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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
20th May 1865.*

No. 418. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Revenue Department :—

Passing orders on letter from the Consulting Engineer Irrigation and Canal Company, submitting correspondence from the Agent and the Chief Engineer requesting sanction to the transfer to the Company of the Byapgudur Tank, in the 99th and 100th miles of the Main Canal. (Here enter 16th May 1865, No. 1,019.)

No. 419. ORDER THEREON, 20th May 1865, No. 1,375.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 60.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th May 1865.*

No. 267. Read the following letter from Captain J. MULLINS, R. E., Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 12th April 1865, No. 241 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward for the consideration of Government, the letters as per margin,* from the Agent and Manager, and the Acting Chief Engineer of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, requesting the sanction of Government to the Byapagudur Tank, in the 99th, 100th miles of the Main Canal, being dealt with in a manner somewhat similar to that permitted in the case of the Nundial Tank.

* From Agent, No. 175, 6th instant.

Do. Acting Chief Engineer to Agent, No. 1,728,
22nd ultimo.

2. It would have been better had a sketch of the tank, shewing the proposed arrangements, been forwarded, but from information which I obtained when passing through the Division, I am able to give the main particulars of the case, and as the proposition really is that the tank shall be made over to the Company, with an obligation to supply the lands now under it, the Government will be able to decide whether this request can be acceded to.

3. The line of the canal will divide the tank into two unequal parts, and about two-thirds of its area will be above and one-third below the canal. The level of full tank is 6 feet above that of the canal water, and 12 feet above the bed of canal. To carry the tank supply under the canal a culvert leaving its floor 18 feet below the surface of the ground would be needed, and there would be some difficulty and expense in constructing it, but by no means any very great difficulty.

4. Provided all the lands at present under the tank can be irrigated from the canal, I do not see any objection to the transfer of the tank to the Company, because the supply from the canal is likely to be superior to that from the tank. It has not been shewn, however, that all the lands can be watered, and as the canal will be in 10 feet cutting, and these lands are only about eight miles from the head of the section, while the fall of the canal is but six inches a mile, it is not certain that the canal will be found high enough, so that, should the Government be disposed to make over the tank, it will be necessary to make the transfer conditional on the requisite information on this point being furnished.

5. The last paragraph of the Acting Chief Engineer's letter refers to the Nundial tank, the transfer of which was sanctioned in Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 2,137, 26th July 1864, and he asks what is the amount of revenue to be made good, and perhaps the Government will direct the area of land irrigated on the average of the last five years under the tank to be ascertained, and communicated to the Agent. I do not think the tank will be in any way affected by the canal this year, but it is just possible that a limited quantity of water may be taken down the latter, though my report will shew that this is hardly advisable.

Referred to the Revenue Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15th April 1865.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

No. 268.

ORDER THEREON 16th May 1865, No. 1,019.

Land Revenue.

1. The Governor in Council is willing to transfer the Byapakodur tank on the condition that the level of the canal is made sufficiently high for the irrigation of all the wet lands under the tank, and that the Company will provide Government free of charge with water for the area irrigated on an average of the last five years,

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which almost comes up to the existing Ayakat under the tank. As in the case of the Nundial tank, made over in G. O. No. 1,293 of 21st July 1864, the Government reserve to themselves the collection of assessment on the land, and the determination of the quantity of water to be supplied by the Company per acre. The Company will only be credited with the water rate for any future increase of cultivation in the village.

2. The Board will instruct the Collector to furnish the information required in the last paragraph of the Consulting Engineer's letter above recorded, regarding the extent of land irrigated on the average of the last five years under the Byapakodur and Nundial tanks.

(True Extract.)

L. K. M. S. R.
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company. *with 2 enclosures.*
„ the Department Public Works
„ the Board of Revenue.

Civil Works

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