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Read the following papers:—

No. 408. Endorsement of the Revenue Department, dated 11th June 1873.
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd April 1873, Miscellaneous No. 2,458.

From H. SEWELL, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, to J. GROSE, Esq.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 21st March 1873,
No. 187.

THE Cauverypauk Tank in the Wallajah Taluq is, as the Board are aware, one of the largest and most important irrigation works in the district. Its bund, which is four miles in length, is covered with a thick undergrowth of shrubs, bushes, creepers, and prickly-pear. Unless this is removed it is impossible for the Department Public Works to inspect the state of the bund and to ascertain what are its present requirements. The present condition of the tank has already been brought to the notice of the Board in Mr. Whiteside's communication of the 10th February last, No. 88. It appears to me very desirable that the bund should be cleared at once, and this, I am of opinion, could not be executed by Kudimaramut, but should be carried out by paid labour. The work, which will take some seven or eight months to complete, has been estimated to cost Rupees 4,000.

2. I have, therefore, the honour to request that the Board will be pleased to sanction its execution from the Jungle Conservancy Fund. When the bund has been thoroughly cleared it is proposed to replant it with suitable trees for its protection.

3. Such of the clearings as are useful for fuel, etc., will be sold, and the proceeds credited to Jungle Conservancy Fund. The villagers will, when the bund is fully cleared, be called on to see that the shrubs, etc., which may grow in future on the bund are removed from time to time.

4. I have, in anticipation of the Board's sanction, authorized the execution of the work in question, and have also placed Rupees 500 at the disposal of the Head Assistant Collector to meet the current month's expenditure.

THE clearance of tank bunds is an Imperial work, and should be done out of the Agricultural allotment.

2. The object being one that is alien to the Jungle Conservancy Fund, and the charge without precedent, the Board do not understand how the Collector could think himself justified in authorizing the execution of the work before getting sanction for it.

He will report what sum is expected from "such of the clearings as are useful for fuel, etc."

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
26th June 1873.*

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th May 1873.

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd April 1873, Miscellaneous No. 2,458, on letter from the Collector of North Arcot, No. 187, of 21st March 1873, requesting Board's sanction for the expenditure of certain sum from the Jungle Conservancy Fund for clearing away prickly-pear and other thorny bushes growing on the Cauverypauk Tank bund.

Read also the following letter from H. SEWELL, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Camp at Vellore, 15th May 1873, No. 275.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Miscellaneous No. 2,458, dated 23rd ultimo, I have the honour to submit that the Head Assistant Collector in his letter, No. 209, dated 5th instant, informs me that the undergrowth which has at present been cleared away from the Cauverypauk Tank bund will, if sold, fetch little or nothing, as it consists of prickly-pear and thorny bushes. The work has however been stopped on receipt of the Proceedings under reply. The amount expended up to date for the clearing of the undergrowth is stated to be a little more than 500 Rupees.

2. As this work is one of great importance, inasmuch as the real state of the bund and the repairs necessary to it cannot be ascertained till it is cleared, I trust that the Board will accord sanction for an allowance from Agricultural allotment of Rupees 4,000 for completing the work. Rupees 500 have been spent on clearing one mile, and three miles remain to be cleared, but the thickest undergrowth is in the remaining three miles, and I consider, therefore, that about Rupees 3,500 will be required. The District Engineer has informed me that the work has been well done so far, and he is very anxious that it should be carried on without delay.

3. I understand that Mr. Whiteside, just before going on leave, proposed the advance from the Jungle Conservancy Fund, as it was intended to replant the bund with useful trees which would also assist in strengthening it, and on taking charge I sanctioned the advance as an emergent case and wrote at once to the Board.

It appears that it is necessary, with a view to discovering faulty parts in the bund of the Cauverypauk Tank, to clear it from jungle, etc., (*vide* paragraph 3 of the Memorandum by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, recorded with Government Order, 6th May 1873, No. 1,275, Public Works Department.) The work will last seven or eight months, and cost about Rupees 4,000.

2. There can be no doubt but that this work should be provided for from the Agricultural allotments, but Mr. Whiteside thought it might be done from the Jungle Conservancy Fund, and it has been commenced as emergent and Rupees 500 expended on it.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
26th June 1873.*

3. It is obvious that the only reason given, viz., that the bund may be planted with trees after the jungle has been removed, is not a sufficient reason for making the Jungle Conservancy Fund pay the cost of preparing the bund for examination.

4. The Board accordingly resolve to request Government to sanction the refund of the money already spent, and direct the District Engineer to proceed with the work in the usual way.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 367A.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

No 408A.

