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No. 467. Read the following letter from Major J. F. FISCHER, R. E., Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 31st January 1870, No. 3,812 :—

ADVERTING to paragraph 2 of G. O. of the 20th instant, No. 229, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of a letter received from the Executive Engineer in charge No. 1 Range, Godavery, wherein the details of the charges for watching and keeping in order the harbour steamer and dredges are specified.

One copy of letter, No. 531, dated 25th January 1870.

2. It will be seen from paragraph 2 of Mr. Sage's letter that the estimated cost of watching, etc., can be reduced by dispensing with the services of an Engine Driver. I am, however, of opinion that, as two dredges will have to be sent up to the Chilka Lake, the Engine Driver's services should be retained, and those of a few Lascars dispensed with. The saving will be but trifling at this late part of the Official year, but Mr. Sage will be instructed not to maintain such an establishment in the ensuing year.

3. As in the Order above quoted no mention is made of the amount* required for the repair of the steamers, etc., I beg again that permission may be given me to charge the outlay to the allotment for the repairs to the Cocanada Harbour under the head "Port Funds," or place the amount at my disposal by transfer from other districts.

* Rupees 2,416.

From G. S. SAGE, Esq., in charge of No. 1 or Eastern Delta Range, Godavery District, to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, dated Dowlaishweram, 25th January 1870, No. 531.

IN reply to your memorandum, No. 3,765, without date, forwarding Proceedings of Madras Government, No. 229, dated 20th instant, I have the honour to forward the information called for as follows :—

Watching and tending No. 1 Dredge and 12 Punts for twelve months.

				RS.	A.	P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
One Engine Driver	...	...	...	20	0	0*		
Five Lascars	...	...	...	35	0	0		
Grease	...	...	...	1	8	0		
							56 8 0	
								678 0 0

Watching and tending Steamer "Fred and May" for twelve months.

One Syrang	...	...	...	20	0	0		
One Engine Driver	...	...	...	20	0	0		
One Lascar	...	...	...	7	0	0		
Grease	...	...	...	1	8	0		
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								582 0 0

Watching No. 2 Dredge for twelve months.

Two Lascars	...	...	...	14	0	0		
Grease	...	...	...	1	0	0		
							15 0 0	
								180 0 0
							Contingencies...	60 0 0
							Total...	1,500 0 0

the only item which could be removed with safe

Besides watching steamers, etc., which lie in a tide-way with large numbers of boats working up and down in a confused space, the Lascars have to watch the stock of fuel, (about 1,000 cubic yards wood) : the only item which could be reduced with safety is the Engine Driver of Dredge No. 1, marked*, but he has hitherto been kept on in anticipation of the dredge being worked at the beginning of each year, when it would be difficult to get a good man and one used to the dredge.

No. 468. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1870, No. 617.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 44.

IN his letter, No. 3,463, of the 4th January 1870, the Acting Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division, while bringing to notice the inadequacy of the balance of the Budget grant for repairs under "Miscellaneous Public Improvement" requested permission to charge against the current year's allotment from Port Funds marginally noted a sum of Rupees 3,916 on account of "Establishment for watching Dredges" and for the "Repair of Steamers, etc., belonging to the Cocanada Harbour." As, however, the cost of watching appeared to be unduly high, Major Fischer was requested to furnish with his opinion full details of the estimate.

Godavery.
Harbour Improvements (Port Funds) Rupees 15,000.
Page 49 of Part III. of Budget.

2. The letter at the head of these Proceedings is the reply to this requisition. The Superintending Engineer does not consider it advisable to make any reduction during the current Official year in the cost of the watching establishment, but in this the Government do not agree with him. They are of opinion that two Lascars to each of the three vessels will be ample to watch them and the punts attached to them if they are all moored in a safer position than they seem now to occupy, and His Excellency the Governor in Council desires that the establishment be at once reduced accordingly. Major Fischer will submit a revised statement showing the probable charge which will have to be met under these orders, and the Government, on reviewing the whole of the demands which have to be provided for before the close of the year from savings effected by the stoppage of works, will consider the mode in which the cost of the watching establishment and of the repairs to the Cocanada Harbour Steamers can be adjusted.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. A S. Rodgers.

Dowlaiswaram Ex. Engrs Office
No 331 25th January 1870.

From The Officer in charge
No 1 G. D. Range
Godavery District

To The Superintending Engineer
1st Division, Dowlaiswaram

Sir,

In reply to Your Memo No 376 dated without date forwarding Proceedings of Madras Government No 229 dates 20th Instant, I have the honor to forward the information called for as follows.

Watching and tending No 1 Dredge and 12 Punts for 12 months.

1 Engine Driver	20		
5 Lascars	35		
— Grease	1-8	55-8	678

Watching and tending Steamer Pres and May for 12 months

1 Serang	20		
1 Engine Driver	20		
1 Lascar	7		
— Grease	1-8	48-8	582

Watching No 2 Dredge for 12 months.

2 Lascar	14		
— Grease	1	15	180
		Contingencies	40
		Total Rs:	1500

Besides watching steamers &c which lie in a tide way with large numbers of boats working up and down in a confused space the lascars have to watch the stock of fuel (about 1000 Cubic Yards wood) the only item which could be reduced with safety is

is the Engine Driver of Dredge No 1 marked X but he has hitherto been kept on in anticipation of Dredge being worked at beginning of each year when it would be difficult to get a good man and are used to the Dredge -

Shall I do so

/Signed/ G. S. Sage Ex. Engineer

/True Copy/

Wm. H. Richardson Major R.E.

Asst. Engineer 1st Division

Superintending Engineer's Office, 1st Division

Dowlaishwarum, 31st January 1870

No. 3812

From

Major J. T. Richardson R.E.

Offg Superintending Engineer

1st Division

To

Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.

Secretary to Government D. P. W.

Madras

SIR,

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Executive Engineer's letter No 3011 dated 31st January 1870 forwarded by Superintending Engineer 1st Division Kistnah to Government

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3 As in the order above quoted, no mention is made of the Amount required for the repair of the Steamers &c., I beg again that permission may be given me, to charge the outlay to the allotment for the Repairs to the Cocanada Harbour, under the Head "Port Funds," or place the Amount at my disposal by transfer from other Districts. x Rs: 2,416

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servant

Wm H. Richardson Major R.E.
A.C. Supg Engineer 1st Division

From The A.C. Supg Engineer
1st Division
To The Secretary
to Government F.W.D.
Madras
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Forwards Copy of a letter from the Officer in charge 1st Range, Godavery, shewing the particulars of charges for watching &c the Harbour Steamers & Dredges and requests permission to charge the Amount to the allotment for repairs to Cocanada Harbour.

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Under date the 25th July 1870

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Supg Engineer 1st Dvn Here enter No 3812 of 31st Dec 1870

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To

The Superintending Engineer

1st Division

Dated

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Nos. 167-168

Cocanada Harbour, Passing orders on the letter from the Lady Engr of the 1st Div furnishing the information called for regarding the charges for watching Presses and for the repair of Steamers, &c, belonging to the Cocanada Harbour in the Godavery &c.

To
The S. Engr 1st Div
" Comte

Desp 24/2/70.