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3rd November 1865.*

No. 73. Read the following letter from the Acting Collector and Agent to Governor, Vizagapatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Madras, dated Chetterpore, 23rd October 1865, No. 2,211 :—

1. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Orders of Government, Public Works Department, of the 9th instant, No. 2,981, requiring me to return into the Treasury the unexpended balance remaining on the 30th April last, of the allotment of Rupees 7,600, sanctioned on the 7th idem for opening traces in the Goomsoor Maliahs, I have the honor to report, that I have remitted to the Executive, Captain Philipps, the cash balance with me amounting to Rupees 4,268-14-0, and have desired the Superintendent of Police, Captain Stuart, to do the same with the balance with him, viz., Rupees 446-13-9, making a total of Rupees 4,715-11-9.

2. My predecessor, Mr. Foord, has already in his letter of the 27th July last, brought to the notice of Government the circumstances under which expenditure was made after the close of the official year. Considering that the grant was sanctioned within a few days of the expiration of the official year 1864-65, it was simply impossible to expend the money within ten days' time. Operations were commenced on the 19th of April, and Rupees 568-5-6 expended by the close of the month, viz., Rupees 379-9-6 on tools and sundries, and only Rupees 178-12-0 on the road commencing from the Kalingiah Ghát. The work was begun by Captain Stuart at the most perilous season of the year. And the Government will perceive from the

Telegram* from the Inspector General of Police to Mr. Foord, at what personal risk the undertaking was commenced.

3. Captain Stuart returned to Chetterpore on the 3rd June last, from the Maliahs, sick with the hill fever, having however made arrangements for the prosecution of the work on the three roads sanctioned. The work proceeded until positive instructions were received from the Superintending Engineer to put a stop to it in the month of September, when it was discontinued.

4. I trust that under these circumstances the Government will sanction the expenditure already incurred, and that provision may be made for completing the roads during the current year.

5. Adverting to the difficulty experienced in framing out the accounts, I have to report that Captain Stuart having furnished me with the accounts in detail, the necessary forms were prepared in my Office, and despatched to the Superintending Engineer on the 13th instant.

6. The Government will observe that out of the grant of Rupees 7,600, only Rupees 558-5-6 had been spent by the close of the official year, the further expenditure of Rupees 2,325-14-9 was made in the current official year.

1. Transferred to the Department Public Works for disposal.

2. It is in the highest degree desirable that funds should, if possible, be provided to complete these works.

31st October 1865.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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3rd November 1865.

No. 71.

ORDER THEREON, 3rd November 1865, No. 3,313.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 15.

Recorded, with reference to the Order of
the 24th October 1865, No. 3,199.

(True Extract.)

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

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2211. *Ganyam District*
Governor's Agents Office
Chatterpore 23rd October 1865
S. J. Hornhill Esq.

Acting Agent to Governor.

To The Honble A. J. Arbuthnot Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government
Madras

Sir,

Para 1. With reference to para 8 of the
Order of Government P. W. D. of the 9th
instant No. 2981 requiring me to return into
the Treasury the unexpended balance re-
maining on the 30th April last of the al-
lotment of Rs. 7600 sanctioned on the
7th idem for opening traces in the Gommans
Malabs, I have the honor to report, that
I have remitted to the Executive Engineer
Captain Phillips the Cash balance with
an amounting to Rs. 1268.14.0 and
have deputed the Superintendent of Works
Captain Stuart to do the same with the
balance with him Total Rs. 1416.13.9
making a total of Rs. 4715.11.9.

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 circumstances under which expenditure was
 made after the close of the Official Year.
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 Official Year 1864/65, it was simply impossi-
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4. It must be stated that under these circum-
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6. The Government will observe that
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 had been spent by the close of the Official Year,
 the further expenditure of Rs. 2325. 12. 9 was
 made in the current Official Year.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,

Yours most Obedient Servant

W. M. M. M.
 Acting Collector and Agent
 to Government

L. J.
 J. H. Johnson
 R. Clerk

Transf. to the State.
for deposit. It is

in the right place
because that funds
will grow with the
growth of the country
and will be complete
in the end.

J. M. Smith.
Alfred Smith.
31. Oct. 1865.

Edward L. Smith.
Secretary of the State.
Washington, D.C.
Oct. 1865.

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