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for the month of January 1860.*

No. 125. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer ;
to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 2nd December 1859,
No. 7895.

In Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 10th February 1857, No. 289, the Government

1	Letter from District Engr., dated 10th Dec. 1855, No. 274	sanctioned conditionally for entry in the
1	do to do do 21st do do do 6468	budget, an estimate of Rupees 4,220 for a
1	do from do do 5th Jan. 1859, do 310	taluk kach'hari at Huvenhadgali in the Ballari
1	do to Board of Rev. do 3rd March do do 8301	district. In December 1858 the District
1	do from do do 9th April do do 1265	Engineer applied to this office for orders as
1	do to District Engineer do 16th April do do 0622	to the plan in which the proposed kach'hari
1	do from do do 26th April do do 457	was to be built. Standard plans of new de-
1	do from do do 16th May do do 50	signs having been circulated in the depart-
1	do to Board of Rev. do 27th May do do 903	ment. He was directed to adopt one of the
1	do from do do 2nd June do do 2005	standard plans according to the class required,
1	do from do do 21st June do do 82	
1	do from District Engr., do 2nd Nov. do do 301	
1	Abstract estimate.	

and to frame an estimate accordingly in order that, if necessary, sanction might be obtained for any additional expenditure required. The District Engineer submitted an estimate for a 1st class kach'hari, but the Board of Revenue were of opinion that, as the population of the Huvenhadgali taluk was under 60,000, and the revenue below 1,50,000 Rupees, a 3rd class kach'hari would be sufficient. The District Engineer was accordingly instructed to prepare an estimate for a building of that class ; but in his reply, he intimated that having met the Collector at Huvenhadgali, it was decided by them to construct a 2nd class kach'hari ; the plan for which had accordingly been adopted, and the work proceeded with under the impression that an estimate for a 1st class building having been submitted, there could be no objection to proceeding with one of smaller cost if it would answer. He was informed in reply that no deviation from the class of kach'hari approved of by the Board could be permitted, but on his representing that the work had so far advanced, as to render impracticable any change in the plan adopted, the Board's approval was sought, and obtained to the proceedings taken in conformity with the opinion of the late Collector. An estimate of Rupees 9,000 for a 2nd class kach'hari was received in this office, from the District Engineer on the 21st June last, but as the letter submitting this estimate contained no allusion whatever to the correspondence which had previously taken place, it was, (with reference to the orders of Government directing that no estimates should be submitted for new taluk kach'haris, until the final settlement of the question of the taluks) held in abeyance, together with other estimates for the same description of buildings ; and this mistake was also owing to certain changes which took place about that time in the establishment of the northern circle of public works, by which the advantage of a knowledge of the previous correspondence on the subject was lost.

2. I cannot at all approve of the District Engineer's proceedings as above reported, though it appears that they were taken in conjunction with the Collector, Mr. Pelly.

3. It will be observed from the accompanying letter of the District Engineer, which is in reply to certain enquiries of Mr. Pelly, Member of the Board of Revenue, that the work may shortly be expected to be completed. From the budget statement for 1860-61, received from the District Engineer, it appears that the actual expenditure up to 31st October 1859 was Rupees 5,883, and the computed expenditure up to the end of the current official year is Rupees 8,383, leaving a balance of Rupees 617 for expenditure in 1860-61.

4. Under the foregoing circumstances, I beg that Government will be pleased to sanction the estimate of Rupees 8,760 herewith submitted, for the taluk kach'hari at Huvenhadgali, in supersession of the sanction of Rupees 4,220, conveyed in Extract Minutes of Consultation, 10th February 1857, No. 289.

No. 126. ORDER THEREON, 27th January 1860, No. 213.

In this letter the Chief Engineer asks sanction for an estimate of 8,760 Rupees for a second class taluk kach'hari at Huvenhadgali in Ballari, in supersession of one of Rupees 4,220 which was conditionally sanctioned for entry in the budget on the 10th February 1857. From the correspondence submitted

* Proceedings of Government, No. 259.

Chief Secretary.

Wentworth
 Lot 100, Grand
 ~ 100, acre
 On the Manning
 of the Lake

if necessary, sanction might be obtained for any additional expenditure required. The District Engineer submitted an Estimate for a 1st class Cutcherry, but the Board of Revenue were of opinion that as the population of the Havanahadgali Taluk was under 60,000 and the Revenue below 15,000 Rupees, a 3rd class Kachari would be sufficient. The District Engineer was accordingly instructed to prepare an Estimate for a Building of that class, but in his reply, he intimated that having met the Collector at Havanahadgali it was decided by them to construct a 2nd class Kachari, the plan for which had accordingly been adopted, and he would proceed with under the impression that an Estimate for a 1st class Building having been submitted there could be no objection to proceeding with one of smaller cost if it would answer. He was informed in reply that no deviation from the class of Kachari approved of by the Board could be permitted, but on his representing that the work had so far advanced as to render impracticable any change in the plan adopted, the Board's approval was sought, and obtained to the proceedings taken in conformity with the opinion of the late Collector. An Estimate of Rupees

7000

54
7000 for a 2nd class Kachari was received in this office from the District Engineer on the 21st June last, but as the letter submitting this Estimate contained no allusion whatever to the correspondence which had previously taken place, it was forthwith referred to the order of Government directing that no Estimates should be submitted for new Taluk Kacharies until the final settlement of the question of the new Taluqs held in abeyance together with other Estimates for the same description of buildings, and this mistake was also owing to certain changes which took place about that time in the Establishment of the Northern Circle of Public Works by which the advantage of a knowledge of the previous correspondence on the subject was lost.