THE Cauverypauk Tank Bund is only one out of hundreds in the North Arcot District which require extensive clearances of prickly-pear, bushes, and scrub jungle to be made. I believe that it was formerly customary for all such work as these clearances to be done by Kudimaramut, and the neglect of this custom will involve a large outlay. However, as there appears to be no intention to revive customs which have been allowed to die out, the alternative is to instruct District Engineers to provide from Agricultural Repair Funds for clearing tank and channel bunds, and the District Engineer of North Arcot can accordingly refund to the Collector the sum advanced by that officer from Jungle Conservancy Funds.

2. I have already informed Captain Pennycuik that directly the question of the incidence of the cost of clearances was settled, it would be requisite to take vigorous measures for rendering the irrigation works accessible. I found it quite impossible to inspect several of these works, and the supply-channel of the Doosy Mamudoor tank breached in several places apparently at the only places where it could be crossed, the rest of its left bank for a long distance being a dense mass of prickly-pear.

OOTACAMUND,
16th June 1873. (Signed) J. MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

ORDER THEREON, 26th June 1873, No. 1,671.

No. 409.

IRRIGATION, No. 38.

UNDER the circumstances brought to notice in these papers the Government, while regretting that the Cauverypauk and other tank bunds have become so much overgrown with prickly-pear and bushes, and that it appears to be impracticable to effect the requisite clearances by customary labour, sanction the execution of such work from Agricultural

Proceedings of the Madras Government. Public Works Department.
26th June 1873.

Repair Funds, and also the refund to the Collector of North Arcot of the sum advanced from Jungle Conservancy Funds for the partial clearance of the Cauverypauk tank bund.

(True Extract.)

Lieutenant-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation,
,, District Engineer, North Arcot.
,, Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts,
,, Revenue Department.

Revenue Department
Miscellaneous No. 2458.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 23rd April 1873.

Read the following

No. 187.

From

Henry Sewell Esquire

Collector of North Arcot.

To

J. G. Esquire

Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,

The Kaveripauk tank in the Taluk of Talagaj is, as the Board are aware, one of the largest and most important irrigation works in the District. Its bund, which is 4 miles in length is covered with a thick undergrowth of shrubs, bushes, creepers and prickly pears. Unless this is removed it is impossible for the D.P.W. to inspect the state of the Bund and to ascertain what are its present requirements. The present condition of the tank has already been brought to the notice of the Board in

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Mr. Whiteside's communication of the 11th of
February last, 1888. It appears to me un-
desirable that the fund should in clean &
at once and this same of expense could
not be executed by machinery, but
should be carried out by hand labor. The
work which will take some 7 or 8 months to
complete has been estimated to cost \$24,000.

I have therefore the honor to request that the Board will be pleased to sanction its execution from the Jungle Conservancy Fund. When the land has been thoroughly cleared it is proposed to replant it with suitable trees for its protection.

Such of the clearings as prove useful
for fuel &c. will be sold, and the proceeds
credited to Single Conservancy Fund. The
villagers will, when the wood is fully cleared
be called on to see that the shrubs &c. which
may grow in future on the wood prepared
from time to time.

I have in anticipation of the Board's sanction, authorized the execution of the work in question and have also placed \$2500 at the disposal of the Head Assistant & Collector to meet the current month's expenditures.

I have heard

South Street
Collection Office
Philadelphia 28th March 1873

I have Y^{rs}

South Great } I have the
Collector's Office }
(Bill No. 21st March 1873) } (Signed) Henry Lewis
Ag Collector

To
The Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Madras.

The clearing of the Banks is an
Imperial work, and should be done out
of the Agricultural allotment.

The object being one that is alien to the Jungle Conservancy Fund, and the charge without precedent, the Board do not understand how the Collector could think himself justified in authorizing the execution of the work before getting sanction for it.

He will report what sum is expected
from "such of the clearings as are useful
for fuel &c."

1. True copy & Extract,

Signed, J. Groves

Secretary.

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The. H. Collector of North West
(True copy)

J. G. Cole

Secretary,

W. J. Baker
Copied & made to 2

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 27th May 1873.

Read again Board's Proceedings
No. 123, dated 1873. Miscellaneous No. 2458 our
letter from the Collector of North Arcot, No. 187
of 21st March 1873 requesting Board's sanction for
the expenditure of certain sums from the Jungle
Conservancy Fund for clearing away prickly
pear and other thorny bushes growing on the
Kumveryhanki & K. Bimab.

