

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th August 1873.*

Read the following letters :—

R 156. From Captain J. PENNYCUICK, R.E., District Engineer, North
fu Arcot, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief Engineer, Public
W Works Department, dated Vellore, 23rd June 1873, No. 1,000.

In reply to your memorandum, No. 231 of 18th instant, I have the honour to report that the full balance of the revised estimate, Rupees 15,266 or Rupees 7,766, in addition to the allotment in the Provincial Budget, can be utilized on the Poloor Taluq Cutcherry.

2. At Coopum I do not think I can spend more than the allotment already given.

3. Estimates, amounting to Rupees 5,600 and Rupees 3,900, respectively, for Subsidiary Jails, etc., at Poonganoor and Maderpak, will be submitted as soon as the latter is returned by the Collector, to whom it has been forwarded for counter-signature, and if funds are available I shall be glad to receive an allotment for these buildings.

No. 157. From Colonel E. A. FOORD, R.E., Inspecting Engineer for Civil and Military Buildings, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 7th July 1873, No. 733.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for the sanction of Government, an estimate of Rupees 1,980 for completing the Subsidiary Jail and the improvements to the Taluq Cutcherry at Wandiwash in the North Arcot District.

1 Estimate.
1 Comparative Statement.

2. The work was commenced in 1863 on an estimate of Rupees 9,000, and after some progress had been made, was stopped in accordance with the orders of the Government of India. In April 1872, the Superintending Engineer forwarded revised estimates for this and several other Cutcheries, and Government, in their Order of the 6th May 1872, No. 675, Judicial Department, sanctioned the sum of Rupees 7,020 for the Wandiwash Cutcherry.

3. From the comparative statement which accompanies the estimate, it will be seen that the difference between the two estimates is caused principally by the difference in the rates for teakwood, $4\frac{1}{2}$ Rupees per cubic foot in the original and 3 Rupees in the revised estimate. The present District Engineer reports that the teakwood had already been purchased at the higher rate, and that consequently the work cannot now be completed for the reduced estimate.

4. A sum of Rupees 3,000 is provided in this year's Budget for this work. The expenditure to the close of last year was Rupees 3,702, so that in order to complete the building an additional sum of Rupees 2,298 will be required.

No. 158. From Captain J. PENNYCUICK, R.E., District Engineer, North Arcot, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Vellore, 21st July 1873, No. 1,364.

WITH reference to G. O., No. 1,710, of 2nd instant, and my letter No. 1,000 of 23rd ultimo, I have the honour to report that having lately inspected the

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- Taluq Cutcherry at Poloor and consulted personally with the Range Officer, I am of opinion that we shall not be able to utilize more than Rupees 10,000 (Rupees 2,500 more than the present allotment) on that work in this year.
2. On the Coopum Cutcherry, as already reported, we cannot spend more than the present allotment of Rupees 7,500.

No. 159.

ORDER THEREON, 11th August 1873, No. 1,997.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 8.

His Excellency the Governor in Council sanctions the sum of Rupees 9,000 for the improvements to the Taluq Cutcherry and Subsidiary Jail at Wandiwash; that being in fact the amount of the original estimate for the work, which was reduced in the Superintending Engineer's Office to Rupees 7,020 by adoption of a rate for teakwood less than that which the Range Officer had already paid for it.

2. As this is the third estimate for similar buildings in North Arcot for which Government have been called on to sanction revised estimates; as several more are understood to require revision; and as the necessity for such revision appears to have prevented last year's allotments being availed of, the subject is one which appears to require review with the object of forcibly calling the attention of the present District Engineer and Range Officers to the mismanagement which has so long prevailed.

3. Six Cutcheries in North Arcot were originally provided for in the Budget of 1872-73, with sums aggregating Rupees 43,760. Provision for a seventh was made by transfer from that amount, in the same Order of 6th May 1872, which sanctioned all the revised estimates. In the letter recorded with that order the Superintending Engineer asked for an additional allotment of Rupees 51,657, or a total of Rupees 95,417; but the total provision eventually made was Rupees 51,760, divided amongst ten Cutcheries.

