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20th June 1874.*

No. 460. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaish-weram, 23rd May 1874, No. 589 :—

With reference to paragraph 2 of G. O., No. 1,106, of the 29th April 1874, I have the honour to state that the Budget grant for the district for Minor New Works was not exceeded by me as will be seen from the following explanation.

2. The grant under this head was Rupees 6,000; against this, on application from me from time to time, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation sanctioned allotments to meet the expenditure incurred by Range Officers. The total allotment thus

Construction of two ferry boats for Ambarupetta and Kykaloor villages in Ellur Taluq, sanctioned in G. O., No. 170, dated 25th July 1873 ...	438	RS. sanctioned did not exceed the grant for the year, but it would now appear that, although the items noted in the margin were specially allotted from the Reserve; they were not to be considered as an addition to the Budget grant. I how-
Compensation for lands taken up by certain channels sanctioned in Chief Engineer's memorandum, No. 876, dated 16th December 1873 ...	1,365	ever took it to be such, and consequently

took care that the Rupees 6,000 allowed this district was not exceeded.

3. As regards the excess over the grant for "Repairs Agricultural," I beg to state that the expenditure up to December 1873 amounted to Rupees 1,61,858, against an allotment of Rupees 1,66,000 sanctioned by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation. The demand from Range Officers for funds for expenditure in January 1874 was for Rupees 10,671, and the actual expenditure up to end of that month was Rupees 1,73,341. This was within the Budget grant. On the 21st January last, I applied for the balance, viz., Rupees 7,500, of the year's grant, and at the same time, in a foot-note of my application for funds, requested to know whether any more money would be available. The Chief Engineer, in a memorandum which reached this office on the 6th February 1874, informed me that no more funds were available. On this the Range Officers were immediately directed to make no further payments for "Repairs Agricultural," but before the receipt of my order an expenditure of over Rupees 10,000 was incurred by them, the season for work having commenced.

4. Under the above circumstances, I trust the Government will exonerate me from all blame in the matter, seeing that I was doing my best to utilize all the amounts allotted for this district.

No. 461. ORDER THEREON, 20th June 1874, No. 1,672.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 31.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL FISCHER cannot be exonerated from blame for exceeding the grants placed at his disposal

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for Minor New Works and Repairs Agricultural. It is quite clear that he did allow in both cases expenditure in excess to be incurred.

(True Extract.)

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

To Lieutenant-Colonel Fischer, R.E., District Engineer, Madura.
To the District Engineer, Godavery.

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Exd. S. T. Austin.

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*Construction of 2 1/2 miles of road for Anabapalle and Rayaballam
Villages in Godavari valley sanctioned in G.O. No. 70 dated 25 July 1873
Compensation for lands taken up by Godavari Channel Sanctioned
in Chief Engineer's Memo No. 87 dated 16th December 1873*

*District Engineer Office Godavery
Ondraichur 23 May 1874*

No 589

*Lieutenant Colonel J. L. Fischer R.E.
District Engineer Godavery
Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government D. W.*

*With reference to para 2 of G.O. No. 1106
of the 29 April 1874. I have the honor to state
that the Budget grant for the District for
Minor New Works was not exceeded by me as
will be seen from the following explanation.*

*2. The grant under this head, was Rs. 6000.
against this, on application from me from
time to time, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation
sanctioned allotments to meet the expenditure
incurred by Range Officers. The total allotment
thus sanctioned did not exceed the Grant for
the year, but it would now appear that
altho' the items noted in the Margin were speci-
ally allotted from the Reserve, they were not to
be considered as an addition to the Budget grant.
I however took it to be such, and consequently
took care that the Rs. 6000 allowed this Dist. it*

was

was not exceeded.

3 As regards the excess over the grant for "Repairs Agricultural" I beg to state that the expenditure up to December 1870 amounted to Rupees 16,185.8 against an allotment of Rupees 1,66,000 sanctioned by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation. The demand from Range Officers for funds for expenditure in January 1871 was for Rupees 1,06,71 and the actual expenditure up to end of that month was Rupees 1,72,341. This was within the Budget grant. On the 21st January last, I applied for the balance, viz. Rupees 7,500, of the years grant, and at the same time,

in a foot note of my application for funds, requested to know, whether any more money would be available. The Chief Engineer in a Memo which reached this Office on the 6th February 1871, informed me that no more funds were available. On this, the Range Officers were immediately directed to make no further payments for "Repairs Agricultural" but before the receipt of any order, an expenditure of over Rupees 10,000 was incurred by them, the season for work having commenced.

Under the above circumstances I trust the Government will exonerate me from all blame in the matter, seeing that I was doing my best

to utilize all the amount allotted for this District.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant

Ant. Tucker Esq. M.A.
District Engineer Co. Dancy

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Showing that he has not expended the Budget grant for the year 1973/74 for Minor New Works of the District.

Dated 23rd May 1974
No 300
No 589

To The Secretary
to Government P.W.D.
Madras

From The District Engineer
Madras
No 2206

1672

Public Works Department
Proceedings of the Madras Road.

Read the following:

From The District Engineer
Madras (H. E. No. 589 of 23 May 1974.)

Lieutenant Colonel Fischer cannot be exonerated from blame for exceeding the grants placed at his disposal for Minor New Works and Repairs Capital. It is quite clear that he did allow in both cases expenditure in excess of the incurred.

20/5/74

Revd. Mr. Fischer P.W.D.
Dist. Engr. Madras
Dist. Engr. Madras
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May 5/6/74

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St. Col. J. F. Fisher M.E.

20th June 1872

Nos. 4604/1.

Lieutenant Colonel
Fisher informed that he
cannot be exonerated
from blame for exceeding
the grants placed at his
disposal for Minor
Works and Repairs Re-
-cultured in the Godavery
District —