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19th July 1860.

No. 321. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Chief Engineer, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 5th July 1860, No. 2,345:—

1. I have the honor to submit for the consideration of Government, an Estimate amounting to Rupees (1,500,) One thousand and five hundred, prepared by the District Engineer of Malabar, for the repair of the Groynes at Ponany in the District of Malabar.

1 Letter from Collector, No. 3,300, dated 3rd December 1859, with 1 enclosure.
3 Letters from District Engineer, Nos. 412, 72, and 146, dated 26th December 1859, 21st March and 29th May 1860, with 1 enclosure.
1 Abstract Estimate.

2. In Extract Minutes of Consultation marginally noted, Government sanctioned Rupees 7,619-10 for the construction of two Groynes urgently required for the protection of the town of Ponany, noticing, at the same time, that the principal inhabitants of Ponany had agreed to reimburse the Government for the outlay authorized for the protection of their property by a tax on all boats landing at the Quay, rated according to their burden, and desiring that the tax might be levied simultaneously with the commencement of the works.

No. 159, dated 12th May 1851.

3. In Faslis 1263, 64, 65, 66 and 67, the sum collected on that account, amounted to Rupees 7,357-3-8 after deducting Rupees 57-8-8 for the employment of a Gumáshta from February to May 1854, with a balance remaining to be collected of Rupees 399-8-8, making a total of Rupees 7,814-5-0, as reported in letter from this Office, No. 1,341, dated 8th October 1858.

Letter from Collector, No. 128, dated 10th September 1858, submitted to Government on the 8th October 1858, No. 4,341.

4. On the 3rd of December 1859, No. 3,300, the Collector of Malabar reported that besides the balance of Rupees 399-8-8 above alluded to, Rupees 1,190-1-1 had been collected up to the 31st of October preceding, and on the 25th May 1860, No. 1,653, the Collector again reports as follows:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
The surplus collection up to 31st October 1859 as reported in his letter of the 30th November 1859.....	1,190	1	1
Add collections from the 1st November 1859 to 30th April 1860.....	1,554	10	7
	2,744	11	8

399-8-8 - 3144-4-4

this sum is independent of the 399-8-8 above alluded to, and which is to be appropriated to the liquidation of former expenditure. The total sum collected up to the 30th April 1860, would thus appear to be Rupees 10,501-8* as shown in the margin.

	Rs.	A.	P.
	7,414	12	4
	399	8	8
	7,814	5	0
	1,190	1	1
	1,554	10	7
is	10,559	0	8
Deduct as per para. 3,	57	8	8
	* 10,501	8	0

† No. 3,300, dated 3rd December 1859.

5. The Collector further remarks in his letter,† as per margin, that "this contribution is a voluntary one, willingly "given by the people, whose manifest advantage it is to have "the Groynes in good order, which suffer from the set of the "river stream, and which, if not checked by the Groynes, would "soon destroy a large amount of property, and ultimately carry "away a great portion of the town of Ponany."

6. I would beg, therefore, strongly to recommend that of the sum collected from the Ponany merchants as a toll on boats landing at the Quay for the maintenance of the Groynes, and remaining in hand Rupees 2,636-11-8, the amount now required should be expended on their repair, and to solicit accordingly sanction for the sum of Rupees (1,500,) One thousand and five hundred, agreeably to the accompanying Estimate.

7. The total expenditure on these Groynes amounts to Rupees 7,814-5 plus an emergent outlay of Rupees 108,* in all Rupees 7,922-5.

* Paragraph 1 of the District Engineer's letter, No. 412, dated 26th December 1859.

8. After deducting the sum of Rupees 1,500 now asked for, there is a balance of Rupees 1,136-11-8, remaining from former collections still available for further improvements, instead of Rupees 1,244-11-8 as stated by the District Engineer in the 3rd paragraph of his letter, No. 146, dated 29th May 1860.

9. It will be seen that that Officer suggests that this sum may be appropriated to strengthen the banks between the Groynes and otherwise protect the river face, I have requested him to communicate with the Collector and ascertain that gentleman's views as to the best way of appropriating this balance, and also in reference to the question of further collections. My own opinion is that a reduced schedule of tolls should be established for the purpose of providing a fund as a maintenance allowance for keeping the Groynes in repair.

No. 325. ORDER THEREON, 19th July 1860, No. 1,549.

1. The Government sanction the Estimate of Rupees (1,500) One thousand and five hundred submitted with this letter, for repairing the Groynes at Ponany, and direct that the cost be defrayed from the local boat-toll fund as recommended by the Chief Engineer.

2. His Excellency in Council will await the opinion of the Collector on the two points referred to in paragraph 9.

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

Central Office of Public Works
Chepauk 5th July 1860.

No. 2345.

From

The Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

"Public".

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of Government an Estimate amounting to Rupees 1,500, One Thousand and five hundred, prepared by the District Engineer of Malabar for the repair of the Groynes at Ponany in the District of Malabar.

