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Government of Madras

Public Works DEPARTMENT

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No. 38. Read the following letter from Major J. BEATTY, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery, to Lieut.-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Dowlaishweram, 24th October 1874, No. 2,320:—

I HAVE the honor to report that the Controller of Public Works Accounts considers an order* of Government necessary in the case of D. Ramannah Naidu, the person I have appointed to the Anicut superintendentship, though I referred him to G. O., No. 1,431, of

1 Copy of Controller's remarks.
1 Do. of Testimonials.

* *Vide* copy of his remarks on the Disallowance Statement.

27th May 1873, which states that "the appointment of Anicut Superintendent is not necessarily held by a certificated Overseer," and to paragraph 3 of G. O., No. 1,038, of 22nd April 1874, where it is directed that the District Engineer shall be careful (not that the men have passed certain tests, but) that they are fully qualified, and have practical experience of the kind required.

2. When I joined this district Overseer Harris was in charge of the Anicut Superintendent's duties and a great deal of other work, far more than one man could satisfactorily perform; and this had led to the new appointment being sanctioned. I consulted the Range Officers as to the best man to have the vacant post, but they had no one to recommend; at the same time I found that no certificated Overseer, of experience and proved ability, would take it up, as it would necessarily take him out of the ordinary course of promotion; and to appoint a young man fresh from the Civil Engineering College would be a dangerous experiment in a position of such responsibility.

3. D. Ramannah Naidu is a 1st class Draughtsman, and after serving in that capacity for five years in the Godavery and Vizagapatam, he had five years' experience as Local Fund Sub-Overseer in the latter district; where, owing to the small number of Imperial Overseers, the Sub-Overseers are called upon to take their share in all the important Imperial and Provincial works, such as buildings and irrigation, in addition to the road works.

4. While employed as Sub-Overseer, Ramannah showed all the qualities specially required in the superintendence of large works, ability to collect labor and materials, tact in managing workmen and in dealing with the people around him, as well as with members of other departments; while his works were invariably done well, quickly, and cheaply. Wherever he has gone he has effected reduction of rates and savings on estimates.

5. He served as Draughtsman under Mr. J. W. Rundall, in the Godavery District, and then came to me as Draughtsman at Vizagapatam. Lieutenant J. F. Dorward had Ramannah appointed a Local Fund Sub-Overseer; he subsequently came again under my charge, and afterwards served under Captain Hindle and Mr. Brickwell. I know that these Officers* esteemed him highly as an intelligent, experienced, and trustworthy subordinate.

* Copies of testimonials are herewith sent.

6. Ramannah is a certificated Draughtsman, and an Overseer, Surveyor and Leveller of proved efficiency. I believe him to be specially fitted for the post of Anicut Superintendent, and trust you will have the appointment confirmed by Government.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd December 1874.*

No. 39. ORDER THEREON, 3rd December 1874, No. 3,388.

IRRIGATION, No. 4.

Establishment.

UNDER the circumstances reported by the District Engineer, Godavery, the appointment of D. Ramannah to the post of Anicut Superintendent is approved,

and the full salary of the appointment will be passed to him.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Godavery.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.

TESTIMONIALS
Of
D. Ramanna Naidoo

COLLEGE OF CIVIL ENGINEERING - MADRAS.

Certificate No. 137 Dated the 5th August 1864

Certified that D. Ramannah Naidoo is duly qualified as a first class Draughtsman and Estimator in an Engineer's Office, vide Government notification of 19th August 1861.

(Signed) W. H. ENGCOMB Captain R. E.
Principal C. E. College.

First class Draughtsman D. Ramana was employed as Acting Draughtsman in my Office at Waltair for 3 months and conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. I considered him intelligent and painstaking. He had also charge of considerable quantity of stores in this capacity of storekeeper, I found him trustworthy. He received Rs. 40 per month, the full pay of the post in which he was acting and on leaving this Office he proceeded (4th February 1865) to join his new appointment of Draughtsman in No. 2 Central Delta Range Godavery District.

Vizagapatam Executive Engineer's Office.

Waltair 28 February 1865

(Signed) J. Beatty Captain R. E.
Executive Engineer Vizagapatam.

I found Ramanna very very attentive and painstaking and with more experience, he will be a very useful servant. He leaves my Range on his own request to join an appointment at his native place.

Godavery District Range No. II

7th November 1865.

(Signed) J.W. RUNFALL
Executive Engineer

D. Ramana has been serving under me as Draughtsman and Estimate maker in the 2nd Range Vizagapatam for the last 3 months, and I have been much pleased with the way in which he has acquitted himself in that period. He is a best Draughtsman and writer and a good Estimate maker. He is very painstaking and hard working.

Waltair

1st November 1866.

