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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 4th December 1871.

No. 67. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 17th November 1871, No. 2,549 :—

In returning the enclosed Teloogoo petition and its translation which has been referred to me for investigation and report, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of a letter received from Captain Beckley, R.E., on special duty in Ganjam, together with the correspondence as per margin, which has taken place between this office and Mr. Harris, regarding the amount due to the petitioners for work done by them on the Ganjam Port road.

Letter No. 82 of 4th August 1871, from Mr. Harris.
Memorandum No. 1,608 of 18th August 1871, from Superintending Engineer.
Letter No. 102 of 1st September 1871, from Mr. Harris.

2. The estimate for this road was sanctioned in G. O., No. 339, dated 4th February 1871, and an allotment of Rupees 1,500 was made for it in the year 1870-71 from Port Funds. From this grant Rupees 848-0-2 only were expended in that year, and the balance, namely, Rupees 651-15-10, was left unutilized.

3. The Range Officer had early in April 1871 applied for the whole balance* of the estimate for completing the work in the current official year; but Government have in Order No. 218, dated 4th August 1871, allotted only a portion of the amount applied for, namely, Rupees 651-15-10. This sum has already been placed at the disposal of the Range Officer.

* Rupees 2,152.

4. Mr. Harris is to blame for not having indented for sufficient credits to meet all the requirements of his range in the month of March 1871. His explanation for not having paid to the contractors in the year 1870-71 for work done in that year is not satisfactory I regret to add.

No. 68. Order thereon, 4th December 1871, No. 3,065.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 3.

The Government agree with the Superintending Engineer in considering that Mr. Harris is to blame for not having settled the claims of the contractors for the road from the Custom-house to the merchants' godown in Ganjam from the grant which was available last year.

2. It is presumed that the amount due has been paid since the grant of Rupees 651-15-10 was made in G. O., Marine Department, dated 4th August 1871.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
,, Marine Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No. 2. Range Office
Berampoor 3
No. 82. 4th August 1871.

From The Executive Engineer
In charge No. 2. Range Ganjam

To. The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Sir,

I beg you will be solicited as to appropriate funds at your earliest convenience for the Road from Custom House to the Merchants Godams at Ganjam as I have several payments to be made which are kept back for want of funds.

I beg also to inform you that funds for the 15 feet Bridge built at the 7th mile on Trunk Road have not been appropriated, I request you will be kind enough to appropriate funds for it also at your earliest convenience.

I have &c. &c.
/Sgd/ T. D. Harris
Executive Engineer

/True Copy/

Lieut. Hutchins Major R.E.
Ag. Supg. Engineer 1st Dn.

Supg. Engineer's Office, 1st Division

Dowlaishwarum, 18th August 1871.

No. 1608

MEMORANDUM.

Enclo.

With reference to his letter No. 82 dated 4th August 1871, the Executive Engineer in charge No. II Range Ganjam is informed that applications for funds for the works alluded to have already been made to the Master Attendant Madras & to Government, but the requisite amounts have not been allotted, and therefore no expenditure should be incurred on these works in the absence of funds.

2. As Mr. Harris states that he has several payments to make on account of the Road from the Custom House to the Merchants godown at Ganjam, he will report whether the payments in question are for work done in the previous year or in this year, If in the latter full explanation will be furnished as to why the work was proceeded with without an allotment.

Sd/ J. O. Hasted Capt. R.E.
for Supg. Engineer 1st Div.

To. The Executive Engineer of No. 2 Range Ganjam.

True Copy

W. T. Thacker Major R.E.
Ag. Supg. Engineer 1st Div.

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No: 2. Range Office
Camp Ramba
1st September 1871

No: 102.

From, The Executive Engineer
In charge No: 2 Range Ganjam

To, The Superintending Engineer
Pt: Division

Sir, With reference to para 2 of your Memo No: 1608 dated 18th Ultimo, I beg to state for your information that the payments due are for the work done in the month of March 1871- I was unable to pay as the funds at my disposal in the Drawing Account was insufficient.

I have &c &c

/Sgd/ T. D. Harris
Executive Engineer

/True Copy/

Lieut: Col: Jenkins Major R.E.
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Special Executive Engineer's Office
Camp Aska 1st November 1871.

No: 176.

To
The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Encls: 2.

Sir,

I have the honor to return the petition sent by some natives of Ganjam to Secretary to Government D. P. W. and forwarded by you to myself for report with your letter No: 1950 dated 22nd September 1871.

2. Mr. Harris states that he owes some Contractors the petitioners being of the number Rs. 651-15-10 for work performed on the Ganjam Port Road, the work was done in 1870, at the end of that year an allotment was made for the work but there were no funds available in the Treasury in 1871 when money was available in the Treasury no allotment has been made in the Budget, Mr. Harris states all the circumstances have been reported to you, it is of course most objectionable that Contractors should be kept out of their money for so long a period but Mr. Harris appears to consider he had good grounds for believing that funds would be available at the time he gave out the Contract.

3. I have sent two letters to those Ganjam Contractors stating the case to them and requesting them to appear before me or write to me, if they have any thing further to communicate but no answer had been returned from them.

I have &c.
Sd/ J. Beckley Capt. R.E.
Executive Engineer. on Special duty. Ganjam.

True Copy

W. T. Dickens Major R.E.
Ag. Supdg. Engineer 1st Div.

P. R. 55 of 6/11/71.

Enclosures in addtr
No 2549 dated 17/11/71
Executive Engineer
Dowlaishwaram
Superintending Engineer
1st Division
Secretary to Govt D. P. W.
Madras

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE, 1ST DIVISION.

DOWLAISHWARUM, 17th November 1871

No. 2549

From

Major J. T. Fischer R. E.

Acting Superintending Engineer

1st Division

To

Colonel J. Carpendale R. E.

Secretary to Government D. P. W.

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I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Most Obt. Servant
Alex Fletcher Major R.E.
Ag. Inspr. Engineer 1st Div

Public Works Dept
No 3065
Proceedings of the Madras Govt
Read the following

From
The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.
Madras

To C.E. No 2 Southern Div

The Govt wish to agree with the Super intending Engineer in considering that Mr Harris is to blame for not having settled the claims of the Contractors for the road from the Custom House to the Merchants Godown in Cuddalore, from the grant which was available last year.

Pd 4th February 71 Rs 80 84
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Offr: Govt Jr Secy
From No 5566.
The Agt Superintending Engineer
1st Division

To
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.
Madras

Dated 17th November 1871
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No 2549.
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Returns the Telugu petition from certain contractors of Cuddalore relating to non payment of money due to them for work done with copy of an explanatory letter from Executive Engineer Mr Harris and offers certain remarks on the same.

No 3065 - 4th Dec 71

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Ex. 25. Jan. 1871. P. 284

Pd by

Ex. Memorandum that
the amount due Rao
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the grant of Rs. 651.15.10
was made in P. W.
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Govt. of {1871} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Dy Superintending Engr
1st Circuit

Dated

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G. O. 4th Dec 1871, No. 3065.

Nos. 6/168

Road from the Custom House to the Merchants' Godown in Ganjam. Passages in letter from the Superintending Engr 1st Circuit dated 2nd Oct 1871 requesting permission from Certain Contractors [illegible] praying that they may be paid for work done by them from the Custom House to the Merchants' Godown in Ganjam.