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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 8th December 1871.

No. 144. Read the following letter from the Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 27th November 1871, No. 84:—

I HAVE the honour to report that on the 19th ultimo the Agent and Manager, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, informed* me that an Assistant in the Chief Engineer's Office was not required, and inquired whether a portion of the salary sanctioned for the Assistant might be alienated 'to provide further drafting and clerical assistance;' and as I was aware that the establishment† sanctioned for the Chief Engineer's Office was small, and that the submission of certain revised estimates was delayed owing to the insufficiency of the establishment, I informed the Agent that he was at liberty to distribute, in the manner which might prove to me most conducive to the interests of the Company, the sum sanctioned by Government in G. O., No. 2,548.

Enclosures five, to be returned.
* No. 415.

G. O., No. 2,548, 6th October 1871.

† Rupees 234.

No. 156, 21st October.

2. On the receipt of the statement of appointments, transfers, etc., in October, I observed that the salaries of twelve members of the Agent's and Chief Accountant's establishments, as given in the list entered in G. O., No. 2,041, of 8th August, had been augmented by small sums aggregating Rupees 85 in all, and that the Chief Engineer's establishment had been increased by Rupees 40 by the appointment of two extra Draughtsmen. The salary* of the Head Clerk who had resigned having been divided between two Clerks, thus the strength of the Chief Engineer's establishment was increased by one Clerk and two Draughtsmen, and for this augmentation I would solicit the sanction of Government, the amount being met from the saving effected owing to the non-appointment of an Assistant to the Chief Engineer.

* Rupees 120.

3. With reference to the augmentation of the salaries of twelve members of the Agent's and Chief Accountant's establishments, the Agent explains in his No. 433, dated 21st instant, that the establishment entertained under G. O., No. 2,041, was in fact dismissed on the 30th September, the date up to which its entertainment had been sanctioned, and that some of the members of that establishment were re-entertained on the 1st October under G. O., No. 2,548, of 6th October, in which Rupees 1,266 were provided for the Agent's office; no details of the distribution of this sum were given in the Agent's application, and as the expenditure on establishment in October amounted to Rupees 1,165-3-9 against Rupees 1,266 sanctioned in G. O., No. 2,548, the Examiner will be authorized to pass the salaries given to the members of the establishment entertained from the 1st October.

4. The Agent has applied for a retention of the staff on a salary of Rupees 7,300 per mensem after the 31st December, the date up to which the establishment has been sanctioned in G. O., No. 2,548, 6th October; but as the strength of the staff may be reduced by the abolition of the appointment of an Assistant to the Chief Engineer, and by reductions in the Agent's, etc., office establishments, he

has been requested to furnish a detailed list of the establishment which may be required after the 1st January 1872, and on the receipt of his reply the orders of Government will be solicited on the subject.

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 19th October 1871, No. 415.

In continuation of my No. 400 of 28th September, I have the honour to inform you that I have again urged Mr. Browning to press forward the copying of the plans and estimates for the calingulah project; but I fear that, with the very small staff he now has at his disposal, the progress must be slow.

2. I must explain that when I submitted an estimate of establishment for the three months ending 31st December, it was with great reluctance that I included so highly paid an officer in the Chief Engineer's Office as an Assistant on Rupees 650, and in my last conference with Mr. Latham, just before his departure, we agreed to dispense with that officer, but it was then too late to alter this estimate and substitute other means, the estimate having already been submitted to Government.

3. I believe, however, that a gross sum of Rupees 884 (650 + 234) having been sanctioned for the Chief Engineer's Office, it is competent for me to distribute that or a lesser sum in such manner as I may deem most efficient.

4. I shall feel obliged if you will inform me whether you concur in this view or *not*.

5. In the latter alternative, I would request your concurrence to my disbursing Rupees 100 (against the 650 sanctioned for an "*Assistant*") to provide further drafting and clerical assistance in lieu.

Statement showing appointments, transfers, alteration in salary and allowance, leave, return to duty, resignation and dismissal in October 1871.

