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14th May 1875.*

Read the following papers —

No 309 From Major J BEATTY, R.E, District Engineer, Godavery, to Lieutenant-Colonel J MULLINS, R.E, Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government, dated Dowlaishweram, 15th April 1875, No 186

With reference to your memorandum, No 676, of 5th September 1874, I have

- 1 Longitudinal Section
- 1 Estimate of Earthworks
- 1 Do Under tunnel
- 1 Plan of do
- 1 Range officer's letter, No 723, of 17th March 1875
- 1 Do do No 6, of 5th April 1875
- 2 Surveys

the honor to submit a revised estimate for the Asunta new channel, a continuation of the Neggipudi branch channel

2 On further inquiry the areas under each of the three channels which receive their supply from the old Penugonda sluice are as follow —

	ACRES
Penugonda channel	1,000
Neggipudi branch	200
Asunta new channel	1,500
Total	2,700

3 The Asunta new channel having a bottom width of 3 feet, a depth of 3 feet, side slopes of $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 1, and a fall of about $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches per mile, will discharge 3,351 cubic yards per hour, or about $2\frac{1}{4}$ cubic yards per hour per acre to the 1,500 acres commanded by it I forward Lieutenant Dorward's explanation for not altering the earthwork estimate

4 The total cost of the works estimated for is Rupees 5,250, or $3\frac{1}{2}$ Rupees per acre on 1,500 acres The amount allowed in the project was Rupees 1,000 only, and it is proposed to meet the excess from savings on "Restoring Navigation with the Weyauru," which exceed Rupees 8,000

5 The arrangements at the head will be left very much as they are for the present The old Penugonda sluice may be allowed to stand a few years more, and when a new one is built it will naturally be placed on the other side of the Siddhantam road. The only masonry work in the present revised estimate is therefore the under tunnel required to pass the Martair drain, which is indispensable.

6 Enclosed you will find the Range Officer's letter submitting the revised estimate

From Lieutenant A R F DORWARD, R.E, Assistant Engineer, in charge No 3 or Western Delta Range, Godavery District, to Major J BEATTY, R.E, District Engineer, Godavery, dated Nursapur, 17th March 1875, No 723

With reference to your No 1,996, of 24th September 1874, and its accompanying memorandum of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, I have the honor to forward the following plans and estimates —

- (1) Survey showing arrangements at head of channel (Penugonda sluice)
- (2) Survey of Neggipudi branch channel to where its continuation (Asunta new channel) takes off
- (3) The longitudinal section of Asunta new channel according to which work was carried out
- (4) Plan and estimate of tunnel to pass Martair drain under Asunta new channel

Plan No. 1 shows how unsuitable, as permanencies, the arrangements at head are, they will be slightly improved this year by altering heads of channels and putting revetments as shown by dotted black lines The sluice is an old work

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In my opinion it would be the best plan to make the present arrangements at head as effective as possible, and not to undertake any new work at present. Last year's experience has shown that with these arrangements there was but little difficulty in giving a fair supply to all lands under the sluice, and there are many works all over the delta which are much more urgently required.

The case of the under tunnel is different, and it should be constructed as soon as possible.

In a few years it will probably be necessary to rebuild the head sluice, and the best way to suit both channels will then, I think, be to place it below the road and to build it with two separate vents, one for each channel, at the end of Neggipudi branch (the continuation of this channel is Asunta new channel) a drop would be required to drop water about five feet.

The other method would be to give the Asunta new channel a separate head in the main canal at the point where it leaves the Neggipudi branch, this would do nothing to improve matters for the Penugonda channel and Neggipudi branch, and would make two offtakes from the main canal instead of one. If adopted a new sluice at head of Penugonda channel would have to provide a separate vent for the 200 acres of irrigation under the Neggipudi branch.

* See this Office No 233 of 8th August 1874	The area under the Penugonda channel is ..	Acres. 1,000
	" " Neggipudi and Asunta channels*	1,700
† Estimate herewith	The total estimate as now submitted is---	RS.
	Earthwork†	3,400
	Compensation for land	900
	Masonry	950
	Total ..	5,250

From the same Office, dated Nursapore, 5th March 1875, No 6

With reference to paragraph 1 of the above Memorandum, I have the honor to point out that the channel was finished some months before the memorandum of the Chief Engineer referred to was written. With reference to paragraph 2, I understand the Chief Engineer's views to be that the ordinary supply should be 2 cubic yards per hour, and that with this discharge the water in the channel should be at the proper level for the irrigation of the lands under it. With the channel under reference this is the case when there is nearly 3 feet of water in the channel. But the Chief Engineer points out that the channel should be capable of carrying an increased amount as a maximum (in this case 3 cubic yards per hour per acre). By increasing the depth in the channel this supply could be obtained, and, as the banks are 3 feet above ordinary (as above defined) full supply level, could be earned with perfect safety.

No. 419

No 310 Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

In January last, the District Engineer, Godavery, brought to notice that in the estimate for the Nursapore Canal, under Distribution, a sum of Rupees 1,000 was allowed for extending the Penugonda channel to the lands of Asunta, the length of such extension being 4,000 yards. On taking up this work it was found that the channel would require to be $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles in length, and an estimate amounting to Rupees 4,300 was transmitted for the earthworks of the required channel.