Read also the following:-

No. 245

From

Henry Smith Esquire
Deputy Collector of North Arcot

J. Spencer Esquire
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue Misc No. 2458 dated 23rd
ultimo, I have the honor to submit that the
Deputy District Collector in his letter No. 209
dated 5th August, informs me that the under-
growth

Enclosed in the
Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue
dated 27th May 1873
is a copy of a letter
from the Deputy
Collector of North
Arcot, dated 21st March
1873, requesting
Board's sanction for
the expenditure of
certain sums from
the Jungle Conservancy
Fund for clearing
away prickly pear
and other thorny
bushes growing on
the Kumveryhanki &
K. Bimab.

growth which I do not present here, mixed
away from the Cambridge to back here I will
it solid, solid, little or nothing at all
of, probably here and there bushes the work
has however been started in sight of the
Proceedings under which the amount is
- granted up to date for the amount the
undergrowth is estimated to be a little more
than five hundred acres.

2. As to this work is one of great im-
- portance in as much as the road started
the land and the repairs necessary to it
cannot be maintained till it is cleared.
I trust that the Board will accord
sanction for any allowances from agricul-
- tural allotment of \$24,000 for conducting
the work. Professors have been sent on
clearing one mile, and three miles remain
to be cleared, but the thickest undergrowth
is in the remaining three miles, and I
consider therefore that about \$29,500
will be required. The District Engineer
has informed me that the work has
been well done so far, and he is very
anxious that it should be carried on
without delay.

3. I understand that Mr. Whitehead

just sent a paper in which he offered the
estimate for the work in Cambridge
with an intention to put it to the Board
with a view to have it carried out as
soon as possible, and on later
date to be sent to the Board as
an emergency case and make it over
to the Board.

For the next }
Cathedral Church }
after, and after }
18 Jan 1873 }

To
The Secretary
Secretary to the Board of Agriculture
London

It appears that the members with
a view to discussing fully before the
Board of the Cambridge to back, to clear
the jungle etc. (I have 8 of the
members sent by the Chief Engineer for
the purpose of seeing the work
Order to May 1873, 1875, Public Works
has been sent to the work will last 7 or 8
months, and cost about \$25,000
There can be no doubt but that the
work

work should be finished by June 1st.
The Board thought it might be done from
the jungle (conservancy fund) and it has
been announced as urgent and to be
expended on it.

It is obvious that the only reasonable
way, that the land may be planted with
trees after the jungle has been removed is
not a sufficient reason for making the
jungle (conservancy fund) pay the cost of
preparing the land for cultivation.

The Board accordingly resolved to
request Government to sanction the refund
of the money already spent, and direct
the District Engineer to proceed with the
work in the usual way.

True copy & extract,

J. C. Cole
Secretary.

To The Secretary to Government
Housing Department
with copy of Board's proceedings
23rd April 1893. No. 122458

W. G. Lockyer
Chief Engineer

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16 Jan 1873
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Subject
P. W 3654/73

Respecting the
sanction of the
Public Works Dept
to the City of Jor
for the purpose of
improving the
sanitary condition
of the City of Jor
Transferred

17 Jan 1873

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It is the intention of the
Public Works Dept to
improve the sanitary
condition of the
City of Jor by
constructing a
sewerage system
which will
enable the City
to dispose of its
waste water
in a proper
manner. It is
the intention of
the Public Works
Dept to construct
a sewerage system
which will enable
the City to dispose
of its waste water
in a proper manner.
The Public Works
Dept has the honor
to acknowledge the
receipt of the
sum of Rs. 1000
from the City of
Jor for the purpose
of constructing
a sewerage system.
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a sewerage system.

2. I have already informed
Captain Henry Smith that in view
of the question of the maintenance of
the cost of charaxes and such,
it would be requisite to take
vigorous measures for remedying
the irrigation works and the
found it quite impossible to inspect
several of these works, & the upper
channel of the River was in some
places blocked in several places
apparently at the very places where
it could be crossed, the rest of the
left bank for a long distance
being a dense mass of荆棘
fern.

Macanua, Whararua 16th June 1873
Chief Agent for the
The Secretary to the Govt. (M. S.)

1853 Report
No 3654

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Board
Co. of the Madras Port.
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Read the following
from the Madras Port Co. 1871

Under the circum-
stances brought to
notice in these papers,
the Government, while
noting that the
navigation and
other trade funds
have become so much
engrossed with
in fear & distress, and
that it appears to
be impracticable to
meet the requisite
clearances by customary
labour, sanction the
creation of such an
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