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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 45 of 1860.

TO THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

RIGHT HONORABLE SIR,

1. We beg to transmit the papers noted in the margin recording certain of our proceedings, in furtherance of the scheme for improving the navigation of the Upper Godavery, to undertake which in an effectual manner we addressed you specially in our letter of the 4th April 1860, No. 14.

Proceedings 21st Feb. 1860, No. 24, 25.
 " 6th March " " 82-84.
 " 5th May " " 84, 85.
 " 25th " " " 76, 77.

2. On Captain Haig's application, we sanctioned the following temporary establishment for Survey and other operations, preparatory to the commencement of work at the Sintoral Barrier, the cost being defrayed from the funds of the Godavery District:—

	Rs. per mensem.
An Officer.....	150
Establishment for the above.....	44
An Assistant Overseer	80, or 100
Establishment for do.....	27
Total...Rs.	<u>301, or 321.</u>

3. We subsequently received four applications for money to improve the navigation of the Godavery and explore its tributaries, to the following effect:—

(1.) 3,000 Rupees for clearing shoals in the river between Dowlaishwaram and Baddrachellam.

(2.) 6,000 Rupees, being the difference accruing between the sanctioned rate of 5 Annas and the actual cost of the transport of Commissariat Stores by the Godavery river, and required for blasting rocks occurring between Dowlaishwaram and Mangapetta, and for cutting through the Abacca Reef.

(3.) A maintenance allowance of 48,600 Rupees, or 200 Rupees a mile for 243 miles of navigation from Dowlaishwaram to Chinnore, on the principle of annual allowances for the preservation of roads.

(4.) 12,000 Rupees for building two light wooden boats at Coringa at 6,000 Rupees each, to be fitted with the engines of certain small iron steamers built by Messrs. Forrester and Co. for the East Coast Canal, lying in pieces at Dowlaishwaram, and to be used in exploring the Godavery proper, and the Pranhita, with its tributaries the Wyne Ganga and the Pyne Ganga.

4. We authorized the application of the second of these items, viz., 6,000 Rupees, in the manner proposed, as the money was reported to be in hand. We also gave our sanction, subject to the confirmation of the Government of India, to the item Rupees 3,000, being the amount of a grant made two years ago by that Government, but not expended; as well as to the last item, Rupees 12,000, for building two exploring boats. The Government of India subsequently gave their confirmation to our Order. We declined to approve the third item of 48,600 Rupees a year, being a maintenance allowance of 200 Rupees a mile.

FORT SAINT GEORGE.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter to the Right Honorable
the Secretary of State for India,
Dated 25th June,
No. 45 of 1860.

Transmitting papers relating to certain proceedings in
furtherance of the scheme for improving the navigation
of the Upper Godavary.

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2. — On Capt Ruiz's applica-
tion, we sanctioned the follow-
ing temporary establishment
for survey and other operations,
preparatory to the commencement

5. As we afterwards learnt that, owing to the difficulty of procuring timber and the lateness of the season, it was not possible to build both the wooden boats in time for the early freshes, we sanctioned Captain Haig's proposal to defer the construction of one of the wooden hulls, and to use in lieu of it one of the iron hulls.

We have the honor to be,

Right Honorable Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servants,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
25th June 1860.

of work at the Sirkul Bari,
the cost being defrayed from
the funds of the Godavery district.

As per memo.
An Officer ——— 150
Establishment for the same. 44.
An Assistant Overseer. 80, or 100
Establishment for do. — 27
Rs 301, or 321.

3. He subsequently ^{received} four
applications for money to im-
prove the navigation of the Goda-
very and explore its tributaries, to
the following effect. —

I. 3000 Rs for clearing shoals
in the river between Daulwarum
and Baddackellam.

II. 6000 Rs, being the ^{difference} between the sanctioned
of the ~~sanctioned~~ ^{estimated} cost of the proposed
works and the actual cost of the works
done by the Godavery river, & part of the
required for blasting rocks oc-
curring between Daulwarum
and Mangapetta, & for cutting
thro' the Mica reef.

III. A maintenance allowance
of 48,000 Rs, or 200 Rs a mile for

243 miles of navigation from Daul-
warum to Chinnore, on the
principle of annual allowances
for the preservation of roads.

IV. 12,000 Rs for building two
light wooden boats at Corium
~~at 6000 Rs each~~ ^{being fitted}
being proposed to fit them with
the engines of certain small
iron steamers built by Messrs
Forrester & Co for the East Coast
Canal, lying in pieces at Daul-
warum, and to use the two
vessels thus fitted in exploring
the Godavery proper, and the
Pranheeta, with its tributaries
the Pyne Sanga and the Pyne

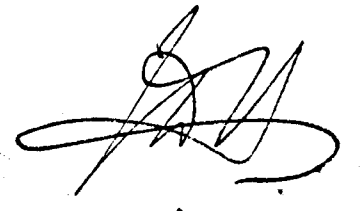
Sanga. We authorized the application
4. ^{the second of these items}
in 6000 Rs, ^{in the manner proposed}
money was reported to be ^{in hand}
We also gave ^{sanction} subject
to the confirmation of the Govt of India to the extent, Rs
3000, being a grant made two
years ago by that Govt
by the Govt of India, with Rs
as well as the cash
expended; and for the cash

item, No 12000, for the building.
Two exploring boats. ^{the} ~~we found~~
Govt of India subsequent:
~~Sanction subject to the confirm-~~
~~ly gave their sanction to~~
~~action of the Govt of India,~~
~~our order -~~
~~which however we duly obtained.~~
it being highly desirable that
Capt King should be enabled
to make the necessary preparation
to allow of his commencing
the work at the proper season.
We declined to approve
the third item of 48,000 Rs a
year, being a maintenance al-
lowance of 200 Rs a mile, ~~was~~
~~declined, as we could not per-~~
~~ceive the analogy between the~~
~~road and the river commission.~~
~~inattention in this respect, for~~
~~reasons which are stated in para~~
~~3 of our Proceedings of the 1st~~
~~March 1860, No 487.~~

5. - As we afterwards learn
that, owing to the difficulty of
procuring timber and the late-
ness of the season, it was not

possible to build both the
wooden boats in time for
the ^{early freshes} ~~proposed~~ ~~recesses~~, we con-
sidered Capt King's proposal to
defer the construction of one
of the wooden hulls, and to
use in lieu of it, ^{one of} the iron hulls
is, ~~with the engines and boilers~~
~~of which it was proposed to~~
~~fit the vessel proposed to be~~
~~built.~~

J. F. George
25th June 1860



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Letter to the Right Honble the
Secretary of State
for India

Dated 25th June 1860

By Mr. James C. M. Mansel,
11 July 1860

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