2 The District Engineer was informed that a complete estimate would be awaited, and he was desired to report whether the excess on this distributary could be met from the lump sum distribution for the Nursapore or other canals of the Western Delta. In reply to this, Lieutenant-Colonel Fischer stated that the funds

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required could be easily provided from the savings on the Western Delta project

No 166, 18th February generally, and it was then pointed out that, to enable the matter to be laid before Government, it would be necessary to show in detail what savings would be available From District Engineer, No 430, 9th May 1874 There was some further correspondence To do No 336, 21st " " showing that a sufficient saving from the junction canal between the Ellore canal and the Weyairu would be effected, and in his letter now submitted, Major Beatty shows that the amount of saving will be about 8,000 Rupees, at the same time he has forwarded an estimate for the following masonry works required for the channel —

	RS
A regulating weir at the bund .	2,140
A tunnel over the Martair drain .	950
Total	3,090

which, added to the earthworks estimate, makes the total Rupees 7,390.

3 From Mr Walch's letter, No 507, of the 10th January 1874, it appeared that there are 725 acres of existing irrigation to be brought under this channel, and 1,500 acres of additional land, and as the latter only can be taken into account in looking at the cost of distribution this, which would amount to but little under 5 Rupees an acre, was considered high. A reference (No 676, 5th September 1874,) was therefore made to the District Engineer, and the result* has been a reduction of the proposed present outlay to Rupees 5,250, which is still sufficiently high; and as it appears from the Range Officer's letter,† transmitted by Major Beatty, that the arrangements are likely to be effective and sufficient for some years to come, they may be sanctioned.

* No 186, 15th April 1875

† No 723, 17th March 1875

4 As regards funds, of which Rupees 4,250 in excess of the provision in the estimates are required, it has been mentioned that there will be, or indeed is, a saving of Rupees 8,000 available from the Weyairu Junction estimate, and pending a general review of savings and increases on the Western Delta estimates, it may be assumed, it is thought, that the present excess may be sanctioned under the rules

OOTACAMUND, (Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lieut -Colonel, R E,
27th April 1875 Chief Engineer for Irrigation

No 311 ORDER THEREON, 14th May 1875, No 1,374

IRRIGATION, No 31

UNDER the circumstances reported the estimate amounting to Rupees 5,250 for the Asunta Channel, Nursapore Canal, is sanctioned under Distribution, Western Delta, Godavery. It is observed that this estimate exceeds, by Rupees 4,250, the provision for this particular distributary, and

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that the excess may be met from a saving of about Rupees 8,000 on the Junction Canal
(Weyaru and Ellore Canal)

(True Extract)

Major, R.E.,
Offg Joint Secretary to Government

N^o 419.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation

Letter N^o 3089.

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N^o 72. 27th June 2. The District Engineer was informed that a complete estimate would be awaited, and he was desired to report whether the excess on this distributary could be met from the lump sum distribution for the Mysore or other Canals.

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Lieut Col. Fischer stated that the funds *N^o 3283 - 6th Feb*
required could be easily provided from
the savings on the Western Delta project
generally, and it was then pointed out *N^o 166 - 18th Feb*
that to enable the matter to be laid
before Govt it would be necessary
to show in detail what savings would
be available. There was some further
correspondence showing that a sufficient *From DE N^o 430*
saving from the Junction Canal between *9/5/74*
the Ellore Canal and the Wynnum would *To - do N^o 386 - 21*
be effected, and in his letter now sub- *N^o 1651 - 24th Aug⁵*
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amount of saving will be about 8000
Rupees at the same time he has for-
warded an estimate for the following
Masonry works required for the Channel.

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A tunnel over the Mountain drain 950
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17th March 1875
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They may be sanctioned.

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under the rules.

Voluntarily Lt. Col. R.B.

Correspondence

24th April 1875.

Chief Eng. for Eng.

To The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Mr. 1875-Sept
No. 419 No. 295b.

From
The Chief Engineer for
Irrigation
To the Secretary to Govt.
P. W. D.

Dated 27th April
Received 4th May } 1875
Enclosure 9.

Note on the subject of
the extension of the Penoo-
gonda Channel to the
lands of Asunta entered
in the list for Kurnool
Canal Godavery Dist.
El. No. 1274. H-5-75.

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Read the following.

From the Chief Engineer
for Irrigation } (M. S. No. 419 dated 27th April/75)

G O No 1374 of 14th May/75

Under the circum-
stances reported the
estimate amounting to
Rupees 5,250 for the
Asunta Channel Kur-
nool Canal is sanction-
ed under Distribution,
Western Delta, Godavery.
It is observed that this
estimate exceeds by Rupees
4,250 the provision for
this particular distribu-
tion, and that the excess

May

may be met from a
savings of about Rupees
8000 on the Junction Canal
(Wazir & Ellore Canal)

Ans

No 309-311

To Dist. Supd. Godavari
- Chf. Supd. Irrigation with 8 districts
- Chf. Secy. W.P.

S-C dated 27-5-75

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Canal.— The estimate amounting
to Rs: 5,250 for the ———,
sanctioned under Distribution,
Western Delta, Godavery, with
remarks.