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District Engineer, it appears that the actual
expenditure up to 31st October 1859 was Rspees
5,883, and the computed expenditure up to the
end of the current financial year is Rspees 83,83
leaving a balance of Rspees 614 for expenditure
in 1860/61. —

Under the foregoing circumstances
that Government will be pleased to sanction
the Estimate of Rspees 8,760 herewith submitted
for the Taluk Machari at Muvattur, in
recognition of the sanction of Rspees 4,220 conveyed
by the Estimates of consultation 10th February 1857
No 287. —

Chief Officer
Fort Saint George
2 December 1859

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
W. W. L. L. L.
Chief Engineer

Capt.
for W. W. L. L. L.

Collyer

(Building)

(New Work)

Abstract of Estimate No. of 185 /s

District Bellary

Talook

Work Constructing a 2nd Class Talook Cutcherry at
Herrinhudgally.

Quantities	Description of Work.	Rate.	Amount	Amount of each part
		Rs. a p.	Rupies.	Rupies.
21439	C ^t Mortar in Chumam — 7 C ^t	1 9	3111	
533	9 ^c Arch work in — 9 ^c — 9 ^c	3 "	62	
396	9 ^c Flat arch work in — 9 ^c — 9 ^c	2 9	68	
596	9 ^c Cornice work in — 9 ^c — 9 ^c	3 9	140	
3926 1/2	Sup ^r Roofing with brick on edge & 3 Course of flat tiles & 3 Coats of Chumam & 9 ^c	23 "	903	
1379 1/2	9 ^c Terracing with palmirah reapers nails flat and span tiles & Chumam border — 9 ^c	15 "	192	
7 1/2	C ^t Teakwood wrought and put up — 9 ^c — 9 ^c	2 "	155	
510	9 ^c Palmirah wrought & put up 9 ^c	8 "	255	
236	9 ^c Plastering with 2 Coats of Chumam — 7 9 ^c — 7 9 ^c	2 1 "	487	
38 1/2	9 ^c Plastering 3 Coats — 9 ^c — 9 ^c	4 "	116	
4281	Sup ^r Flooring with 8 in. 9 ^c bricks in Chumam with wall bricks & a levelling Course underneath — 7 9 ^c — 8 "	8 "	341	
Carried Over			5828	

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No.	Description of Work	Rate		Amount
		R.	P.	
	Brought Over			5525
167	Rf ^{ts} Steps —————	7	1	42
4	Masonry Pillars —————	7	12	84
16	" " " " —————	5	18	90
31	Loopholes —————	3	"	102
20	Sq ^{rs} Red paint —————	1	10	32
30	" Wood oil —————	1	10	45
4	Seakwood ladders —————	10	"	40
1	Well —————	"	"	80
12	Pairs Batten door with frames hinges bolts & complete	15	"	180
4	Pairs " " " " " " " "	12	8	50
1	Strong pair of Batten Door to treasury with frames hinges & complete —————	"	"	16
2	" " " " " " " " to prison rooms with hinges & complete	17	"	34
7	Pairs of batten windows with frames hinges & complete	11	"	77
9	Pairs " " " " " " " "	12	"	108
13	Pairs " " " " " " " "	8	"	104
1	Strong pair of gate shutters with frames hinges bolts staples loops, Complete —————	"	"	54
3	Ventilators in prison rooms with iron bars Complete —————	17	"	51
4	Ventilators —————	40	"	160
	Carried Over			7185

Quantity	Description of work	Rate		Amount	Amount of each part
		R.	P.		
	Brought Over			7183	
12	Masonry gutters —————	2	"	24	
140	Tin gutters or spouts " " " "	2	8	100	
36 1/2	Rf ^{ts} Wooden railing to treasury in Verandah —————	3	"	110	
	Excavation to foundation and filling in basement —————	"	"	89	
	Need —————				7506
1568	Cf ^{ts} Stone in Chumam 3/4 p	"	19	171	
891	Sup ^{ts} Roofing with palm-leaf peepers nails flat & painted and Chumam boards 3/4 p	15	"	134	
19	Cf ^{ts} Seakwood wrought and put up —————	2	"	38	
83	" Palm-leaf wrought and put up —————	"	8	42	
12 1/2	Sq ^{rs} Plastering with 3 coats of Chumam —————	2	1	26	
552	Sup ^{ts} Flooring with 8 in. sq ^{rs} bricks in Chumam & a levelling course underneath with wall bricks —————	"	8	44	
36	Rf ^{ts} Steps —————	7	1	9	
	Excavation to foundation and filling in basement & raising " " " "	"	"	18	
	Carried Over			7988	

