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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th June 1865.*

No. 193. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Coonoor, 24th May 1865, No. 20:—

SIR,

1. In Government Order No. 1,818, of 22nd June 1864, I was permitted to provide for the repair of the Vattamungalum tank at an estimated cost of Rupees 1,620, and the work has been all

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but completed. Meanwhile Mr. Wiffen, Supervisor in charge of Caroor Range, who prepared the original estimate, has found out that the tank has no calingulah, and will consequently be always liable to be rendered useless by any extra flood. A similar discovery is made with reference to the Congoor tank in the same Range, for repair of which Rupees 1,003 were allotted and spent last year.

2. I object strongly to being hoodwinked by supply of imperfect information from Range Offices when estimates are submitted for my disposal; and request that Government will be so good as to signify their displeasure at the practice, while conveying to me permission to provide the necessary sums of Rupees 332 and Rupees 550 from the Irrigational Repair Funds of the current year.

P. S.—Just as the above was ready for despatch I received a report from Mr. Wiffen, dated 19th May, to the effect that the Vattamungalum tank breached on the night of the 17th idem. He estimates that a net addition of Rupees 444 to the unspent balance of Rupees 266 of the former estimate will be required to repair the damage sustained. This sum will be forthcoming when the estimate is received.

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ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1865, No. 1,566.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 39.

1. On the recommendation of the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, the Governor in Council sanctions the plans and estimates submitted with this letter for the following masonry works in the Coimbatore District.

(1.) Constructing a Calingulah in the Congoor tank	RS. 550
(2.) Do. do. in the Vattamungalum tank	332

2. The cost of the first work will be met from the Reserve under "Agricultural," but that of the second should be charged to the sum of Rupees 500 allotted in G. O. No. 361, dated 7th February 1865, to the Coimbatore District for expenditure during the current official year on "Minor New Works."

3. The Government notice with surprise that, when preparing estimates for the repair of the two tanks, Mr. Wiffen did not take the precaution of ascertaining whether or not they possessed the means of discharging their surplus waters. Had he done this he would have provided for the construction of the calingulahs, and would thereby have prevented the occurrence of the damage which the Vattamungalum tank has sustained. The Superintending Engineer will intimate to Mr. Wiffen that the Government view his negligence on this occasion with displeasure, and that, only in consideration of the good and useful service he has hitherto rendered, do they pass it over without further remark.

4. It was the business, however, of the Superintending Engineer to see that the plans for repairing and improving the tanks were properly prepared and complete, and the Government cannot permit that Officer to shift his responsibility upon the Executive Officer. There is nothing to show that Colonel Walker made any enquiries and the Government cannot but express their dissatisfaction.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

.. Accountant General.
.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

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Superintending Engineer's Office 7th Divⁿ
Cooroot 24th May 1865.

Thru

Lieutenant Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.

Superintending Engineer 7th Division

To,

Colonel C. A. Ott R.E.

Secretary to Government D. P. W.

Madrass

Sir

In Government Order No. 1818 of 22nd June 1864 I was permitted to provide for the repair of the Katamungalam Tank at an estimated cost of Rupees 1,620, and the work has been all but completed. Meanwhile Mr. Waffin, Supervisor in charge of Cooroot Range, who prepared the original estimate, has found out that the Tank has no Calingulab and will consequently be always liable to be rendered useless by any extra flood. A similar discovery is made with reference to the Congoot Tank in the same Range, for repair of which Rupees 1000 were allotted and spent last year.

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I object strongly to being hoodwinked by supply of imperfect information from Range Offices when estimates are submitted for my disposal; and request that Government will be so good as to signify their displeasure at the practice, while conveying to me permission to provide the necessary sums of Rupees 532 and Rs. 530 from the Irrigational Repair Funds of the current year.

I have the honor to be

Sr

Your most obedient servant

W. Walker Lieut Col. R.E.

Superintending Engineer 7th Division P.P.

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Just as the above was ready for despatch I received a report from Mr. Wiffen, dated 19th May, to the effect that the Catamungalum tank braked on the night of the 17th Idem. He estimates that an out addition of Rs. 144, to the unpaid balance of Rs. 266. of the former estimate will be required to repair the damage sustained. This sum will be forthcoming when the estimate is received.

Wiffen Lieut Col. R. G.
Superintending Engineer

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Copy of Superintending Engineer's
Office Secretary to Government
Copy to Mr. W. R. G.
Admiral
Dated 21st May 1865
Rs. 266
Enclosure 4
Submits 2 Plans and Estimate of Rs. 332 & Rs. 530 for providing Catamungalum for Catamungalum and longer tanks respectively and reports that Catamungalum tank braked on the night of the 17th Idem.
No. 1566-75 (2) 1865/63

Enclosure in letter from
the Superintending Engineer
& Division to the Secretary
to Government D. P. W. R. G.
dated 21st May 1865. Rs. 20

Estimate No. 12 of 1865-66

30.7.1865

Estimate of the probable
expense of providing
of 6 ft. to be built in the
Gangon tank in 1865-66
Range
D. P. W. R. G.
Accounting to Rs. 330

Enclosure in a letter
from the Superintendent
7 Apr to the Secretary to
Govt. 1849. - Read as
dated. 24. 5. May 1850

Colonial 13. 11. 1845. 66

Pr. 18. 22. 45

Colony of the possible
extension of a building
to the hill in the
conjunction with the
General Range -

Aug. - June 18. 45

Announcing 16. 10. 52

Civil Works - Public Works Department

no. 1566

Secretary of the Public Works Department

(Under the Public Works Act 1863)

Read the following.

From the City Engineer

Subject: Estimate of the cost of the proposed works for the improvement of the drainage of the City of London.

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On the recommendation

of the Superintendent

of the City of London

Engineer 7th Dec. 1863

Governor in Council

sanctions the Plans

and Estimates submitted

with this letter for the

following works.

works in the Drainage

works.

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1st - Donating a Calingulak in
the Hoongoon Tank. Rs. 55

2nd - do. do. in the
Vattamungalam Tank. Rs. 33

The cost of the first
work will be met from
the Reserve under "Agricultural,"
but that of the second should
be charged to the sum
of Rs. 500 allotted in
G.O. No. 367 dated
7th February/65 to the Comptroller
Distt for expenditure during
the current official year
on "Minor New Works"

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noted with surprise that,
when presenting Estimates

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Superintending Eng^r
to see that the plans
were properly framed
I cannot permit that
Officers to throw his re-
sponsibility upon the
Executive Officer and
when he has neglected
to make the necessary
enquiries, to complete
being hindered
by his subordinates
this Paragraph must
be altered and the
displeasure of the Gov^t im-
posed upon the Eng^r
who has neglected
his duty & subordination
W. N. S. S.

I imagine the same point on which

for the repair of the
Tanks, Mr. Nissen did
not take the precaution
of ascertaining whether
or not they possessed the
means of discharging their
surplus waters. Had he
done this he would have
provided for the construc-
tion of the Calingulak
and would thereby have
prevented the occurrence
of the damage which the
Vattamungalam Tank
has sustained. The
Superintending Eng^r will
intimate to Mr. Nissen
that the Gov^t view his
negligence on this occa-
sion with displeasure
and

1st May 1865.

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To W 1865 Depo
Pro: of Govt. for June
No. 4566.

Pro: of the Mil. out
of 7th June/65

The estimates
amounting in the
aggregate to Rs. 882
for the construction
of Calingulabs to the
Gongoor & Vahamun
yabum tanks in
the Coimbatore D.
Sanctioned.

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