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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 8th March 1859.

No. 100. Read the following letter from Colonel W. E. BAKER, Secretary to the Government of India; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated 28th August 1857, No. 4131.

SIR,

In reply to your letter No. 1189, dated 19th June last, I am directed to inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council approves of the recommendation of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief-Madras, that the appointment of Executive Engineer at Hyderabad should be held by an Engineer Officer, whose services should be available for Military duty when required.

2. I am consequently to request that the Right Honorable the Governor of Fort Saint George will be pleased to appoint an Engineer Officer of some experience to the post in question. The Government of India is disposed to leave it to the Government of Madras to determine the position which this Officer should, for the present, hold in relation to the Public Works Establishments of Madras or Hyderabad. It might perhaps be more simple to permit the duties to be carried on as they have been till now, under the direction of Colonel Henderson; but if the Madras Government has any serious objection to such a course, pending the final decision of the question by the Government of India, they may place the Executive Engineer at Hyderabad under their own Chief Engineer.

3. It will be understood that the Executive Engineer will be immediately available for Military duty, on the application of the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force, to the Resident at Hyderabad. The Governor General in Council does not conceive that the Public Works duties of an Engineer Officer need ever interfere with his employment as a Military Engineer in case of necessity, nor does there appear to be any sufficient reason to fear the clash of authority between the Civil and Military authorities under whom the Engineer will have to act.

4. The Executive Engineer at Hyderabad must, until other arrangements are decided upon continue in charge of the Residency buildings, as well as of the stations of the Contingent at Bolarum and Warungul. The arrangements under which this is to be carried out, may best be determined in concert with Colonel Henderson.

5. The present orders will supersede those given for the temporary employment of Lieutenant Smith as Executive Engineer at Hyderabad, and as this Officer will now have no special connexion with the Hyderabad Public Works Establishments, he will be once more entirely at the disposal of the Madras Government.

No. 101.

ORDER THEREON, No. 526; dated 8th March 1859.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

N^o 4131.

From-

Colonel W. E. Baker,
Secretary to the Govt of India,

To

M. Forbes Esquire,
Acting Secretary to the Govt of
Fort Saint George

Dated the 28th August 1857.

Public Works Dept^y Sir,

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Fort William
The 28th August 1857

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedt^l Servant,

W. B. Clerk
Secretary to the Govt. of India

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