2. In Extract Minutes of Consultation marginally noted, Government sanctioned Rupees 7,649-10- for the construction of two Groynes urgently required for the protection of the Town of Ponany, noticing, at the same time, that the principal Inhabitants of Ponany had agreed to reimburse the Government for the outlay authorized for the protection of their property by a Tax on all Boats landing at the Quay, rated

No. 159 dated 13th May 1851.

rated according to their burden, and desiring that the Tax might be levied simultaneously with the commencement of the Works.

3. In Fusslies 1263, 64, 65, 66, and 67, the sum collected on that account, amounted to Rupees 7,357-3-8 after deducting Rupees 57-8-8 for the employment of a Ghomastah from February to May 1854, with a balance remaining to be collected of Rupees 399-8-8, making a total of Rupees 7814-5-0, as reported in letter from this Office No. 4341 dated 8th October 1858.

Letter from Collector No. 128 dated 10th Sept. 1858, submitting to Govt. on the 8th Oct. 1858 No. 4341.

4. On the 3rd of December 1859 No. 3303 the Collector of Malabar reported that besides the balance of Rupees 399-8-8, above alluded to, Rupees 1190-1-1, had been collected up to the 31st of October preceding and on the 25th May 1860, No. 1653, the Collector again reports as follows.

The Surplus Collection up to 31st October 1859 as reported in his letter of the 30th November 1859 ..... 1190-1-1.

Add collections from the 1st November 1859 to 30th April 1860 ..... 1554-10-7.

2744-11-8.

this sum is independent of the 399-8-8 above alluded

Rupees 7,814-12-4.
399-8-8
7814-5-0
1190-1-1
1554-10-7
10,559-0-8.

Deduct as per para 3 - 57-8-8
1850-8-0

No. 3300 dated 3rd December 1859.

alluded to, and which is to be appropriated to the liquidation of former expenditure. The total sum collected up to the 30th April 1860 would thus appear to be Rupees 10,501-8-0 as shewn in the margin.

5. The Collector further remarks in his letter, as per margin, that "this contribution "is a voluntary one, willingly given by the "people, whose manifest advantage it is to "have the Groynes, in good order, which are "suffer from the set of the River Stream, "and which, if not checked by the Groynes, "would soon destroy a large amount of property "and ultimately carry away a great portion "of the Town of Ponany."

6. I would beg, therefore, strongly to recommend that of the sum collected from the Ponany Merchants as a Toll on Boats landing at the Quay for the maintenance of the Groynes and remaining in hand Rupees 2,636-11-8, the amount now required should be expended on their repair, and to solicit accordingly sanction for the sum of Rupees 1,500, One thousand and five hundred, agreeably to the accompanying Estimate.

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The total expenditure on these Groynes amounts to Rupees 7,814-5-. plus an emergent outlay of Rupees 108, in all Rupees 7922-5-.

† Para 1 of this Dy Engr's letter No 412 dated 26th Decr 1859.

8.

After deducting the sum of the Rupees 1,500 now asked for, there is a balance of Rupees 1136-11-8, remaining from former collections still available for further improvements, instead of Rupees 1344-11-8 as stated by the District Engineer in the 3rd para of his letter No 146, dated 29th May 1860.

9.

It will be seen that that Officer suggests that this sum may be appropriated to strengthen the banks between the Groynes and otherwise protect the river face, I have requested him to communicate with the Collector and ascertain that gentleman's views as to the best way of appropriating this balance, and also in reference to the question of further collections. My own opinion is that a reduced Schedule of Tolls should be established for the purpose of providing a

a fund as a maintenance allowance for keeping the Groynes in repair.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
D.W. Ponsley Lt Colo
Chief Engineer.

Central Office of P.W.
Chepauk
5th July 1860.

G. S. Lt Colonel.
2d Chief Engr 2d Circle

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

X D Lt Colo Cakefields

P.W. 13th May 51 No 10 & 15
— 29th October 58 — & 1894 & 1900

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P.W. 1860 Departt
Proc: of Govt for July
No 1678.

From
The Chief Engineer
To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Departt

From Do. of 23d Augt 1860. Cl. 2087.
Dated 5th
Recd 6 July 1860.
No 2345
Encl: 1.

Submits for sanction an Estimate amounting to Rupees 1500 for repairing two Groynes at Ponani in the District of Malabar, and suggests that a reduced rate of tolls be imposed on with a view of providing a sufficient sum as a maintenance allowance for keeping the Groynes in repair.

No 324 & 325.

Copy of Order
No 1549 - 19th July.

JGW

Fort St George
19th July 1860

No 1549 - 1549.

The Government sanction the estimate of Rupees (1500) One thousand and five hundred submitted with this letter, for repairing the Groynes at Ponany and direct that the cost be defrayed from the local boat-toll fund recommended by the Chief Engineer.

2 His Excellency in Council will await the opinion of the Collector on the two points referred to in para 4.

10 Copies to the Chief Engineer with 1 Encl. 28