Name.	Rank.	Division.	Salary and allowance. Rs. A. P.	Alteration to salary and allowance. Rs. A. P.	From what date.
Appointments.					
Mahomed Silaymon Saib ...	Overseer ...	Cons. Upper Section. ...	12 0 0	.....	6th Sept. 1871.
Sadathkhan	Do. ...	Do. ...	15 0 0	.....	1st Oct. ,,
		Allowance...	10 0 0	.....	
C. Ragava Moodelly ...	Draughtsman	Central Office ...	40 0 0	.....	1st ,, ,,
P. Thumby Pillay ...	Do.	Do. ...	25 0 0	.....	1st ,, ,,
V. Kotayya	Writer ...	Do. ...	20 0 0	.....	1st ,, ,,
Assoodoolakhan ...	Overseer ...	Cons. Upper Section. ...	15 0 0	.....	1st ,, ,,
		Allowance...	10 0 0	.....	
S. Daniel	Clerk ...	Central Office ...	50 0 0	.....	21st ,, ,,
M. V. Narrainsawmy ...	Draughtsman	Do. ...	25 0 0	.....	20th ,, ,,
M. V. Aroonachellum ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	20 0 0	.....	20th ,, ,,
Name to be reported ...	Cons. Overseer	Do. ...	20 0 0	.....	20th ,, ,,
T. Michael	Do. ...	Lower Section ...	18 0 0	.....	1st Sept. ,,
		Allowance...	7 0 0	.....	
C. Moonesawmy	Do. ...	Do. ...	10 0 0	.....	13th Oct. ,,
		Allowance...	5 0 0	.....	
Alteration in Salary and Allowance.					
Mr. A. P. Goolamier... ...	Chief Clerk ...	Agent's Office ...	100 0 0	110 0 0	1st ,, ,,
,, J. T. D'Lima	Postage ,, ...	Do. ...	35 0 0	50 0 0	1st ,, ,,
,, Balasoondra Moodelly ...	Clerk	Do. ...	20 0 0	25 0 0	1st ,, ,,
,, S. A. Simon	Do. ...	Do. ...	20 0 0	25 0 0	1st ,, ,,
T. Mootoosawmy Moodelliar ...	Second Assistant to the Chief Accountant.	Do. ...	130 0 0	140 0 0	1st ,, ,,
S. Ramachendra Naidoo	Examiner	Do. ...	50 0 0	55 0 0	1st ,, ,,
N. Vurtharajooloo Naidoo ...	Do.	Do. ...	50 0 0	55 0 0	1st ,, ,,
D. Rungasawmy Moodelly ...	Do.	Do. ...	35 0 0	40 0 0	1st ,, ,,
P. Ramasawmy Moodelly ...	Do.	Do. ...	30 0 0	35 0 0	1st ,, ,,
Mr. McKenzie	Ledger-keeper ...	Do. ...	40 0 0	50 0 0	1st ,, ,,
C. Jagenadon Pillay	Examiner	Do. ...	55 0 0	60 0 0	1st ,, ,,
P. Gnanathecum	Clerk	Do. ...	20 0 0	25 0 0	1st ,, ,,
Thumby Pillay	Draughtsman ...	Central Office ...	25 0 0	40 0 0	20th ,, ,,

Statement showing appointments, transfers, alteration in salary and allowance, etc.—(Concluded.)

Name.	Rank.	Division.	Salary and allowance.	Alteration to salary and allowance.	From what date.
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Transfer.					
C. Ragava Moodelly	From Estimator to Head Clerk ...	Central Office	40 0 0	70 0 0	21st Oct. 1871.
S. D. Francis	,, Signaller to Overseer ...	Cons. Lower Section ...	20 0 0	18 0 0	1st ,, ,,
		Allowance ...	.....	7 0 0	
Leave.					
Nil.					
Return to duty.					
Nil.					
Resignation.					
Mr. T. W. Peppin	Head Clerk	Central Office	120 0 0	.....	20th ,, ,,
,, N. Beal	Overseer	Cons. Upper Section ...	40 0 0	.....	30th Sept. ,,
		Allowance...	15 0 0	.....	
Dismissal.					
E. D. Mathews, Esq. ...	Assistant to Chief Engineer ...	Central Office	600 0 0	.....	30th ,, ,,
		Allowance...	50 0 0	.....	
N. Munnaroo Naidoo ...	Store Clerk	Hindry Division ...	50 0 0	.....	30th ,, ,,
Mr. E. Almond ...	Signaller	Cons. Upper Section ...	24 8 0	.....	30th ,, ,,
V. Ramasawmy ...	Do.	Do.	17 8 0	.....	30th ,, ,,
T. Dorasawmy Naidoo ...	Clerk	Agent's Office	25 0 0	.....	31st Oct. ,,

FORWARDED to the Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government for information.