4. Out of that number one only appears to have been completed at a supposed cost of Rupees 1,605, the exact balance allotted; and Rupees 7,993 were spent on three others, leaving six untouched, and Rupees 42,162 unspent. Of these six the Government learn from the District Administration Report that four were not put in hand for want of revised estimates, i.e., from mismanagement in the Public Works Offices, and the other two from Revenue mismanagement in not placing at the disposal of the Executive Officers, till February or March 1873, the sites of buildings for which materials had been collected to the value of Rupees 10,000 in 1869-70.

5. The present District Engineer will doubtless by this time have arrived at more accurate conclusions with reference to the true causes of the inaction prevalent in North Arcot throughout the year 1872, than those stated in his Administration Report, sent in when he was new to the district; and the Government rely confidently on a more satisfactory result from his administration. Rupees 50,500 were placed at his disposal in the Budget of 1873-74, for eight out of the nine unfinished Cutcheries above mentioned, and Rupees 1,150 out of the Reserve for completing the ninth; and now, in full reliance that his requisitions to that effect have been well considered and will be justified by the result of the season's work, His

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Excellency the Governor in Council will order the sums of Rupees 2,500 and Rupees 2,300 to be provided for the Poloor and Wandiwash Cutcheries out of a further appropriation of Provincial Funds that will shortly be made for Public Works operations.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

- To the District Engineer, North Arcot.
- „ Inspecting Engineer for Civil and Military Buildings.
 - „ Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
 - „ Judicial Department.
 - „ Revenue do.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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No. 1000

NORTH ARCOT,
DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Vellore 23 June 1873

From
THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,

NORTH ARCOT

To
The Chief Engineer,
Department Public Works,
Sir,
Madras.

In reply to your Memo No. 25 of 18th Instant, I have the honour to report that the full balance of the revised Estimate Rupees 15,266, or Rupees 7,766 in addition to the allotment in the Provincial Budget, can be utilized on the Polur Taluk Cutcherry.

2. At Coopum I do not think I can spend more than the allotment already given.

3. Estimates amounting to Rupees 5600, and Rs. 3900 respectively for Subsidiary Jails &c at Pongannur and Maderpak will be submitted

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Soon as the latter is returned
by the Collector, to whom it has been
forwarded for countersignature, and
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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedt Servant

Paul Peary — Captain R. P.

District Engineer,
North Arcot.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTING E.
FOR CIVIL AND MILITARY BUILDINGS
Chepauk, 7 July 1873.

No. 733

From

The Inspecting Engineer,
for Civil and Military Buildings

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

SIR,

Enclosures 2
1 Estimate
1 Comparative
Statement.

I have the honor to forward, for the
sanction of Government, an estimate of
Rupees 1980, for completing the subsidiary
jail and the improvements to the Taluk
Cutcherry at Wandiwash in the North
Arcot District.

2. The work was commenced in 1868,
on an estimate of Rupees 9000, and, after
some progress had been made, was stopped
in accordance with the orders of the
Government of India. In April, 1872, the
Superintending Engineer forwarded revised
estimates for this, and several other
Cutcheries, and Government, in their
order of the 6th May 1872, No 675, Judicial
Department

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R. P. Peary
District Engineer
North Arcot.

3. From the comparative statement which accompanies the estimate, it will be seen that the difference between the two estimates is caused, principally by the difference in ~~estimate~~ for teak wood - $4\frac{1}{2}$ Rupees per cubic foot in the original, and 3 Rupees in the revised estimate. The present District Engineer reports that the teak wood had already been purchased, at the higher rate, and that consequently the work cannot now be completed for the reduced estimate.

4. A sum of Rupees 3000 is provided in this year's budget for this work. The expenditure to the close of last year was Rupees 3702 so that in order to complete

Civil Buildings

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Abstract Estimate No. 8 of 1873/4
District North Arcot Salug Wandsworth
Wandsworth Salug Catchery

Wandaewash Valley Cutcherry
Estimate for Improving the Valley Cutcherry
Constructing Subsidiary Jail &c at Wandaewash.

