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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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1st September 1862.*

No. 21. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel S. O. E. LUDLOW, R. E.,
Officiating Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to Colonel W. I.
BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated
Chepauk, 12th August 1862, No. 51:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward a letter No. 49, dated 8th August, from the Agent Irrigation and Canal Company, giving cover to a communication from the Chief Engineer, and requesting that authority be given to the Company to adopt the site of the Luckavally project, one of the Company's proposed Reservoirs in the Mysore territory, and that the expense of surveys and the preparation of plans and estimates be sanctioned.

2. The sanction of the Mysore authorities will of course have to be obtained, but judging from the promises held out in paragraphs 8 and 9 of Mr. Saunders' letter, quoted by Colonel Cotton, there can be little doubt about the necessary permission being accorded.

3. I look upon the construction of these Reservoirs as of vital importance to the success of the Irrigation Company's scheme, for without them their supply of water during summer must be scanty and altogether insufficient, it is consequently of the utmost importance that no time should be lost in taking the first steps for the execution of this part of the works.

4. It will be no easy matter to make even the surveys necessary for those works in dense and unhealthy jungle, and the execution of the works themselves will occupy necessarily much time. The sooner therefore they are begun the better, and I beg to recommend that immediate application be made to the Mysore Government for the necessary concession.

From F. AGNEW, Esq., Agent, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel S. O. E. LUDLOW, Officiating Consulting Engineer, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 8th August 1862, No. 49.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to enclose a letter* from the Chief Engineer, dated 24th ultimo, on the subject of this Company's Reservoirs.

2. I beg to call the attention of the Madras Government to the fact, that it is more than a year since the Chief Engineer reported† that "the rivers had been fully examined, and that out of Mysore territory there was no eligible site for a great Reservoir." The Mauri Canvai he reported as "the most eligible" and the Luckavally as "the next in fitness."

3. He requested an assurance that there would be no obstacle to the construction of a Reservoir by the Company within Mysore territory, and reported that until such an assurance was given he was unable to incur further expense in investigation.

4. As a lengthened period has thus been allowed for the consideration of these questions, I now beg to request that authority be given to this Company, to adopt the site of the Luckavally project as one of this Company's Reservoirs (the estimates of course being approved by Government), and that the Chief Engineer be authorized to incur the necessary expense in the preparation of plans and estimates.

From Colonel H. C. COTTON, Chief Engineer, Irrigation and Canal Company, to F. AGNEW, Esq., Agent Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Kurnool, 24th July 1862, No. 592.

DEAR SIR,

1. The Government Order of 12th April last, No. 712, communicates to the Consulting Engineer with reference to former correspondence, a letter addressed by the Officiating Commissioner in Mysore to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, regarding the proposed sites for Tanks in the Mysore territory.

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2. The Commissioner in the 8th paragraph states that, he is prepared to support the request of the Irrigation Company to have the Luckavally project made over to them, and in the 9th paragraph that he has not the least doubt that his successor in office will have the same feeling on the subject of the Luckavally scheme.

3. I am not aware whether I can take this as conclusive, or what express authority I must wait for, before I can take possession of the site, and undertake an accurate survey for the planning of the work.

4. It appears to me necessary before the expense is incurred that I should have express authority to adopt the site finally for the Company's purposes (the estimates of course being approved by the Government).

5. May I therefore beg that you will obtain explicit authority for this, in order that I may organize a party for the survey.

6. I must mention here with reference to the cost of the Reservoir, as estimated by the Mysore Government that, while the Dam proposed by me for the Maury Canvai would cost one-third only of Colonel Lawford's estimate, I have good reason to believe that one-half of his estimate for the Maury Canvai Dam would be ample for the construction of the Luckavally work.

(True Copy.

(Signed) F. AGNEW, Agent.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) S. O. E. LUDLOW, Lieut.-Colonel, R. E.,
Offg. Cons. Engr. I. & C. Company.

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 1st September 1862, No. 2,083.

Ordered that the following letter be despatched to the Commissioner of Mysore:—

(Signed) W. I. BIRDWOOD, Colonel R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No. 23. From Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, Public Works Department, to the Commissioner for the Government of the Territories of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore, dated 1st September 1862, No. 2,084.

SIR,

1. Adverting to paragraphs 8 and 9 of your predecessor's letter dated 2nd April 1862, No. 13, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to forward the accompanying copies of correspondence from the Officers of the Irrigation and Canal Company and the Government Consulting Engineer, requesting permission for the construction of a Reservoir by the Company at Luckwalla in the territories of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore.

2. The formation of Reservoirs, such as the one under consideration, being of vital importance to the success of the Irrigation Company's scheme, I am desired to enquire whether there is any objection to the site of the Luckwalla project being made over to the Company's Officers, in order that this Government may sanction the preparation of the requisite surveys previous to the work being undertaken.

To. No. 2084.

The Commissioner for the
Government of the Territories
of His Highness the
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U.B.

To

The Mysore Commis-
sioners
Site for the reservoir
at Luckwalla.

Chepauka
1st September 1862
Recd 2^d 1862