(Signed) H. SMALLEY Captain R. E.
Executive Engineer Vizagapatam

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1874

D. Ramanah Naidu has been Draughtsman in the Vizagapatam Range Office, since November 1865. His conduct has always been good, and he performs the duties of his post very satisfactorily. On my recommendation he was lately appointed a Local Fund Overseer by the Superintending Engineer, but owing to the want of a competent person to take his place in the Range Office, his services there cannot yet be spared.

Waltair

29th May 1869.

(Signed) J. BEATTY Captain R. E.

Executive Engineer Vizagapatam

D. RAMANAH NAIDU.

Establishment.	Present Rank.	Present salary.	Remarks regarding special commendation on work of approbation.
No. II Range, Vizagapatam.	Local Fund Overseer.	60 " "	A neat Draughtsman; a careful estimator; and an intelligent Overseer.

12th August 1871.

(Signed) J. F. DORWARD Lieutt. R. E.

Executive Engineer

Extract from the Quarterly return of 31st March 1873.

Strongly recommended to be promoted to Imperial Fund Overseer, is fully capable of filling such post efficiently, much better qualified for such position than most of the College men. His time is too much occupied to permit of his studying for the examination, which I have not the slightest doubt he would pass successfully if he had, but an opportunity to study. I strongly urge that his may be made a special case.

(Signed) Captain J. W. HINDLE
Executive Engineer.

Camp Godaury Anicut
25-2-74.

To
The District Engineer
Vizagapatam

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith an application from L. F. Overseer D. Ramannah for the Imperial Fund Overseer ship vacated by Mr. STEWART on promotion for your favourable consideration.

I fully concur with the commendatory remarks made by the Officers under whom Ramannah has formerly served and beg strongly to recommend his entertainment as Imperial Fund Overseer on condition of his passing the prescribed Test within a year after his appointment. I also enclose copies of Quarterly returns in which Ramannah has been favourably noticed by his superiors.

Not I or Golconda Range Office

8th August 1874.

(Signed) F. BRICKWELL C. E.

Assistant Engineer

This is to certify that D. Ramanna has been employed as an Overseer on works in this Range under my orders, by special arrangement, since December 1872. and that he was permanently appointed to this Range in July 1873. I consider him a good Overseer and one who will endeavour to carry out an idea new to him with persevering intelligence and energy. He has had practical training on works and his knowledge is in no way inferior to that of many college men I have known. He leaves this on promotion which he fully deserves. Had I been able to offer him such here I should have been unwilling to part with him.

(Signed) F. BRICKWELL C. E.
Assistant Engineer.

WALT AIR 11th August 1874.

D. Ramanah Naidu served under me when I was Executive Engineer of Vizianagram from November 1872. to July 1873. when in the exigencies of the service he was transferred to the Narsipatam Range. I was very unwilling to part with him and am really glad that he has since obtained promotion. I always found him hardworking, willing and honest and that he took a great pride in his profession and was moreover exceedingly anxious to learn and improve himself, a trait in his character very unlike that of most Overseers that I have had under me.

I feel no doubt that he will improve under such an Officer as Major BEATTY R. E. who has known him much longer than I have, and who I know always held a very high opinion of him; I wish him every success and I do not fear that he will obtain it if he continues in the path of honesty and perseverance.

(Signed) J. W. HINDLE Capt.
Offg. District Engineer Vizagapatam

(True Copies.)

Copy of Remarks by the Offg.
Controller on a Disallowance Statement
dated 15th September No 513.

As the two Government orders
quoted by the District Engineer make no
reference to G.O. No 1117 of the 8th April 1869,
in which it is ruled that no unpassed
Candidate can be appointed to the Com-
-servancy Establishment on salaries of Rs 20
per mensem and upwards except in Spe-
-cial cases with the sanction of Govern-
-ment it is suggested that application
be made for this description in D.
Rammiah's case in order to the full
salary of the appointment of Assistant
Superintendent being passed to him.

Fort Saint George
11th October 1874

Signed J. Moss
Officiating Controller of P.W. Works
(True Copy)

L. Scott Major R.E.
District Engineer Godavery

Rs 2000/34
Rs 252/14
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Your most obedient Serv^t
J. Peatty. Major R.E.
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P. O. No. 1374 Department
Am. of 1st. 2034
From, No. 7282
The District Engineer
Godavery.

To
The Chief Engineer
for Irrigation.

Dated 24th October 1874
Recd 2nd November
1874 No. 2328

9/11/74 Enclosures Two
Requesting that
D. Ramannah may
may be confirmed
in the post of Anni-
cut Superintendent.

W. No. 2388. 3-12-74.

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Noted 21-11-74
Sent to P. O. 18/11/74

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To the S. E. Godavery
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Sent to both 4/12/74.

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Govt. of 1874 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Dist. Ingr.
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