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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th September 1865.*

No. 369. Read the following letter from Captain R. F. OAKES, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 6th September 1865, No. 986:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward, for the sanction of Government, an estimate of Rupees 1,700, for the re-construction of the Iyahvianaur head sluice and the Vuracunda Talenjairy aqueduct, which passes over it; the former supplies 535½ Vaylies, from which a revenue of Rupees 15,053 is derived, and the latter 62½ Vaylies, yielding Rupees 1,693.

1 Plan.
1 Estimate.

2. The sluice is a very old work, and was reported to be in a dangerous state as far back as 1863 by Captain Mead, who was authorized to collect materials for its re-construction; a large number of bricks were collected, and cubes made, and many of these were used in strengthening the old work temporarily, or it would probably have been carried away, or breached round, for it lost its front wing and part of the rear wing during floods, owing to heavy local rain on the 14th December 1862. The south abutment is much injured, the face walls are cracked, and the cracks extend to the flooring.

3. A correspondence, extending over a year, ensued between the District Engineer and the Range Officer, and then owing to changes in the District the work appears to have been lost sight of till April last, when Mr. Supervisor Donaghue brought the subject to notice, and reported that the re-construction of the sluice was so necessary, and was regarded as of such importance by the Merasidars interested, that they had come forward and engaged to take the contract for the re-construction of the work; this was sanctioned by the Superintending Engineer on the 19th April, but the Merasidars then declined to undertake it, as the season was too far advanced to commence so large a work in a stream like the Palavaur, which is the main surplus of the portion of the District through which it passes, and which is deep and rapid. An estimate of Rupees 20 was accordingly sanctioned for underpinning, &c., &c., but the work is now so shaken that its re-construction cannot be postponed for another year.

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4. On the 2nd May 1865, Government in their Order No. 1,177, sanctioned a sum of Rupees 4,800, for improving the head of the Vadavaur; nothing has been expended on this work, owing to there being nobody to superintend the work in Range No. 1, as Overseer Mr. Edmonds is not now sufficiently active to perform the duties required of an Overseer in so important a Taluq as that of Tanjore, the work will be put in hand as soon as Captain Mead returns to the charge of the Range, but it is probable that the full amount of the Estimate will not be expended up to the 30th April, and I would suggest that Rupees 1,700 should be appropriated for the Iyahvianaur head sluice, or at least that sanction should be granted to commence the sluice, the expenditure on the two works being limited to Rupees 4,800.

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No. 370. ORDER THEREON, 15th September 1865, No. 2,725.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 41.

1. Under the explanation afforded, the Governor in Council sanctions the estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,700, for the re-construction of the Iyahvianaur head sluice and the Vuracunda Talenjairy aqueduct in the Tanjore District.

2. The Government are disappointed to learn from the letter above recorded that although funds, to the full amount of the estimate* for improving the head of the Vadavaur, were allotted on the 2nd May† last, the work has not yet been commenced. As the project is one of importance, and is likely to prove highly remunerative, the Government are unwilling to sanction the diversion to other works of any portion of the grant specially assigned to it, and they request the Superintending Engineer to be good enough to make the necessary arrangements for its being put in hand at once and completed at an early date.

3. The work mentioned in paragraph 1 of these Proceedings may be proceeded with in anticipation of a specific allotment of funds later in the year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exl. S. T. Augustin.

Enclosures.
1 Plan.
1 Estimate.

I have the honor to forward
for the sanction of Government, an Estimate
of Rupees 1700 for the re-construction
of the Iyahvianaur Head Sluice, and the
Vuracunda Talenjairy Aqueduct which
passes over the former supplies 5356
Bazils from which a revenue of 600 1505.3
is derived, and the latter 622 Bazils yielding
Rupees 1692.

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Tanjore 6th September 1865
Captain R. F. Baker R.E.
Suff. Engineer to Gov.
Colonel C. A. Carr R.E.
Secretary to Government
Public Works Dept.
Sir

Superintendent of General
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W. C. Miller
As Subcollector in charge.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government.
Under date the 15th Sept/65.

Read the following -

From the Superintendent
Engineer of the 6th Div.

Forwarding for sanction &
estimate Rs 1700 for
reconstruction Dyavaranaur
Head Sluice

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Dated 6th Sept 1865
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