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Government of Madras.

*Public Works* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,  
8th January 1869.*

No 109. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Camp at Voilpaud, 26th November 1868, No 3,174 —

1 I have the honor to submit, for the sanction of Government, the accompanying comparative statement and detailed estimate for the Gootloor tank in the Dhurmavaram Talook, Bellary District, showing an increase of Rupees 21,100, or about 55 per cent over the sanctioned estimate

2. The original estimate for restoring the tank, as sanctioned in G O, No 2,907, of 6th October 1863, was Rupees 39,000, which was increased to Rupees 39,400 in G. O, No. 3,255, of 9th November 1863, on a representation from my predecessor that the rate for brick work in chunam was insufficient. If this work had been carried out at that time, it could have been restored at the rates entered, but, during the past year, it has been found that the rates have gone up, most probably influenced by the progress of the Railway works, which during the last two years have been carried out in the Bellary District, and about half this excess may be attributed to this cause, the remainder being for reclosing the breach made in June last, and on which Government have passed orders in July and August (not having the records, I cannot quote the numbers and dates)

3 It was calculated that a return of Rupees 10,345, or 27½ per cent, would be realized on the original estimate of Rupees 39,000, which will now, however, by this supplemental estimate, be reduced to about 17 per cent. There have been several heavy freshes during this year in the nullah which passes through the breach, showing that an ample supply may be expected. During the time that these heavy freshes were passing through the breach in the Gootloor tank, hardly any water came into the Dhurmavaram tank, which is at the distance of only about two miles south of the Gootloor tank, receiving its supply from the southern part of the Bellary District, whereas the Gootloor tank receives its supply from the hills to the north-west of Pennacondah, the drainage of the other side of which passes down to the Anantapoor tank.

**MEMORANDUM  
No 111.**

1. The estimate for the restoration of the Gootloor tank was drawn up in 1860. On the recommendation of the former Superintending Engineer, Lieutenant-Colonel Hemery, conveyed in his letter dated 18th September 1863, it was sanctioned by Government, but a report was called for as to the sufficiency of the rates, Colonel Hemery's reply was to the effect that the rates for brick and lime only would have to be increased, and that the original estimate of 39,000 would thereby be raised to 39,400, which amount was accordingly sanctioned.

2 The work was not commenced till June 1867, and the Superintending Engineer now reports that the rates have proved insufficient. This might reasonably have been expected, but it would have been more satisfactory, if Major Moberly instead of waiting till the work was nearly finished before submitting a revised

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estimate, had represented the insufficiency of the rates, either before, or as soon as possible after the commencement of the work. The whole excess of the revised over the sanctioned estimates amounts to 21,100 Rupees, of which 5,722 Rupees are due to the repair of the damage caused in June last, 7,004 Rupees partly to the same cause and partly to cover omissions in the original estimate, and the balance to a general rise in the rate of earth and rough stone work.

3 The Government will observe that notwithstanding the increased outlay the returns are still expected to reach the high figure of 17 per cent, and that the supply of the tank promises to be favorable.

4. The revised estimate of Rupees 60,500 is recommended for sanction  
FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) J. C. ANDERSON, Colonel R E,  
4th December 1868 Chief Engineer for Irrigation

No 110

ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1869, No 55

**IRRIGATION, No. 8**

No 2,907, 6th October 1863  
,, 3,253, 9th November 1863

1 In the Orders marginally noted, sanction was accorded to an estimate of Rupees 39,400 for the restoration of the Gootloor tank in the Bellary District.

2 The Chief Engineer for Irrigation now submits a revised estimate of Rupees 60,500 for the work, and reports that the excess of Rupees 21,100 is due to a general rise in the rates of earth and rough stone work, to the injury which the tank bund sustained during a heavy fall of rain in June last, and to certain omissions in the sanctioned estimate. It appears that notwithstanding this excess, there is good ground for believing that the work will be amply remunerative, the increase of revenue under the tank being estimated at no less than 17 per cent on the cost of its restoration.

3 Under this explanation, the Government sanction the revised estimate, but they concur in opinion with the Chief Engineer for Irrigation that the Superintending Engineer should have long since brought to notice the insufficiency of the rates provided in the original estimate.

(True Extract)

Colonel, R E,  
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division  
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts,  
,, Accountant General  
,, Chief Engineer for Irrigation  
,, Revenue Department

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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

3rd DIVISION

&c, &c, &c

Dated January, 8th

Recd

Encl

G O, 8th January 1869, No 55

JANUARY

Nos. 109-110

Gootloor Tank.—Revised estimate of  
Rupees 60,500 for the restoration of the  
Gootloor tank, in the Bellary District,  
sanctioned

MEMORANDUM.

REQUESTED for reference the under-mentioned papers

G.O. No. 55 of 8th January 1869 with  
all original Enclosures con-

cerned.  
Sd/- 793-20 Revised Estimate for Gootloor  
Sanctioning Estimate for Gootloor  
Tank Bellary District  
D. H. M. S. S.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF  
ENGR FOR IRRIGATION,  
P. W. Department,  
18-12-1873.)

Head Clerk.

To

The Registrar of the P. W. Dept.

+ 4 Encls Supplied—

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Geddes Tank was drawn up in 1860. On the  
recommendation of the former Superintending Engi-  
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reply was to the effect that the rates for brick  
and lime only would have to be increased; and  
that the original estimate of 39,000, would thereby  
be raised to 39,400, which amount was accord-  
ingly sanctioned.

G.O. N<sup>o</sup> 2907  
dated 6<sup>th</sup> October 63

G.O. N<sup>o</sup> 3255  
dated 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 63

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G.O. No 218  
dated 9 July

The Government will observe that notwithstanding the increased outlay the returns are still expected to reach the high figure of 17 per cent, and that the supply of the Tank promises to be favorable.

The revised estimate of Rs 60,500 is recommended for sanction.

W. S. George  
4 December 1868

Respectfully,  
Colonel R. E.  
Chief Engineer for Irrigation

To  
The Secretary to Government  
Public Works Department

From 12/1/79

The Chief Engineer  
for Irrigation

To

The Secretary to  
Government P.W. Dept.

Dated 4<sup>th</sup> December 1868

Recd 5<sup>th</sup> December 68  
X 3 Encl. Sent to the Chief  
Engineer 11/1/79

Recommends for the sanc-  
tion of Government a revised  
estimate of Rs 60,500 for  
the restoration of the Goot-  
loor Tank Bellary Dis-  
trict.

11/1/79

18/1/79

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 8<sup>th</sup> January/69.  
Read the following

From The Chief Engineer for Irrigation

(Here enter No. 111) dated 14<sup>th</sup> December/68

No 2907 - 6<sup>th</sup> Dec/63.  
" 3255 - 9<sup>th</sup> Nov - "

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The S. Eng<sup>r</sup> & Secy  
" Comptroller (to Secy)  
" Secy to Govt  
" Chief Eng<sup>r</sup> for Irrig<sup>n</sup>  
" Secy to Govt  
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Per Secy

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10/9/69

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The Superintending Engrs  
3rd Division

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No. 109-110

Gooltoor Tank Revised Estimate  
of Rs 60500 for the restoration  
of the Gooltoor tank in the village  
of 1/2, Sanctioned.