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14th October 1874.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 336. From Colonel A. S. MORRIS, R.E., District Engineer, Cuddapah, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Can. at Yerravaripolliem, 16th September 1874, No. 1,141 :—

WITH reference to G. O., No. 1,904, of 15th July 1874, I have the honor to report that the cause of short outlay on Agricultural Works in Cuddapah District during the month of April 1874 is due to undermentioned causes.

1. The Madanapully Range Officer states as follows:—

- (a).—The expenditure in Royachoty Taluq is Rupees 250, but there was nothing to prevent the Overseer from doubling his expenditure; he has been warned and is now gaining experience.
- (b). The Overseer of Kadri Taluq has many difficulties to contend against, there being no petty Contractors who will undertake small works, consequently all work must be done by daily labor, and for the superintendence of labor the amount is too small to induce any one, who considers himself better than a cooly, to undertake the work. Much higher rates have hitherto been paid, and work people will not take the new low rates all at once; when the repairs to irrigation became general in 1873, a few men undertook contract work, but not one of them undertook a second work, and all the reason they gave was that it did not pay.
- (c). In Madanapully Taluq the expenditure is too small and there is no reason why the Overseer did not spend as much as in March and previous months, though he states that no works were stopped at the end of March; the only excuse that can be given is, the people will not work for sanctioned rates and as they were suffering from fever.
- (d). The expenditure in Voilpaud Taluq is Rupees 250; during whole of the last official year there were only 13 estimates sanctioned, all or nearly all of which had been worked out by the end of official year 1873-74.

2. The Cuddapah Range Officer states that the cause of short outlay is due to the irregular and unsatisfactory way in which work on tank banks in the Cuddapah Taluq was performed, to the inactivity of Poolivandala Taluq Overseer in not collecting a larger amount of materials for ~~the same~~ ^{the same} the negligence of Poddatoor Taluq Overseer in not getting his estimates earlier, for which he was punished.

3. The Officer in charge of Sidhout Range reports, that no expenditure whatever was incurred in Budwail Taluq by the neglect of the Overseer to measure up work and submit bills, for which he was punished by losing a portion of his travelling allowance.

(b). The expenditure in Sidhout Taluq was insignificant owing to Overseer being employed for the greater portion of the month in the Range Office to work up arrears.

(c). The expenditure in Pullumpett Taluq was Rupees 286; much more expenditure would have been the result if the Overseer, Mr. Ward, had taken proper interest in his work.

No. 337. From the same Officer, dated Camp at Yerravaripolliem, 16th September 1874, No. 1,146.

With reference to G. O., No. 2,032, dated 28th July 1874, I have the honor to report that the cause of short expenditure on Agricultural Works in Cuddapah District during the month of May is due to following causes.

1. The Madanapully Range Officer reports as follows:—

(a). The month of May was generally a wet month and not much work could be done beyond the collection of materials. Little or no work could be done to masonry works of tanks, or little progress made on Minor New Works, as most of the tanks in the range were filled early in the month.

(b). The expenditure in Royachoty Taluq was Rupees 219, and that in Kadri Taluq is only 66; the Overseers ought to have done better, there was nothing to prevent either from doubling or even trebling their expenditure; the only excuse the Kadri Taluq Overseer has is low rates, and the difficulty in obtaining labor.

(c). The expenditure in Madanapully was Rupees 21, and that in Voilpau Rupees 78; this is caused by there being only 13 incomplete works in both the taluqs; though most of these were completed, final payment was not made. Many estimates had to be returned to the Overseer of Voilpau Taluq for further and complete information.

2. In Cuddapah Range it was reported that there was an improvement; short outlay was due to the heavy rain which retarded several works, and especially stopped operations on river channels.

3. The Officer in charge of Sidhout Range states:—

(a). The expenditure in Badwail Taluq is Rupees 670.

(b). The short expenditure in Sidhout Taluq is owing to the Overseer being employed for half of the month in the Range Office to work up arrears, and for the failure of Contractors to bring their bills in to Range Office as the work done was measured late in the month.

(c). The expenditure in Pullumpett Taluq was Rupees 717, which was not satisfactory, owing to Overseer, Mr. Ward, having to take charge of Local and Works on account of the Local Fund Overseer resigning his post.

No. 338.

ORDER THEREON,

IRRIGATION, No. 28.

14th October 1874, No. 2,933.

