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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 466, 467	2801	Press / Mis.
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No. 466. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 5th October 1872, No. 2,453:—

WITH reference to paragraph 2 of G. O., No. 2,077, dated 30th August 1872, I have the honour to forward herewith, for the information of Government, copy of a letter received from Mr. Hannan explaining why the grants for the Tahsildar's Cutcherries at Rajahmundry and Peddapur could not be fully utilized in the year unless these works were progressed with too rapidly.

2. I certainly agree with Mr. Hannan that very rapid progress with these buildings can only be made at a sacrifice of good workmanship, especially as the walls require to be built with more than ordinary care.

From the Assistant Engineer in charge, No. 6 Range, Godavery District, to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, dated Samulcottah, 26th September 1872, No. 264.

IN reply to your memorandum No. 2,244, dated 17th instant, I have the honour to state that judging from the progress which has been already made on the Peddapur Taluq Cutcherry, I do not think that the grant for this work can be utilized within the official year; the work is at present in abeyance owing to the heavy rains. As regards Rajahmundry Cutcherry, this work has not yet been commenced and cannot be gone on with for another month or so, and I do not think the allotment, Rupees 8,000, can be fully expended. I shall, however, make every effort to expedite both these works that can be made. The walls of both Cutcherries are unusually thin, and in consequence require to be built with more than ordinary care; but owing to the large number of masonry works now in progress in the district only a limited number of good bricklayers can be procured for building these Cutcherries, and consequently very rapid progress can only be made at a sacrifice of good workmanship.

No. 467. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1872, No. 2,801.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 24.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council is constrained to express his dissatisfaction with the management of these important Public Works in the Godavery District.

2. An estimate of Rupees 22,560 for the Peddapur Cutcherry was sanctioned in July 1869, and outlay has been incurred upon it to the following extent, namely,—

	RS.
1868-69	... 473
1869-70	... 4,047
1870-71	... 2,433
Total ...	6,953

and an allotment of Rupees 9,000 was made in the Budget of 1872-73, communicated to Superintending Engineers in G. O., No. 769, of 18th March 1872. Yet at the end of September 1872, the Range Officer reports the work to be in abeyance owing to the heavy rains.

3. An estimate of Rupees 15,850 for the Rajahmundry Cutcherry on the revised plan approved in G. O., No. 590, of 11th April 1872, was not sent in till August, although Rupees 2,460 were allotted and spent in 1870-71, and Rupees 8,000 entered

in the Budget of 1872-73. And now report is made that the work was not commenced at the end of September, and cannot be undertaken for another month or so.

4. The Governor in Council cannot approve of the Superintending Engineer's endorsement of the Range Officer's excuses, especially in the case of the Peddapur Cutcherry, which has been so long in hand. The months of April and May are dry months, and the rains of the south-west monsoon in the Godavery District are not sufficient to interfere materially with ordinary building operations. It is a common complaint in the Revenue Department that funds for Cutcherries and Jails are not fully utilized when granted; and the Government expect that Public Works Officers will cease to afford such good grounds of complaint as have been evidenced in these Proceedings.

5. It is further remarked that no revised estimate has yet been submitted for the Prattipaud Cutcherry, although the Range Officer's letter of June last shows that he was perfectly aware it was then wanted.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
To all other Superintending Engineers.
To Major R. B. Kennedy.
To the Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE, 1ST DIVISION.
DOWLAISHWARUM, 5th October 1872.

No. 2453

From

Lieutenant Col. D. F. Lischer R.E.
Acg. Superintending Engineer.
1st Division

To

Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government D. P. W.
MADRAS

SIR,

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No 6 Range Office
Samalcottah
26th September 1872

To,

The Assistant Engineer
in charge No 6 Range Godavery Dist.

Sir,

I am directed by the Superintending Engineer
1st Division to request that you will
furnish this office with a statement
showing the progress which has been
already made on the Peddapore Valigatam
Tank and state when it is probable that
the work will be completed.

I am also directed to request that you will
furnish this office with a statement
of the quantity of earth work executed
in each of the Tanks in your charge
during the month of September.

Your obedient Servant
Illegible
for Superintending Engineer 1st Div.

Please do not omit
Your Mark & Dist
Illegible Range Godavery Dist.

No 466

6 11 Sept Jr. D. 14 Oct
Acknowledged 16 Oct

From
The Superintending Engineer,
First Division.

To
The Secretary to Government
Department Public Works
MADRAS

Dated 5th October 1872
Received 7th do

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Subject.

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Dept. Irrigation
No 3028

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I have &c.

Jas. D. Hannay

Assistant Engineer

True Copy

Wm. Strachan Lieut. Col. R.E.

Ag. Superintending Engineer 1st Dn.

Public Works Department.

P.W. 502/72.

Enclosures in a letter
No 2453 dated 5th
October 1872 from
the Superintending
Engineer Godavery Division
to the Secretary to
Government P.W.D.
Madras

Public Works Department.

No: 2801

Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Read the following:-

From

The Ag. Supg. Engr. 1st Dn. Ltr. No 2453/5 October 1872

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G.W.W.

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To The S. Engr 1st Dn
Allotment Engrs
Major R-B-Kennedy
Judicial Dept

Dec 29/1872

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Govt. of {1872} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Dated

Recd. Encl. 1.

G. O. 28th Nov 1872 No. 2801.

Nos. 466 & 467

Tahsildar's Tubeherries at Rajahmundry & Peddapur.

Passing orders on letters from the Collr. of Godavery reporting certain information respecting the expenditure on the Tubeherries at Rajahmundry and Peddapur.

6 11th Nov 72 R. 14th

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