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14th April 1866.

No. 240. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Tanjore, 31st March 1866, No. 2,115.—

1. In paragraph 12 of Proceedings Chief Engineer's Circular No. CLXXI, of 1857-58, dated 19th January 1858, it was specially ruled that the sums derived from the plantations at the amcuts in

the Tanjore District should be left entirely at the disposal of the District Engineer, and should be expended in keeping up the plantations and affording protection to the river banks, &c., and that after covering such charges the balances in hand on the 30th April should be paid into the Treasury to swell the Local Fund.

2. Though the Order quoted above has never been cancelled specifically, it has been virtually cancelled by Clause IV, paragraph 2 of G. O. No. 2,413, dated 19th August which rules that, "The receipts and expenditure of Public Works disbursements from whatever source obtained and on whatever account disbursed, whether from Local or Imperial Funds, shall be brought into the regular Public Works Accounts so as to be finally passed through the books of the Controller."

3. I have the honor to request that the Order of the 19th January 1858 may not be regarded as cancelled by that of the 19th August 1865, because the nature of the rivers in the District of Tanjore is

CLXXI
No. 2,413.

such that the banks constantly require protection by Nanel planting, or the heads of channels or points of separation of large streams require to be regulated in such a manner as to prevent too large a supply of water passing down either of the streams; very few of the noses at the points of bifurcation are protected by masonry works, as they should be, and it is by Nanel planting chiefly that the noses are maintained in a position to prevent an undue supply passing down either stream; these noses or portions of the plantations at or near the points of separation are often partially injured, and it is necessary at once to restore or renew the Nanel destroyed, or to plant wild cane or Nirnoche; perhaps 1 or 2 Rupees will suffice, if the work is carried out at once, to secure the nose, &c, &c., but if the work is delayed till an estimate has gone through the Range, the Superintending Engineer's and the Collector's Offices, the probability is that a far larger amount is then required, to say nothing of the falling of the river or the destruction of the shoal which may render the planting impossible or useless.

4. It is wonderful how much expense in protective works may be saved by the judicious planting of Nanel at proper times, and though there is no difficulty in making estimates for the works the estimates would often be so absurdly small and so numerous that they would only swell the Progress Reports unnecessarily, and the consequence is that Range Officers are apt to wait till the details of Nanel planting required throughout their Range in a river are furnished, and these are embodied in one estimate, which is submitted so late as to render the execution of the work impossible, or at least retards it, so that the Nanel has not had time to take root and to afford the protection it was intended to afford on the occurrence of the first fresh Captain Chrystie, who has had considerable experience in Tanjore, and to whose care and attention, with respect to Nanel planting, the efficient state of the head of

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the island of Seringum and of the main rivers generally in Range No 1 is chiefly due, will be able to explain more in detail the advantages to be derived from the continuation of the system of management of funds derived from the amcut plantations, as approved by Government in 1858.

5. All sums in hand at the close of the official year were paid into the Treasury, and Accounts Current on the 30th April and 31st October were submitted to the District Engineer, showing receipts and disbursements, details of both being afforded.

No. 241. ORDER THEREON, 14th April 1866, No. 1,144

ACCOUNT, No. 31.

1 The Government do not see any necessity for making the change which is recommended by the Superintendent Engineer of the 6th Division, nor are they aware that the operation of the orders which are contained in Clause 4, paragraph 2 of their Proceedings No. 2,413, dated 19th August 1865, entails any difficulty or inconvenience on the Executive Officers of the Public Works Department.

2. Under the Rules, no estimate is required for a new work or repair, of which the probable cost is less than Rupees 50; and, as it appears from Captain Oakes' letter above recorded that the outlay in the planting of Nanel, in each particular case, does not generally exceed, but is often considerably below that limit, there is nothing to prevent Range Officers authorizing the planting of Nanel, wherever required, from funds which should be placed at their disposal by the Collectors for the purpose from previous balances.

3. To obviate the labor and inconvenience which must attend the entry in the monthly Returns rendered to the Controller of numerous petty charges on account of Nanel planting, the Government direct that the expenditure be shown, in future, in the Range Officers' accounts in the lump against each Taluq under the head "Nanel plantations."

4. The Controller will be good enough to issue such subsidiary instructions as may be necessary for giving effect to these orders

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintendent Engineer, 6th Division.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts

„ Revenue Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Supg Engrs Office B.D.
Sangu 21 March 1866

From,

Captain R. F. Oakes R.E.

Superintending Engineer

To,

Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.

Secretary to Government
S.P.W.

