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10th September 1870.*

No. 165. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Suttiamungalam, August 1870, No. 107 :—

I HAVE the honour to bring to your notice the necessity for an additional allotment of at least Rupees 3,000, at present, under the head of Repairs, Military, in the Malabar District, to enable me to make an appropriation for petty repairs constantly required at Cannanore, in conformity with the orders of Government in paragraph 2 of G. O., No. 1,766, of 23rd July, and to provide for the house-rent of the Officer Commanding Calicut, as also to meet the ordinary repairs during the course of the year.

2. The Budget allotment for the current year is Rupees 16,000, or Rupees 1,212 less than the actual expenditure of 1869-70, including the amount of Rupees 360 disbursed by the special Officer in charge of Cochin, under the authority of G. O., No. 1,675, of 21st May 1869. The amount now applied for exceeds the last year's expenditure by Rupees 1,788, which is more than accounted for by our having had to appropriate Rupees 2,548 this year against Rupees 926 paid in the past for rent of the West Hill Barracks, and Rupees 1,200 against Rupees 400 for house-rent for the Officer Commanding Calicut, these barracks not having been occupied for nearly six months last year.

3. The Government will observe that, notwithstanding the proposal contained in my letter, No. 70, of 7th July, by which house-rent for the Officer Commanding Calicut will be saved from 1st October 1870, the full amount of Rupees 1,200 is nevertheless required, owing to a sum of Rupees 400, paid last year from October 1869 to January 1870 from duly sanctioned allotment, not having been admitted by the Controller in the accounts of 1869-70. The Controller states in his letter,* No. 238, of 8th July, that bills for the house-rent not having been

* Extract enclosed. received by him in time to be audited and passed, the expenditure was not included in the accounts of 1869-70, and therefore the allotment made that year lapsed, and that a fresh allotment is required in the current year. The Range Officer reports that bills were not sent because they were not called for till 11th March 1870, for expenditure which continued to appear in the Progress Reports from November 1869, supported by vouchers, which the Controller returned to the Range Officer with his Memorandum of 11th March; and further no notice was given to this office of the probability of the last year's grant lapsing till receipt of the Controller's letter of 8th July of the present official year. The Controller, therefore, appears to be the party responsible for allowing last year's allotment to lapse, having delayed calling upon the Range Officer to supply the bills till it was too late for him to submit them within the official year.

No. 166. ORDER THEREON, 10th September 1870, No. 2,177.

ACCOUNT, No. 16.

THE Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division must be aware that no funds are at the disposal of Government for appropriation to Repairs. He will therefore make provision for charges such as

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house-rent, etc., the payment of which cannot be postponed, and restrict the outlay on *bona fide* repairs in the Malabar District to such amount as may be available after such provision has been made.

2. Adverting to paragraph 3, the Government have ascertained that the first charge on account of rent paid for the quarters occupied by the Officer Commanding Calicut appeared in the accounts of the Officer in charge of the Calicut Range for November 1869* under "Repairs Military." This charge was disallowed under

* Rupees 100.

that head in the Controller's clearance dated 27th January last, and placed under "Miscellaneous Advances," pending the receipt of explanations as to the authority under which the payment had been made. A copy of the Order of Government of the 10th January 1866, No. 104, was not furnished to the Controller till the 3rd March 1870, and, on the 11th idem, the Range Officer was instructed to furnish bills, in lieu of the vouchers submitted, together with the landlord's receipts duly stamped, and the prescribed certificate that no public quarters were available, and that the rented building continued to be absolutely requisite for public purposes. Further instructions upon this subject were applied for by the Range Officer on the 24th

* 29th June 1870.

May, and as it was too late, when the complete bills were received,* to adjust the amount (increased from Rupees 100 in November 1869 to Rupees 400 in March 1870) standing under "Miscellaneous Advances," by a credit to that head, and debit to "Repairs Military" in the accounts for the last month of 1869-70, which were closed towards the end of May, the Range Officer was instructed to adopt this mode of adjustment in his accounts for the current official year. Hence, a grant was necessary when the charge of Rupees 400, rightly appertaining to 1869-70, appeared as a final debit under "Repairs Military" in the accounts for 1870-71, and the Controller very properly pointed out that a specific assignment should be made to cover this item of expenditure, as well as that directly appertaining to the current official year.

3. The Controller's call for the house-rent bills having been despatched, as stated above, on the 11th March, there was ample time, had the Range Officer acted with promptitude, to arrange for their adjustment in the accounts of the past official year.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Encl. S. T. Augustin.

No 107

Supt. Engineer's Office,
7th Division,

Camp Sattiamangalam
20th August 1870

From,
Lieut Colonel W. Farewell R.E.
Supt. Engineer,

To,
The Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.
Madras.