Quantity	Description of Charges	Rate Per	Amount	Total
<u>Improving the Salug Catchery</u>				
324	Cubi ft. Brick in Mortar ^{Removg}	" " 3 cft	5 1/2	
	Removng rear wall	" " 3 cft	5 1/2	
319 1/2	Cubi ft. Brick in Mortar with plaster	" 2 " "	39 15 1/2	
13	Squares of Removng tiles & replacing them using 2/3 flat tiles 1/3 pan tiles & Chumam borders	6 " " Sq	78 " "	
4 80/100	Sqrs of Flooring with Square bricks	8 " " "	38 6 4	
2	Removng & refitting old Doors	3 " " each	6 " "	
4	Do " " Windows	2 " " "	8 " "	
18 1/3	C. feet of Teak wood	4 8 " Cft	82 8 " "	257 14 4
<u>Jail</u>				
4606	C. feet Brick in Mortar	" 19 Cft	503 12 6	
3200-3	Do " " "	" 2 " "	400 " 6	
138-9	Do " " (Arch work)	" 26 " "	21 10 10	
27 1/2	Squares of Roofing	21 " " Sq	577 8 "	
17 1/2	Do Flooring with Sq. bricks	8 " " "	140 "	
13 1/2	Do Plastering	2 " " "	24 " "	
216	Running feet Cornice	" 6 " Rft	81 " "	
163 1/2	Cyd Earth work (Excavating foundation)	" 1 " Cyd	10 3 6	
43 17/144	C. feet Teak wood	4 8 " Cft	154 4 " 6	
272	Sq. feet Iron works	2 4 " Sqft	612 " "	3917 3 10 2000

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No. 1364.

North Arcot,

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Vellore 21st July 1873.

From

The DISTRICT ENGINEER,
NORTH ARCOT.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to G. O.
No. 1710 of 2nd Instant, and my letter
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to report that having lately inspected
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this year.

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On the Coopum Cutcherry

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District North Arcot

Salug Spandam

Spandam Salug Cutcherry

Estimate for improving
the Salug Cutcherry &
constructing building
for the Spandam
Cutcherry in a letter No. 1000
of 23rd ult.

Estimate No. 9,000 -

P. M. 3833/73.

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Your most Obedt Servant.




District Engineer.

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Read the following:

From the St. Louis { N.H. No 1000 } 23 June 3

Inspector for Buildings (No. 73377 July 1931)

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His Excellency the Governor in Council sanctions the sum of Rs 9000 for the improvements to the Talook Catcherry and subsidiary Jail at Sandiwash; that being in fact the amount of the original estimate for the work, which was reduced in

the Superintending
Engineers Office to
Rs 4020 by adoption
of a rate for teak wood
less than that which
the Range Officer had
already paid for it.

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Executive Officers
till February or
March 1873 the sites
of buildings for which
materials had been
collected to the value
of Rs 10,000 in 1869-70.

The present Dis.
- trict Engineer will
doubtless by this
time have arrived
at more accurate
conclusions with
reference to the true
causes of the inaction
prevalent in North
Aroor throughout
the year 1872 than
those stated in his

Administration Re-
- port, sent in when
he was new to the
District; and the
Government rely
confidently on a
more satisfactory
result from his
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Rs 11,500 out of the
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in full reliance

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that his requisitions
to that effect have
been well considered
and will be justified
by the result of the
season's work, His
Excellency the Governor
in Council will
order the sum of
Rs 4,750 and Rs 2,300
to be provided for
the Poloor and Trav.
diwash Catcher's
out of a further ap-
propriation of
Provincial Funds
that will shortly be
made for Public
Works operations.

Col. Secy, M. S. A. S.

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21/8/73

Just received
the Rs. 2,300
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- 4 " Inspr Engr. for Bgr ✓
- 5 " Controller ✓
- 11 " Jnd. Dept ✓
- 21 " Rev. Dept ✓
- S. C. Dtd 20/8/73

24/8/73