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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 13th April 1858.

No. 56. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Superintending Engineer Southern Circle, in charge of Central office of P. W., ; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 26th March 1858, No. 8514.

SIR,

I do myself the honor to submit, for the information of Government, transcript of a letter from the District Engineer of Malabar, No. 58, dated the 16th Instant, reporting that the Irrity bridge will not be open before the ensuing S. W. monsoon.

2. Regretting as I do this unforeseen delay in the completion of so important a work, I am not prepared to undertake the responsibility of urging Lieutenant Bean to make greater efforts than his means of Superintendence will fully justify.

Letter from Lieutenant J. BEAN, District Engineer Malabar ; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Calicut, 16th March 1858, No. 58.

SIR,

In reply to your Telegraphic message which I have just received, I beg to inform you there is so much jungle and fever prevalent at Irrity on Trunk road No. 4, that with the Collector's assistance even, I am unable to get people to remain at the work spot. I am however going to endeavour to force them to work. I trust to get the foundations in and the piers and abutments raised by the end of May. At the same time I am employing Carpenters on the wooden roadway, and I shall endeavour to get the eastern bay raised by the same date. The bridge, however, I am afraid, will not be completed before the end of the year. The great difficulty exists in constructing the eastern pier and abutment, the latter of which has always 12 feet of water standing on its site in the driest season, and as the bed is very rocky, I am unable to turn off the stream effectually. Assistant Overseer J. P. Martin, has charge of the work, which is, and will be, superintended occasionally by Lieutenant Tennant and myself. I wrote to you by post instead of replying by Telegraph as it gave me more opportunity for a fuller answer to your instructions.

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, No. 664 ; dated 13th April 1858.

The Government regret to learn that unforeseen, but unavoidable obstacles will prevent the completion of the Irrity bridge before the South-west monsoon sets in. They however would, on no account, lead the District Engineer to press the operations beyond what he may consider to be the safe line.

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

No. 58.

District Engineer's Office, Malabar,
Calicut, 16th March 1858.

From,

Lieutenant J. Bean,

District Engineer Malabar

To,

Colonel C. E. Folger

Chief Engineer D. P. M.

Sir,

In reply to your telegraphic message in which I have just received, I beg to inform you there is so much jungle and fever prevalent at Erity on Church Road No. 4, that with the collector's assistance even, I am unable to get people to remain at the work spot. I am however going to endeavour to force them to work. I must get the foundations in and the Piers and abutments raised by the end of May. At the same time I am employing carpenters on the wooden Roadway, and I shall endeavour to get the Eastern Bay raised by the same date. The Bridge, however, I am afraid, will not be completed before the end of the year. The great difficulty exists in constructing the eastern Pier and abutment, the latter of which has always 12 feet of water standing on its side in the driest season, and as the bed is very rocky, I am unable to turn off the stream effectually. Assistant Quarter Master J. D. Martin has charge of the work, which is, and will be, superintended occasionally by Lieutenant Tennant and myself. I wrote

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I have &c.
(Signed) J. Benn
District Engineer
Malabar

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Superintending Engineer S. C.
in charge of Central Office
P. W.

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Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George 26th Dec/58.

No. 8574

From

The Superintending Engineer S. C. Circle
in charge of Central Office of P.W.

To

The Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir,

Public

Order.

I do myself the honor to submit
for the information of Government, transcripts
of a letter from the District Engineer of
Malabar, 26th Dec, dated the 16th Dec last,
reporting that the Irity bridge will not
be open before the ensuing S. W. monsoon.

2. Regretting as I do the unforeseen
delay in the completion of so important a
work, I am not prepared to undertake
the responsibility of urging S. B. to
make greater efforts than his measure of
superintendence will fully justify.

I have the honor to be

Yours most obedt. Servt.

Lawrence Dwyer

Supg. Engr. S. C. Circle
Central Office P.W.

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From the S. C. Circle
in charge of Central Office

To the Secretary to Govt.

P. W. D.

Dec 26th

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No. 8574

Copy of a letter from the
District Engineer of Malabar
reporting that the Irity
bridge will not be open
before the ensuing S. W.
monsoon - also the
District Engineer's
recommendation to
be made.