Quantities	Description of work	Rate	Amount	Amount of each part
		R. A. P.	Rupies	Rupies
	<u>Privy</u>	Brought Over		7988
1445	C ^o Stone in Chumam 3/4	" 1 9	158	
355	Sup ^y Roofing with palm-leaf ropes nails flat and pantles & Chumam boards 15	" "	38	
286	C ^o Teakwood wrought and put up — 3/4	" 2	8	
24	D ^o Palm-leaf wrought 18 2	" 8	12	
11	D ^o Flat arch work in Chumam	" 2 9	2	
173	Sup ^y Flooring with 8 in. sq ^d bricks in Chumam and a levelling course underneath with wall bricks — 3/4	" 8	14	
1975	D ^o Plastering with 2 coats of Chumam — 9	" 2 1	26	
1	Pairs of battens door with frames hinges &c. Complete — 8	" 15	15	
4	Bullseyes complete in- cluding arch work 2	" 2	8	
1	Vegetable mat work 31 feet long with wire sandy walls & complete	" "	16	
1	Red lock —	" "	1	
	Red paint —	" "	2	
			298	7988

Quantities	Description of work	Rate	Amount	Amount of each part
		R. A. P.	Rupies	Rupies
	Brought Over		298	7988
	Excavation to foundation	" "	3	300
	Weather boards to Post Office —	" "		50
	Stables and extra Establishment —	" "		422
	Total Rupies			8760

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George
2 December 1859

J. A. Bell Lieut. Colonel
Chief Engineer P.W.

Enclosure

From

From

The Chief Engineer

G. P. H.

To

The Secretary to Govt.

G. P. H.

Dated 2nd Decr 1853

Received

Decr 1853

No 7895

Dec 8/53

Abstract Estimate of Con-
structing a 2nd Class Talook
Cutchery at Hoovenhugally
in the District of Bellary.

Amounting to Rs. 8760

No. 223153

In this matter the
District Eng^r of Bellary
acted in breach of a Rule
or established rule, in con-
sequence of which the Govt
had to take steps to
rectify the same.

2. A Commission was
sent to the District Eng^r
for 4000 Rs. but he
did not use the money
for the work, but in doing
the work, he was doing
the same, the money
on the day of his death was
wholly unaccounted for
and he was to be given a pension.

3. This seems to me a point on which
it is necessary to maintain discipline, & in the
presence of emergency is made.

Under the existing system as regards
finances, the District Judge has full
control over the amount allotted
to the District; & unless with order
as that used in practice are strictly
maintained, the Govt. has no hold
upon him.

4. The District Judge states
that he acts with the full auth.
of the Govt. but a Govt.
cannot enforce an order of
the District Judge, as

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Existence of emergency is not
proven.

5. The facts of the case
will be found in the account
- hanging office memo.

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I concur and propose that
a letter be written accordingly

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managers -
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Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Under date the 27th Feb 1880

And the following

Letter from the Hon. the Chief Justice

is minute of the 27th Feb 1880, relating to the
Chair of Government in the 1880-81
year, which is in reference to the
Rs. 1200 sanctioned in 1879-80 for
of consultation of the 27th Feb 1880 (More under 2nd part page 1895)

mem^o

Chair of Government

Chair

Chair

Proc. of Govt. No. 289

Chair

In this letter the
Chief Justice asks sanction
for an estimate of Rs. 7500 for
for a second class library. Chair
at Kumbhatgali in relation
in reference to one of Rs.
4225 which was condition-
ally sanctioned for sub in
the budget in the 11th Feb 1880
From the correspondence
submitted with this letter
it appears that the work
has been already proceeded
with, and indeed that it

is

is now nearly completed.
2. In this matter
the District Eng. of
Ballari has acted in breach
of a known & established
rule, in commencing to
build the Kachari without
sanctions. A conditional
sanction for Rs 2000 and,
^{as you mentioned,}
been given for the taking of the
work in the Budget; but
in giving that sanction, the
decision as to the class of
building was expressly
reserved, and no permission
to begin work was ever
given. This is a point
on which it is necessary to
maintain discipline; & in
the present case, no pre-
sence of emergency is made.
Under the existing system
as respects public works,
District

District Engineer has no
control over the amount
allotted to his District; and
makes such rules as
now in question are
by maintained. That he
is held upon them, &
The District Engineer states
that he acted with the full
approval of the Collector.
but a Collector cannot
issue an Order of Grant
and as already said, the
presence of emergency
put forward.

3. Under these circumstances,
the Government
must decline to sanction
the estimate.

J. J.

10 Copies
To the Chief Engineer
with the Encl.

2 June 1860
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From 1860 to 1869
February 1860 to 1869 in 1860

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the estimate of 1860 for
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