(Signed) F. H. HENSLOWE.
Agent and Manager.

No. 428.

MADRAS,
10th November 1871.

rom the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 21st November 1871, No. 433.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, No. 174, and am ery much surprised at any exception being taken to my *new organization* of my establishment.

2. It would perhaps have been more correct had I, instead of reporting "*alterations*" in laries, reported the *dismissal* of all the employés on the 30th September (for they *all* had notice id many did actually leave the Company's service), and the appointment on the 1st October of ose who actually compose my *new establishment*.

3. The facts are as follow :—

The order of Government of the 8th August, No. 2,011, which you quote, is no longer in istence. That order authorized me to expend Rupees 1,071-8-0 per mensem on the maintenance the Agent's establishment in Madras.

4. But the operation of that order *was limited to 30th September. On the 30th September* at order *expired*, and my establishment expired with it. But it was indispensable to carry on e Company's business. The same routine of business went on in October as in September, and was my duty, not an easy one, to provide for it with a *reduced* staff.

5. In order to meet this, I applied to Government for authority to expend a monthly sum of upees 1,266, which Government granted *unconditionally* by their Order No. 2,548, and I have en very good care *not* to exceed that sum.

6. My establishment for September included fifty-seven individuals of whom 14 were Clerks d 11 Accountants under a sanction for the expenditure of Rupees 1,671-8-0.

7. My establishment for October included only forty-two individuals, of whom nine were Clerks seven Accountants, and the cost was only Rupees 1,165-3-9 against a sanction of Rupees 1,266.

8. While to obtain the performance of the aggregate work required it became indispensable t some of the employés retained (or more correctly *re-employed*) should receive for doing more rk a *small* increase of pay, I found it practicable to secure the services of two old and experi- ed servants of the Company at a *reduced rate of pay* as reported in my September returns, ch appears to have escaped your notice, the saving thus effected amounted to Rupees 82.

9. Although the principle has always hitherto been acted upon by the Government of not erfering with appointments or individuals, yet it is incumbent upon me to state that several of se who have received a slight increase of pay in the new organization are now *very much derpaid*. For instance, Mr. Goolamier, my Chief Clerk, is now for a remuneration of Rupees discharging the duties (and discharging them *well*) which have for seven years cost the Company pees 350 per mensem. I am free to admit that with a reduced establishment the Chief Clerk's ies are not quite so onerous, but at the same time, looking to Mr. Goolamier's ability and intelli- ice, his uniform and zealous industry, his scrupulous regularity and punctuality and general iency, I value his services *fully* at Rupees 200 per mensem, whereas he only draws Rupees 110.

10. Mr. D'Lima again was promoted from a Clerkship on Rupees 35 to take the post Mr. olamier formerly held, and it was altogether through an oversight that in the schedule submit- to Government with my No. 307, of *14th July*, provision was not made for making his salary *that time* Rupees 50, and at that sum he is considerably underpaid.

11. With reference to your paragraph 2, pray observe that my establishment is now quite *ew* one on a new and economical organization.

12. I trust this explanation will be quite sufficient to satisfy you that the Order of Government, 2,548, fully authorizes the very economical organization I have now effected, and that I have efully kept well within the limits of the sanction.

13. I am not now in a position to report upon the expenditure on the Kurnool establishment October, but will address you upon that subject, as well as upon the other points adverted to in r letter, so soon as I am in possession of the facts required.

14. I ought to have stated that *of necessity* my new establishment was organized under the authority of the G. O. long before the receipt of your letter of the 21st October, which in no way affects *my* establishment. I *believe* it will be found that the Kurnool establishment (however insufficient) comes within the Rupees 234 (October); but in case Mr. Browning should have found it impossible to get on with so small a staff, I would submit that the *principle* confirmed in your letter was adopted by Major Mullins and has always been acted upon, and I only addressed you because the sanction for the Chief Engineer's Assistant being a large sum made it an exceptional case. At the same time I hope on reflection you will concede that *paying a salary* on the 1*st November* would not be giving a retrospective action to your letter of 21*st October*.

No. 145. ORDER THEREON, 8th December 1871, No. 3,103.

IRRIGATION, No. 5.

THE proposals made in this letter are sanctioned, and the Government await a further report on the Establishment that it is proposed to maintain after the 31st December 1871.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.

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