THE Government cannot accept the explanation, that Overseers do not do their work properly, as an excuse for very inadequate progress on Agricultural Repairs. Overseers, as a rule, work well or badly according to the way in which they are instructed and supervised. It

is for Range Officers and the District Engineer to see that arrangements are suited to the circumstances, and much greater energy will be expected and required.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
,, District Engineer, Cuddapah.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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No 1141

Cuddapah District Engineers Office,
Camp Yerrawaripolam Dated 16th September 1874

To The District Engineer
Cuddapah

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

Sir

With reference to G.O. No 1904 of 15th July 74
I have the honor to report that the Cause of short
outlay on Agricultural Works in Cuddapah
District during the month of April 1874 is due to
undermentioned Causes.

1. The Kadavapully Range Officer states
as follows.—

(a) The expenditure in Rayachoty Taluq is Rs 250
but there was nothing to prevent the Overseer from
doubling his expenditure, he has been warned
and is now gaining experience.

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difficulties to contend against, there being
no petty Contractors who will undertake small
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to undertake the work. Such higher rates
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in 1873, a few men undertook Contract work,
but not one of them undertook a second
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that it did not pay.

(C) In a Madanapally Taluq the expenditure is too small and there is no reason why the Overseer did not spend as much as in Norels and previous months, though he states that no works were stopped at the end of March; the only excuse that can be given is, the people will not work for sanctioned rates and as they were suffering from fever.

(d) The expenditure in Norels Taluq is Rs 250; during whole of the last official year there were only 13 Estimates sanctioned, all or nearly all of which had been worked out by the end of Official year 1873-74.

2. The Cuddapah Range Officer states that the Cause of short outlay is due to the irregular and unsatisfactory way in which work on Tank banks in the Cuddapah Taluq was performed, to the inactivity of Pooliswara Cuddapah Taluq Overseer in not collecting or larger amount of materials for a river from N.R.C. and to the negligence of Poddatur Taluq Overseer in not getting his Estimates earlier for which he was furnished.

3. The Officer in Charge of Sidhout Range reports that no expenditure whatever was incurred in Budwail Taluq by the neglect of the Overseer to measure up work and submit bills for which he was furnished by losing a portion of his travelling allowance.

(b) The expenditure in Sidhout Taluq was insignificant owing to Overseer being employed for the greater portion of the month in the Range Office to work up arrears.

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(C) The expenditure in Pullampatti Taluq was Rs 286; much more expenditure would have been the result if the Overseer Mr Ward had taken proper interest in his work.

Have the honor to be Sir

Your obedient servant
W. H. Goldie
District Engineer
Cuddapah.

The Madanapally Range Officer reports as follows—

(a) The month of May was generally a wet month and not much work could be done beyond the collection of materials. Little or no work could be done to Masonry works of tanks or little progress made on minor masonry works as most of the tanks in the Range were filled early in the month.

(b) The expenditure in Rayachoty Taluq was Rs 219 and that in Kadiri Taluq is only 66; the Overseers ought to have done better. There was nothing to prevent either from doubling or even tripling their expenditure, the only excuse the Kadiri Taluq Overseer has, is low rates, and the difficulty in obtaining labor.

Subscribed the order
for sending this report

Respectfully
submitted
to the
District
Engineer
Cuddapah

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No 336
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to G.O. No 1904 of 15th Aug.
the Cause of what delays
in Agricultural Works
in Gaddapah District
during the month of May
April 1874.
G.O. No 2933 of 14-10-74.

Dated 16th
Recd 23rd of September
1874.

The District Engineer
Gaddapah
The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

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Gaddapah District Engineer's Office
Camp Yerravaripolim 16th September
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The District Engineer
Gaddapah

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

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Submitted for order
Hon'ble the Secretary to Govt

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The District Engineer
Gaddapah

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2.—In Gaddapah Range it was reported that there was an improvement; short outlay was due to the heavy rain which retarded several works, and especially stopped operations on river channels.

3.—The Officer in charge of Sidhout Range states,

(a) The expenditure in Budwail Tahsil is Rs 670.

(b) The short expenditure in Sidhout Tahsil owing to the Overseer being employed for half of the month in the Range Office to look up arrears, and for the failure of Contractors to bring their bills in. to Range Office as the work done was measured late in the month.

(c) The expenditure in Pullumpettah Tahsil was Rs 417, which was not satisfactory. Owing to Overseer Mr. Deard having to take Charge of Local Fund Works on account of the Local Fund Overseer resigning his post.

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Have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
D. W. J. Esq. R.E.
District Engineer
Cuddalore

Mr. D. W. J.
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to express surprise that a
D. W. J. Esq. and excuse he is
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To
The Secretary to Bank
of N.Y.

Mr. J. W. Foster Esq.
New York

No. 5929.

The District Attorney
Catharine

Pro: of the Madras Government
 Read the following
 From
 The S. Engineers } 2933
 Cuddalore } (H. E. No. 1141 of 16 Sept 11)
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Wm 26/9/74

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To the Chief Engr for S. E. Luddapalle
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