Sir,

Enclosure 3

- 1 Extract from
Controller's letter
N. 236 of 8 July 1870
- 1 Letter from Calicut
Range Officer
N. 302
- 1 Copy of Controller's
letter N. 132 of 11
March 1870

I have the honor to bring to
your notice the necessity for an
additional allotment of at least
Rs 3000. at present under the head
of Repairs Military in the Malabar
District, to enable me to make an
appropriation for Petty Repairs
constantly required at Cannanore,
in conformity with the orders of
Government in para 2 of G.O.
N. 1766 of 23 July, and to provide
for the House Rent of the Officer
Commanding, Calicut, as also to
meet the ordinary repairs during
the

the course of the year -

2. The Budget Allotment for the Current year is Rs 16,000, or Rs 12,12 less than the actual expenditure of 1869/70, including the amount of Rs 360. disbursed by the Special Officer in charge of fochin, under the authority of G.O. No 1675 of 21st May 1869. The amount now applied for exceeds the last year's expenditure by Rs 2,788, which is more than accounted for by our having had to appropriate Rs 2,548 this year against Rs 926 paid in the past, for rent of the West Hill Barracks, & Rs 1,200 against Rs 400. for House rent for the Officer Commanding Salient, these Barracks not having been occupied for nearly 6 months last year -

3. The Government will observe that

that, notwithstanding the proposal contained in my letter No 70 of 7th July by which House rent for the Officer Commanding Salient will be saved from 1st October 1870, the full amount of Rs 1,200 is nevertheless required owing to a sum of Rs 400. paid last year from October 1869 to January 1870 from daily sanctioned allotment not having been admitted by the Comptroller in the Accounts of 1869/70 - The Comptroller states in his ⁺ Extract enclosed letter No 238 of 8th July that Bills for the House rent not having been received by him in time to be audited & passed, the expenditure was not included in the Accounts of 1869/70, and therefore the Allotment made that year lapsed, and that a fresh Allotment is required in the Current year - The Range Officer reports that Bills were not sent because they

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Under date the 10th ^{September} ~~August~~ 1870

Read the following

From the act of Sups. Augment

of the 7th Div. (H. E. No 107 of 25th Aug 1870)

The Sups. of the 7th Division must be aware that no funds are ^{at} the disposal of Govt. for appropriation to Repairs. He will therefore make provision for charges such as house rent &c. the payment of which cannot be postponed, and restrict the outlay on bona fide repairs in the Malabar District to such amount as may be available

after

No 107 of 25th Aug 1870
The Ag. Sups. Encl. 8th
7th Div.

To The Secretary to Govt.
H. E. Madras

No 107

Dated 20th
Despatches 25th } Aug 1/70
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Enclosures 3

Applies for an additional allot of Rs 3000 under Repairs military Malabar

No 2177-10th Sept 70

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after such provision has
been made.

2. Adverting to para 3
the Govt. have ascertained
that the first charge on
account of rent paid for
the quarters occupied by
the Officer Commanding
Canton appeared in the
Accounts of the Officer in
charge of the Canton Range
for Nov/69 under "Re-
pairs Military". This
charge was disallowed
under that head in the
Controller's clearance
dated 27th January last,
and placed under "Mis-
cellaneous Advances", pend-
ing the receipt of

+ Rs. 100

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Explanation as to the authority
under which the payment
had been made. A copy
of the order of Govt. of the
10th January 1881, No. 104, was
not furnished to the Con-
troller till the 3rd March 1881,
and on the 11th Idem, the
Range Officer was instructed
to furnish bills in lieu of
the vouchers submitted,
together with the landlords
receipts duly stamped, and
the prescribed certificates
that no public quarters
were available, and that the
rented building continued to
be absolutely requisite
for public purposes. Further
instructions upon this subject

here

were applied for by the Range Officer on the 24th May and as it was too late, when the complete bills were received, to adjust the amount (increased from Rs: 100 in Nov/69 to Rs: 400 in March/70). Standing under "Miscellaneous advances," by a credit to that head, and debit to "Repairs Military" in the accounts for the last month of 1869/70, which were closed towards the end of May, the Range Officer was instructed to adopt this mode of adjustment in his accounts for the current official year. Hence, a grant was necessary when the charge of

+ 29th June/70.

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of Rs: 400, rightly appertaining to 1869/70, appeared as a final debit under "Repairs Military" in the accounts for 1870-71, and the Controller very properly pointed out that a specific apportionment should be made to cover this item of expenditure, as well as that directly appertaining to the current official year.

3. The Controller's call for the house rent bills having been despatched, as stated above, on the 11th March, there was ample time, had the Range

Range Officer acted with
promptitude to arrange
for their adjustment in
the accounts of the past
official year.

W.B.

Copy made 7th Dec with three
enclosures
Inspector R. H. Acers.

Dec 12/9/70.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Superintending Eng^r.
7th Division.

Dated

Recd.

G. O. 10th Sept 1877, N^o 2177

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Funds. Papering orders on two
letters from the Superint^g of the
7th Divⁿ applying for bringing
to notice the necessity for ad-
ditional funds being allotted
under the head "Repairs
Military" in the Malabar
District.