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16th June 1874.*

No. 307. Read the following letters:—

From Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery,
to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation
and Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated
Dowlaishweram, 16th March 1874, No. 3,732.

I HAVE the honour to solicit permission to change the site of a Rest-house from
Perimella, as provided for in the completion project of the Western Delta, to
Uttili, now that the navigation to this village is about to be completed, and there
is a line of road crossing the canal at this place. We have a rest-house nearly
finished at Thadapilligoodem within a few miles of Perimella, and two such
buildings are not required in such close proximity; after communication with
Mr. Walch we considered the site at Uttili would be most convenient for the
Officers of the Range.

2. I take this opportunity also to request an early reply regarding the proposed
change of plan forwarded with my letter, No. 3,146, dated 23rd January 1874.

No. 308. From the same Officer, dated 14th April 1874, No. 137.

ADVERTING to your Memorandum, No. 260, dated 31st ultimo, I have the
honour to inform you that there will be no increase of expense by the construction
of a Rest-house at Uttili instead of at Perimella, and I have therefore ordered
the collection of materials for the work.

No. 309. ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1874, No. 1,596.

IRRIGATION, No. 28.
Buildings.

THE erection of a Rest-house at
Uttili instead of at Perimella, in the
Western Delta of the Godavery, is
sanctioned.

2. The District Engineer will submit
a scale of fees to be levied, for the occupation of the Delta Rest-houses, from
Officers and subordinates, respectively, with reference to the accommodation
provided for the two classes, and the Government desire that this scale shall be
so framed as to cover the cost of the up-keep of these bungalows, which are to be
considered as available for the use of the members of all the Departments attached
to or employed in the district. Rules will be drawn up and, after approval, printed
and hung up in each room, and the fees will be payable to the person in charge
of the bungalow keys, and will be credited to Revenue, Miscellaneous.

3. The District Engineer will also prepare and submit a sketch map of the
district showing the sites of all Irrigation Rest-houses, distinguishing between
those already built, those sanctioned, and those proposed; also copies of their plans.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" District Engineer, Godavery.

" Controller:

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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District Cadaver
SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE, 1st DIVISION
DOWLAISHWARUM, 14 April 1874.

No. 137

From

Lieutenant Col. J. F. Fischer R.E.
Superintending Engineer Cadaver

1st Division

To

Lieutenant Col. J. Mullins R.E.

Chief Engineer for Irrigation

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SIR,

I, directing to your Memo No. 260 dated 31st Ultimo. I have the honor to inform you that there will be no increase of expense by the construction of a Rest house at Uaili instead of at Permillia, and I have therefore ordered the collection of materials for the work.

I have the honor to be

Sir.

Your Most Obedient Servant

W. H. T. Licut. (d. R.E.)
District Engineer Cadaver

Mr 3732

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From
The Superintendent Engineer,
Irrigation
Division
To
The Chief Engineer for Irrigation
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Date 14th
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Mr 3732
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Irrigation
Division
MADRID
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District Engineer's Office
Doa Casuarum 16th March 1874
Sept 17th
Lieut Col J. T. St. John M.
District Engineer
Irrigation

Lieut Col J. Mullins M.
Chief Engineer for Irrigation
Joint Secretary to Government
MADRID

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to change the site of the house from Perimulla
as provided for in the Completion project of the Western
Delta to Uthili now that the Navigation of this Village
is about to be completed and there is a line of road
crossing the Canal at this place we have erected house
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(District Engineer for Irrigation)

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P. W. D.

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Read the following:—

From the P. W. D. (P. W. D. No. 3732 of 15 March 1874) and (P. W. D. No. 3737 of 14 April 1874)

The erection of a rest house at Uthi instead of at Perinella, in the Western Dilla of the Godavery is sanctioned.

The P. W. D. will submit a scale of fees to be levied for the occupation of the Dilla Rest house, from Officers and Subordinates respectively, with reference to the accommodation provided for the two classes, and

and the Govt. desire that this scale shall be so framed as to cover the cost of the upkeep of these Bungalows, which are to be considered as available for the use of the members of all the Departments attached to or employed in the District. Rules will be drawn up and after approval, printed and hung up in each room, and the fees will be payable to the person in charge of the Bungalow Keys, and will be credited to Revenue Miscellaneous.

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To Chief Eng^r for Brig^d
Lt. Engineer Goddard

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Sanctioned

Sanctioned for the use of the Officers and subordinates of the Department, and of other District Officers, and are intended principally to provide shelter for them in the hot weather and rains, when boats are not habitable during the day time, or when moving about with tents is impracticable.

Boat

The first houses sanctioned for the Eastern Delta are intended for the use of the Officers and subordinates of the Department, and of other District Officers, and are intended principally to provide shelter for them in the hot weather and rains, when boats are not habitable during the day time, or when moving about with tents is impracticable.

Four have been sanctioned for the Eastern Delta viz

- 1 At Dowlaishwarain - Used chiefly by Officers & subordinates coming in to the District Engineer's quarters, or for medical attendance
- 2 on Cocanada Canal - Completely
- 3 - Conzaband
- 4 - Bank Canal.

Similarly eight have been sanctioned for the Western Delta - vide para 2 of the note printed in P. No 4 14 March 1871 No. 768 viz

- at 1 - Chittabutt - Main Canal
- 2 - Pernully - Main Canal
- 3 - Kodair - Bank do -
- 4 - Palkole - Main Canal do
- 5 - Bhimawaram - Road from Palkole to Gondy & Memmamudra navigable drain
- 6 - Akker - Akker Canal
- 7 - Paramella - Venkiah Canal - now proposed to be changed to a better one

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As evidenced by the statement Mr Robinson, the
Officers and subordinates, for whose benefit
these rest-houses have been, or are being,
constructed, draw the usual Departmental
travelling allowances.

until my recent visit to the Goddams, I was under the impression that the members of the Department were better off, as regards travelling allowances, in their District than elsewhere, but I then found that both there and in the Kitchen, those who do their work properly are obliged to provide both for casual travelling and ordinary marching, and that horses and tents, though not used so frequently, except in the best weather, have to be maintained.

