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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

Read 26th Feb 1858

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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 12th October 1858.

No. 126. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 5th October 1858, No. 4211.

SIR,

With reference to my letter No. 3392 dated 3rd September 1858, I have the honor to forward for submission to Government a Petition from one Annasawmy Moodelly claiming a sum of Rupees 7,278-1-5 alleged to be due to him for work executed to the Mahindravady Channel in North Arcot under the immediate superintendence of Mr. Bush.

2. The work in question was stopped on the 17th July 1857, but the account seems only to have been closed on the 18th December following and it is not explained why so large a balance has been allowed to remain unsettled up to this time.

3. The amount I beg to state exactly agrees with that entered in my letter above quoted as deduced from Mr. Bush's accounts shewing that the Government are debited with heavy sums on works not only unfinished, but which have been stopped for upwards of twelve months.

4. Without stating any opinion as to the cause of this delay in settling his accounts, I think Mr. Bush should be called on for a full explanation of such a very irregular and improper proceeding, and that the account should be carefully scrutinized before the claim is discharged.

Petition from V. ANNASAWMY Moodelly, to the Chief Engineer, Department Public Works, Fort Saint George, dated 2nd October 1858.

HONORED SIR,

I humbly beg to bring to your kind notice that I made a contract to excavate the Mahanravady Channel and executed the work, but I was not paid regularly, so that at the close of the accounts on the 18th December 1857 there remained a balance of Rupees 7,278 annas 1 pice 5 (Rupees seven thousand two hundred and seventy-eight, annas one pice five) due to me, to which amount Mr. T. H. Bush, Assistant Civil Engineer has given me a bill, a copy of which I beg to enclose herein. I often demanded him the sum due to me by the Bill, he makes delay to pay me, telling that he would pay me the sum after his adjustment of accounts with the Government. I am very much troubled by my creditors and also incur a great loss of interest. I therefore humbly beg your honor to be kindly pleased to order the money to be paid to me.

In doing this act of benevolence and justice I shall ever pray.

No. 127. ORDER THEREON, No. 2122; dated 8th October 1858.

The Government direct that the matter referred to in the above letter be enquired into and reported on by the Superintending Engineer, together with the other subjects which are to be investigated by him under orders of Government of this date No. 2121.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Abstract of Examination of Work done with the Mahandra-vady Chanel by V. Annasawmy Moodaly Contractor from Limmist Stone at Pauaty up to Pioneer Road.

		Rs	As	Ps
24762 9/16	Cubic yards of hard Morumboo mixed with Jelly and rough Stone at 7 As ₰ C.Y.	10833	9	11
31568 3/16	— Do — Do. Morumboo at 2 As ₰ C.Y.	3946	"	4
13446 11/16	— Do — Do of Clay soil at 1 As Do.	840	6	8
1030	— Do — Do of Earth at 1 As ₰ C.Y. — Omitted by clerk of errs from soondy Sanction in the last Measurements	64	6	"
467 3/4	Cubic yards of Rough Stones at 8 As ₰ C.Y.	233	14	"
	Total Rupees	15918	4	11
	Last adjustment up to the Westrn Trunk Road	24530	5	6
	Grand Total Rupees	40448	10	5
	Amount Received by Contractor Rupees	32689	9	"
	Balance due to Annasawmy Moodely	7759	1	5

The amount deducted being for Work performed by Mr. Gaynor in the Moodely Hill Rupees Four hundred and eighty one bears a balance due up to this date to the Passed Contractor of Company's Rupees Seven thousand two hundred and Seventy eight Annas One and Pice five — to be paid to him on Sanction of further Money on this work by Government

(Signed)
Mahandramuddy
December 18th 1857

T. H. Bush
Asst Ex Engineer
2d Section
North Arcot

(Rs 7278-1-5)

2d October 1858

True Copy

To

The Chief Engineer D. P. W.

Fort St. George

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I Humbly beg to remain

Honored Sir

2nd October 1858

Central Office of Public Works
Fort Saint George 5th October 1858

No. 4211

From

The Officiating Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government P.W.D.

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18th

Enclosure one Petition.

Your most Obedient and Humble Servant

Chas Blacker Mc

Chief Engineer

Dept. Rec. 4211 Rec'd 7/10/58

No. 1124

Petition.

Recd 7/10/58

From

P. Annasawmy Moodelly Contractor Kottaliur Tirumalpadi

Dated 2nd & 3rd Oct 1858

Subject applying for bill for R. 7278-1-5 being amount due to him for work done in the Mahendravady Channel

Recd 4/10/58

Ans. 8/10/58

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
C Crawford Lieut Colonel
Officiating Chief Engineer

Central Office of W.
Fort Saint George
5th October 1858.

To The Secretary to Government
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Cons 12th October/58 R. 1248125

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8th Oct. 1858

P. W. 1858 Dept
Cons 12th October.
W. 2330.

From
The Offg Chief Engineer
To
The Secy to Govt Dept W.
Fort St George 16th Nov. 1858 R. 2122
in Cons - 7 Dec. 86089

Dated 5th Octr 1858
Recd 12th Octr 1858
№ 2122. 12th October 1858.
W. 4211

Submitting a petition from one Annasawmy Moodelly claiming a sum of R. 7278-11-5 for work executed to the Madras Chaunel in the Arrest under Mr Bush's observation that Works should be called on for a full explanation of such proceeding with an order

№ 2122

The Government fully
desire that the matter expressed
in the above letter be enquired
into & reported on by the
Chief Engineer and they
superintending Engineer
desire that the result of their
together with the other Govt
officer's enquiry may be com
which may be investigate
by him under orders
early date.

From Fort St George
12th Octr 1858
10 Copies to the Offg Chief Engr Dated 13th