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Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

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30th January 1873.*

No. 621. Read the following letter from the District Engineer, Godavery District, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 20th December 1872, No. 226:—

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge receipt of G. O. of the 28th November 1872, No. 2,801, and regret to find the Government should have expressed dissatisfaction with the progress of some Cutcherry works in this district, but as some important points connected with these works have not been taken into consideration, I beg to submit the following explanations.

2. As regards the Peddapur Cutcherry, it is quite true the estimate for this work was sanctioned in July 1869, but by the orders of Government, dated the 24th June, No. 2,059, and 28th July, No. 2,481, of 1869, the progress of work was stopped. The expenditure of Rupees 2,460 was specially provided for in G. O. of the 29th April 1870, No. 1,136, but the restrictive orders were still in force as regards the rest of the work. In this official year the work was re-commenced in April, and by August an expenditure of Rupees 2,500 had been incurred, besides a good deal of material collected when the work was stopped by the heavy rains of this year; but by the middle of October it was again put in hand and is in progress still with every chance of the allotment being expended; we could, of course, show a larger expenditure by paying the workshops for the wood-work of the roof, but it is unnecessary to do this till the end of the official year, or till we see what the balance of our allotment is likely to be.

3. In connection with this work I have further to add that, by paragraph 3 of G. O. of the 6th July 1872, No. 1,635, Mr. Hicken, the Overseer of the taluq, was removed on promotion to another division. Mr. Spencer, the Overseer of the only other taluq in this range, was dangerously ill and soon after resigned the department, so that Mr. Hannan had only a Local Fund Overseer to take charge of the works in his range till more assistance could be obtained from the College or sent to him.

4. As regards the Rajahmundry Cutcherry, the restrictive orders above referred to apply to this work as much as to the other, and so do the orders for the outlay in 1870-71. I have already in my letter to your address of the 13th instant, No. 146, applied to know on what date the revised standard plans for these works were despatched to us, as there is some delay here which I am unable to trace very satisfactorily. I find by a Note in G. O. of the 14th May 1872, No. 120-A, that these had not been issued up to that date, and were to be sent hereafter. The Range Officer received his orders to send in the estimate on the 7th July 1872, and despatched it on the 27th idem, when it was at once checked and sent in and sanctioned in August 1872. Materials were collecting during the rains, but the work of construction could not be proceeded with till November. So far then as regards this work, excepting the interval between the 14th May and 7th July, during which time the revised plans appear to have been coming from Madras, there has been no delay in getting on with the work here.

5. So far then the Revenue Department have no cause of complaint in this matter; and I beg to observe they never refer to the positive orders of Government stopping these works in the most stringent manner or to any steps taken by us to accommodate them, for I had, as regards the Peddapur Cutcherry, urged on

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the Government the advisability of proceeding with this work to save the heavy cost of repairs to the old building, and provided funds for this purpose in this department; but in G. O. of the 27th October 1870, No. 2,561-2, the proposal was declined, and the money appropriated to other purposes.

6. I trust I have now explained in sufficient detail all matters connected with these two works. As regards the Prattipaud Cutcherry, no provision was made for this work being proceeded with in this official year's Budget, and it was not till the receipt of G. O. of the 30th August 1872, No. 2,077, that any allotment was granted. The Range Officer was then directed to send in the estimate, and on my return from Waltair in November, I found it in the office, had it checked, and sent on with this office letter of the 16th instant, No. 160; any delay in this matter is attributable to my absence, and to the complete breaking up of the office on the re-organization, when all records had to be separated for the several districts, but the work has been put in hand and materials collected.

7. In conclusion, I beg very respectfully then to solicit the Government will be pleased to relieve Mr. Hannan and myself of the censure contained in the G. O. under reply. I have laid no stress on the state of the weather here for many months, the inconvenience we have been put to by sudden changes, or the numerous works we have in hand everywhere with a population busily engaged in trade, but I have endeavoured only to show that we do not neglect the interests of Government, and I venture to hope satisfactorily so.

No. 622. ORDER THEREON, 30th January 1873, No. 305.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 33.

His Excellency the Governor in Council accepts Lieut.-Colonel Fischer's explanation of the causes of delay in carrying out the construction of certain Taluq Cutcherries in the Godavery District. He is pleased with the assurance given that the current year's allotment for the Peddapur Cutcherry will be fully availed of, and requests that payment in full may be made to the Dowlaishweram Workshop for all articles as soon as supplied, as funds are available for supplementing the allotment to any amount required. He trusts that the allotments for the Rajahmundry and Prattipaud Cutcherries will likewise be fully availed of.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Godavery.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

No. 220
District Engineer's Office G.O.
Godavery 20th December 1872
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To,
Lieutenant Col. R. Fischer R.E.
District Engineer Godavery Dist.
Colonel G.D. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Madras

Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of G. O. of the 23rd November 1872, No. 2801, and regret to find the Government should have expressed dissatisfaction with the progress of some Cutcherry works in this District, but as some important points connected with these works have not been taken into consideration, I beg to submit the following explanations:-
2. As regards the Peddapur Cutcherry, it is quite true the estimate for this work was sanctioned in July 1869, but by the orders of Government dated the 24th June No. 2059, and 28th July No. 2481 of 1869, the progress of work was stopped - the expenditure of Rs. 2,160 was specially provided for

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Your Most Obedt. Servt.

Wm. T. Tucker Lieut. J. & C.

District Engineer Cadiz Dist.

Public Works Dept^{ts}
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 From the District Engrs }
 Godavery } (H.C. No. 226 d/20th Decr/72)

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224. May 13 1872. Messrs
Smith & Co. New York

Friend Mr. P. M. M. M. M.
 Richard D. M. M. M. M.
 - Colonel M. M. M. M. M.
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Regarding same important
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No. 230 / 18 / 18 November 1918

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To The Queen's Lodge

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PUBLIC WORKS.

1. The District Engrs
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G. O. 30th Jan^y 1873, No. 305.

Nos. 621 & 622

Taking tubewells in
the Godavery District.

Replying orders on letter
from the Dist Engrs. Officer.
My explanation being
to the delay in carrying
out the construction of
certain taking tubewells.