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No. 1719

1A.
Superintending Engineer's Office

3rd Division.

Camp Kottala Mural Talook
Kurnool District.

The 21st November 1870.

From,

The Superintending Engineer

3rd Division.

To,

The Secretary to Government

Public Works Department

Fort St George

Enclosures 2.

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that on my examining the accounts of the Quereer of the Holgroms Talook in the Sundial Range Kurnool District found payments entered in both the Cash Book and Receipt both as made by the Quereer himself to the amounts mentioned in the accompanying statement which is an extract from the Receipt book.

2 In the Cash Book and also in the Range Progress Report sent to the Controller the payment is shown for work done as if departmentally but the receipts show the payments as having been made to me and the same may be seen in my opinion can only be looked

upon as a Contractor or Petty Contractor.
Now the Controller has come to our last three
large payments as having been made by the
Owner to one and the same person (one pay-
ment is for Rs 64/18-15-4 on 27th June/90). I
cannot understand as the original stamped
receipts are stated to have been submitted
regularly with the accounts as vouchers.

On inquiring from Mr. Suprenas or
Tardou why agreeably to the rules in the
Manual he had not made these payments
himself and why he had not submitted the
regular Contractor's Certificates he stated that
he did not consider this work as a Contract
as there was no Bond and that he only
considered that a work was given on Contract
when a man bound himself to carry out
all the work provided in an estimate, thus
quite ignoring the possibility of having some
Contractors to supply materials and others to
execute the work.

He further admitted that the work
was being done on petty contract, that he
had given a specification to the man to
explain what work was to be done and that
payment was made on measurement and
approval of the work, but could give no reason
why he had not submitted to the Controller
the usual returns laid down in the Manual.
I can only consider Mr. Tardou's excuses as quibbles
and that he has neglected his duties through

sheer Carelessness, inattention and laziness. He
is of long standing in the Department and
has been for five years a Supervisor and so
cannot plead ignorance. 3X

He appears to me to go about his
business in a listless, apathetic way and to
take no interest in the same; when taken
to task as to why certain work had not been
done which should have been done or why docu-
ments had not been submitted which ought
to have been he has been unable to give any
excuse, merely stating either "it should have
been" or "it should be" or words to that effect.
His examination of the Owner's books seem
to be carelessly done for I found two receipts
in the counterfoil of the Kholgambha Taluk
Owner's Receipt Book which were not signed
by the party who received the money although
there are the signatures of witnesses attesting to
having witnessed the receipt's signature
(and also of the Owner himself) that he had
himself made the payment and Mr. Tardou
initials shortly after to show that he had
examined the book.

I have seen
C. J. Tardou M.B. 18
Supy. Registrar 30/6/90

Memorandum showing payments made to Pally Contractors on the Road from Rampoor Pass to Nundyghanna Ghat.

Name of Pally Contractor	Date of payment	Amount Paid	Remarks
Ramunna	25 January 1870	901.12.3	
do	26 February 70	3571.7.6	
do	31st March 70	2646.6.7	
Rancherla Ramunna	18 June 70	1524.6.5	
do	+ 27 June 70	6418.15.4	
do	+ 27 July 70	978.3.10	
Ramunna	15 August 70	1466.1.2	
do	27 do	2931.8.1	
Rancherla Ramunna	27 October 70	2871.10.11	

+ These two are not signed by the Contractor

W. L. Lloyd *Lindsay R.E.*
Superintending Engineer 3rd Divn

1870-71
From,
The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division.

To,

The Secy. Secy.

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Madras.

No. 1719

Dated 21

1870

Received

Secy. 1. 1

I certify that the above payments have been made to the Pally Contractors on the Road from Rampoor Pass to Nundyghanna Ghat, and that the same are correct and true.

1870-71-15

6.5.11

1870-71.
The Secy. Genl.
34th
The Secy. Genl.
P. W. D.
Date 21st Nov/70.
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Memorandum
showing payments made
to Petty Contractors on the
Road from Rimpore
Cap to Nandi Kaniama
Ghaut.
From Secy. Genl. to Secy. to Govt.
P. W. D.

Pro. of the Madras Govt.
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From the Secy. Genl. to Secy. to Govt. (No. 1719 of 21 Nov 70)

N.
The Govt. are much surprised to learn from this letter that Mr. Supervisor Vardon, in charge of the Special Range of the Kurnool District, has, in contravention of the rules published in the Manual of Public Works Accounts, not only caused the Overseer of the Koilgootla Talook, included in the

Range in question, to
make payments for
work done by a Petty
Contractor in that Talook
but has not submitted
to the Controller the
prescribed Contractor's
Certificates, treating the
work performed by
him as if departmentally
executed. As however
no accusation of any
intention to commit
fraud is made against
the Supervisor, the
Govt will not do
more on the present
occasion than warn

Mr Vardon that ^{of} similar
irregularities will be
severely noticed.

WLB

To The Suptg Engr 3rd Div ✓
Contract ✓
Desp 217/2/70

No 4790

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintendent Engrs
3rd Division

Dated

Recd.

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G. O. 15th Dec 1870, No. 3041

Nos. 2961297

Payments being made on
the basis of the amount of the
30th being to settle the
large ~~amount~~ ^{sum} that has
been made of ^a ~~the~~ City Con-
struction by the Overseer
of the Railways taking in
the ~~same~~ District.