Sir,

E. M. C.
6 January
1858 - No. 9-

In Para 12 of Proceedings
Chief Engineers Circular No. CLXXI
of 5/58, dated 19th January 1858, it
was specially ruled that the
sums derived from the plantations
at the riverbanks in the
Sangu District should be left
entirely at the disposal of the
District Engineer & should
be expended in keeping up the
plantations and affording protection
to the River banks &c and
that after covering such charges
the

the balances in hand on the 30th April should be paid into the Treasury to swell the Local Fund.

Though the order quoted above has never been cancelled specifically, it has been virtually cancelled by Clause IV Para 2 of G.O. No 2413 dated 19th August which rules that "the receipts and expenditure of Public Works disbursements from whatever source obtained & on whatever amount disbursed whether from Local or Imperial Funds, shall be brought into the Regular Public Works Accounts & as to be finally passed through the Books of the Controller".

I have the honor to request that the order of the 19th January 1858 may not be regarded as cancelled

No 2413

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by that of the 19th August '65, because the nature of the Rivers in the District of Punjab is such that the Banks constantly require protection by manual planting on the heads of Channels or points of Separation of large streams require to be regulated in such a manner as to prevent too large a supply of water passing down either of the streams, very few of the noses at the points of bifurcation are protected by masonry works, as they should be, & it is by manual planting chiefly that the noses are maintained in a position to prevent an undue supply passing down either stream; these noses or portions of the plantations at or near the points of separation are often

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to plank wild cane on his rocks;
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in it, but if the Work is delayed
till an Estimate has gone through
the Range - the Superintending
Engineers & the Collectors office,
the probability is that a far
larger amount is then required,
to say nothing of the falling
of the River or the destruction
of the Shoal which may render
the planting impossible or useless.

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of Canal at proper times and
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Captain

Captain Chrystie who has had considerable experience in Sanjore & to whose care & attention with respect to Canal Planting the efficient State of the Head of the Island of Seringum & of the main Rivers generally in Range No 1 is chiefly due, will be able to explain more in detail the advantages to be derived from the continuation of the system of management of funds derived from the Ammi plantations as approved by Government in 1858.

All sums in hand at the close of the official year were paid into the Treasury & accounts current on the 30th April & 31 October were submitted to the District Engineer showing receipts and

disbursements

disbursements, details of both being afforded.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most Obedt servant
W. P. Bates Captain &c
Superintending Eng^r 6th D^o

Public Works Department

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT
Read the following

From the Superintending Engineer
of the 6th Division.

(Here enter No. 2115 dated 31st March 1866.)

The Govt do not see any necessity for making the change which is recommended by the Supg Engr of the 6th Div, nor are they aware that the operation of the orders which are contained in Clause 4, Para 2 of their Proceedings No 2413, dated 19th August /65, entails any difficulty.

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J.
W.D.

P. J. 11/11/11

to the Secy to Govt
6th Division

Order of the
Secy to Govt

1866

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See special case re
quarts sent to attend
the annual survey in
April 1858 in
regards the acquisition
of the lands adjoining
by the side of the
highway and from
the survey and from
the survey and from
the survey and from
the survey and from

inconvenience on
the Executive Office
of the O. N. Dept.

Under the rules,
no estimate is reqd.
for a new work
or repair, of which
the probable cost
is less than \$500.
and, as it appears
from Capt. Baker's
letter above recorded
that the outlay in
the planting of harel,
in each particular
case, does not generally
exceed, but is often
considerably below
that limit, there is
nothing to prevent
Range Officers author-
izing the planting
of harel, wherever

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required, from ~~such~~
local funds ~~which~~
should be ^{placed} at their
disposal by the Collectors
for the purpose from previous balance
to obviate the
labor and incon-
venience which
must attend the
entry in the monthly
Returns rendered
to the Auditor of nu-
merous petty charges
for an account
of harel planting,
the Govt direct that
the expenditure be
shown, ^{in future} ~~in future~~ in the Range
Officers' accounts
in the lump against
each Range under
the head "harel plan-
tations".

To S. B. D. A.
To Auditor
To Rev. Dept.
Sept. 15th 1874. A. pub.

The Auditor will
be good enough to
issue such subordi-

instructions as may
be necessary for
giving effect to these
orders -

P. W. 1866. Department.
Pro: of Govt for April
No 1144

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT of Madras

Dated 11th April 1866

Passing orders on a
letter from the Superintendent
Engineer of the C. & G. Division
relative to the mode
of accounting for the
receipts & expenditures at the
plantations at the
Munro's in the Bangalore
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