The next

The next lesson will not reduce the expenses of the members of the Dept., but they will save them from unnecessary expenses.

The rest houses are a provision by Government for the comfort of their servants, and such provision has been customarily made in other parts of India for the last 20 years or more. Though in this Presidency, except during the construction of large works, it has not been usual to build Bungalows - but the Godown and kitchen the hot weather is severe, and during the migration season and rains a place to pitch a tent is often difficult to find.

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The first thing we require, Messrs.
Dalton & Co. have been doing
- some from the North of
Ireland - some from the South of
such recommendations have
been secured by the Society,
Ireland - Wm.

apparently at 7,000

I am unable
to agree to sanction the
construction of two or
additional travellers
bungalows for the exclusive
use of the D.P.W. officers
of Godavari out of
savings from estimates
for Eastern Delta Works.

The practice - which
has been only too prevalent
of thus building permanent
accommodation - often
more or less insubstantial
at public expense for
~~the~~ ^{our} Special Department
of the State out of estimates
prepared for other purposes
is I think wrong and
leads

leads directly to loose
Estimating and unfair
Accounting. The extent
to which this practice
has been carried in
the Delta is I maintain
open to serious remark
as a diversion of
public monies to a
personal convenience.

The travelling
accommodation of
these officers of the Delta
are as liberally provided
for at the public expense
as in any other district
or DEPARTMENT and we have
before us recommendations
of the Delta
allowances. The
accommodation of
D.P.W. officers in the
Delta is practically
more or less a double
charge

Maintenance clerk & 1/2
a meal for the officers using
the Duragallow

charge on the State. The
cost of maintaining these
Duragallows built out
of loan-funds becomes
a permanent charge
on the Agricultural
Grant. This I consider
unfair, and I request
information whether
any establishment
is maintained for - or
detached to the duty
of - watching these
structures. I think too
that a full list of these
in the Krishna Delta
is required and that any

I attach no importance
to the argument of Colonel
Mullins's memo as
respects health &c. The
same argument holds
with far greater force
in respect to respect
to the public establishment
of

of all kinds in almost
Every other District of
the Presidency. The
duty is performed in
the Delta Districts
with far greater care
and safety than
probably in two-thirds
of the District in the
Presidency. There are
practically no greater
expenses attaching to
the Delta District than
have been incurred
in other Districts. I
believe they are on the
whole less. I know I
found them so. Nor
is the necessity for
special accommodation
greater.

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quar. may be called on &
salut. a plan for making the
Bungalows - if not remunerated
thoroughly self-supporting - a system
of free clasp or occupation
- or both the available for all dep. - 14/5 - 1862

Means for information, with reference to the
Honble Mr. Robinson's Minute dated 14 May
on the subject of Bungalows in the Godavari
Delta. 10

The Honble Mr. Robinson is mistaken in supposing
The only ques-
tion at present that sanction is desired for 2 additional
before Govt. Bungalows. A certain number of Bungalows
is whether the
site of a road? has been sanctioned for construction in
Bungalows Connection with the Delta works, and
may be changed - all that has been asked is leave to change
the site of one of these from Paramella to
Uttali, both places being in the Western Delta.

There is no question of the use of savings for the
purpose. The estimates were duly prepared,
approved by this Government, and sanctioned
by the Government of India, and the expenditure
upon them is shown in the accounts as
regularly as that on other works.

There are at present only a few Bungalows or
buildings used at such in the Krishna Delta.
None have been built expressly for the purpose
provided those referred to in the Godavari
Delta have been constructed; but a house
at Soudurda was purchased a few
months back with the sanction of Govern-
ment

I am myself of opinion that it will be a mistake to levy fees for occupation, but in accordance with the wishes of the Honble Mr. Robinson a pamphlet has been added to the draft order. The case is a very similar one to that of putting turnpikes on ordinary roads when the result is to drive the traffic onto less convenient or good roads not so broad. - So with the Bungalows, the amount collected in fees is sure to be very small, and they will be occupied as little as possible, whereas it is to the interest of the Government that all the officers and subordinates should stay or put up in them rather than in tents or boats whenever this can be conveniently done.

From the efficient members of the Department, the Government get far more work than can be claimed, and in the Deltas especially work is incessant. It is good policy therefore to be somewhat liberal in matters in which the

Comfort and health of the establishments are concerned. - If an officer or upper subordinate stays out on the works in hot weather until 11 or 12 o'clock, he recovers from the effects, and is ready for his office work, much sooner under good shelter than if he is in a tent or boat.

The argument that such shelter as the rest houses afford is as meagre, if not more so, in other Districts is unanswerable from one point of view, but it may be remarked that when the Government leave works as remuneration in other Districts as in the Delta, it will be proper enough to spend money in a similar manner elsewhere.

The Bungalows are placed where dock or other establishments can look after them and no one is retained specially to take care of them. They are available for the use of all District Officers.

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tained? How many are
there in the Delta?
What price of the one of
boats at public sale?
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To The Chief Engineer for Irrigation
District Engineer Godavery
" Controller
Respectfully signed by 22/4/74

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To
Mr. S. S. S. S.
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house at Uttili instead of
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and requesting Rules for the
scale of fees to be charged
the occupation of those
buildings and a sketch
of the sites of all
existing Rest Houses in
the district —