to forward for the early consideration of Government, a letter from the Actg. District Engineer of Tanjore, representing the inadequacy of the amount allowed for Repairs of Irrigation Works in that Province and requesting an additional sum of one Lac of Rupees for the current year.

Dated 28 August 1858
No. 121 —

Enclosures 2
1 Orgl. letter
1 do Statement

I have the honor to express my entire concurrence in Major Boileau's opinion of the necessity of the demand, which is to be inclusive of the sum of one Rupees (30,421) thirty thousand four hundred and twenty one, applied for in my letter of the 5th August last

No.

P.W.D.

A:1881

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 13th September, 1858.

Read the following

letter from the Officiating Chief

Engineer.

/Hereunder 1st September 1858 N:3326/

Under the circum-

stances represented by the

Officiating District Engineer of

Tanjore, the Government resolve

to solicit the sanction of the

Government of India to the

additional sum of Rupees

100,000 applied for by that

Officer for repairs to Irrigation

works in his District during

the current Official year

Ordered that

the following letter be

despatched

Copy of Letter from the Officiating Chief Engineer, dated 1st September 1858.

From

H. Ross Esqr. Officiating Chief Engineer.

To

The Officiating Secretary to Govt.

Public Works Department.

Dated Fort St. George, the 1st September 1858.

No. 3326.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of Government, the accompanying Statement of Repairs to Irrigation works in the Tanjore District, which I propose to execute during the current Official year.

2. The Estimate amounts to Rupees 1,00,000, and I have the honor to solicit the sanction of Government to the expenditure of that sum.

I have &c.

(Signed) H. Ross

Officiating Chief Engineer.

Recorded 2nd September 1858

Dated 1st September 1858

No. 3326

Forwarded to the Officiating Chief Engineer.

By Order &c.

(Signed) H. Ross

Officiating Chief Engineer.

Dated 2nd September 1858.

dispatched.

To
Major R. Strachey
Offg Secy to the Govt of India

10 Copies to the Offg Chief Engr Dated 11th / November 1858 /
No 1882 /

P.W.D.

A° 1882

To

Major R. Strachey

Officiating Secretary to the Government of India

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2. The total amount entered in the Budget for repairs to all classes of works in

A Copies 16 Sept. Dist. to Govt.

× Dated 1st September 1858 No 3326.

◦ Dated 28th August 1858 No 121

Public Works Dept. 1858 No 1442
Dated Camp 14th Sept.

Camp 13th Sept. 58.

To

The Secretary to Govt.

Public Works Dept.

Fort St. George.

Sir,

Tanta Thackeray 13th October 58
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Read this letter to the Board of Revenue for information.

By order of the Governor in Council

Public Department

Sept. 16th 1858

(Signed) R. Strachey

Officiating Secretary to Government

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Total amount allowed for repairs		199133.
Amount expended during May, June and July	134578.	
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		154589.
Balance in the hands of Executive Officers	37006	
Net to be drawn	7538.	44544.

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Fort Saint George
13th September 1858

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To
The Offg Secretary to the
Govt of India D. P. W.
Dated 13th September 1858.
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Soliciting the
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of India for the grant of
an additional Sum of
Rs 1,00,000 for the repairs
of Irrigation works in
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