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Read the following letters :—

No. 500. From Major J. BEATTY, R.E., Acting Superintending Engineer, Godavery, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 26th August 1875, No. 1,608.

WITH reference to the Orders of Government, Nos. 104 and 2,119, of 14th and 24th ultimo, respectively, I have the honor to inform you that up to this date the Marine Department has only taken charge of the steamer *Frank and Ada* and the dredge No. 1. I send, herewith, as directed, a copy of the receipt given by the Master Attendant.

2. The dredge No. 2 and the twelve sea punts are still in charge of this department, together with a large quantity of stores belonging to the dredges and punts. The Range Officer has informed the Master Attendant that he is prepared to attend and hand them over, and for some reason not clearly understood but apparently having connection with their present state of repair, Captain Castor hesitates to take over charge.

3. I suggested that it was open to him to make any remarks in the transfer certificate with regard to the condition of the dredge, her stores, &c., but as yet even this has failed to produce the desired effect.

4. As regards the dredge No. 2, she has not lately received ordinary repairs, such as painting, caulking, &c., but when some of her buckets have been repaired she will be in perfect working order, though of course she would be the better of ordinary repairs. Eighteen of her buckets have been lately repaired and are now ready for use, but a number of the spare buckets are out of repair, and I have directed the Dredge Superintendent to send these into the workshop at once.

5. Both the harbour dredges were constructed so far back as 1859-60, and having been ever since in salt water are believed to require rebottoming.

6. Of the twelve harbour punts, one was new in 1871-72 and is believed to require only ordinary repairs, six others (including two now in the workshop at Dowlaishweram) have received special repairs within the last few years, the remaining five are in bad order and in need of special repairs.

7. As the Marine Department have not taken charge of the dredge, the punts, and the stores belonging to them, some expenditure is going on for the charge of these, but all work has been stopped at the dredging of the river and bar.

8. The expenditure from this year's grant of Rupees 5,000 was Rs. 3,860-5-0 up to 31st July, so that there is a balance of Rupees 1,139-9-0 to hand over to the Marine Department. In addition to this there is a large supply of firewood standing in the accounts at Rupees 1,112-1-6; this may go with the plant, or it may be transferred to other works, and its value paid to the Marine Department, whichever they prefer.

No. 501. From the same Officer, dated Dowlaishweram, 30th August 1875, No. 1,655.

IN continuation of my letter No. 1,608, of 26th instant, I have the honor to furnish, herewith, a statement showing the funds applied for, but not yet allotted, for the repairs (ordinary and special) of the harbour plant in the present official year; and

to request instructions whether either or both kinds of repairs should in future be carried out by this department, as I think it probable that the Marine Department would prefer getting the work done for themselves.

No. 502. ORDER THEREON, 21st September 1875, No. 2,734.

ACCOUNT, No. 22.

THE Master Attendant will be instructed in the Marine Department to arrange that both dredges and all twelve punts be taken over without further delay by his subordinate at Cocanada. The transfer of the dredging work from one department to the other originally proposed in G.O., No. 263 AA, of 1st February, was recommended in Captain Taylor's report of 23rd March, and finally acquiesced in by G.O., No. 1,271, of 5th May. It is not satisfactory therefore to find the transfer delayed by the state in which the plant may happen to be. It is known to have been ill-cared for and worked under former management, but systematic efforts have been made in the last two years to remedy its state. And it would appear from the statements received that the two dredges and five of the punts, one only in want of ordinary repairs, two other punts under special repair, are all but ready for use, and the remaining five still require special repair. These repairs can either be carried out by the Marine Department or given to the Public Works Workshop for execution, as may be desired. The firewood alluded to in paragraph 8 of the first letter under note will be taken over by the Master Attendant, Cocanada, at its valuation in the Public Works Accounts, or that value will be paid over to the Marine Department from any works to which it may be transferred. These are matters which should be arranged departmentally, and not require reference to Government. The date from which final transfer is made by the Public Works to the Marine Department should be fixed not later than the 1st October, and report made of its being duly carried out.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Marine Department.
„ District Engineer, Godavery.
„ „ „ Presidency.
„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE, GODAVERY.

No. 1608 DOWLAISHWARUM, 26 August 1875.

From

Major J. Beatty R.E.
Offg. District Engineer
Godavery District

To

Major General C. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government D. P. W.
MADRAS

SIR,

With reference to the Orders of Government G.O. No. 10 and 2119 of 7th inst. and my telegram respectively, I have the honor to inform you that up to this date the Marine Department have not taken charge of the Dredges and Punts, nor has any communication been received from the Master Attendant Cocanada, stating when he will be prepared to receive charge.

2. The Dredges Pilot, and the 12 Lascars are still in charge of the Department together with a large quantity of stores belonging to the Dredges and Punts. The Range Officer has informed the Master Attendant that he is prepared to retain and hand them over, and for some reason not clearly understood but apparently having connection with the present state of repair, Captain Taylor considers it his duty to take over charge.

3. I suggested that it was open to him to make any remarks in the transfer certificate with regard to the condition of the Dredge her Stores &ca, but as yet even this has failed to produce the desired effect.

4. As regards the Dredge No 2 she has not lately received ordinary repairs such as painting, caulking &c, but when some of her buckets have been repaired she will be in perfect working order, though of course she would be the better of ordinary repairs. 18 of her buckets have been lately repaired and are now ready for use, but a number of the spare buckets are out of repair, and I have directed the Dredge Superintendent to send these in to the Workshop at once.

5. Both the harbour dredges were constructed so far back as 1859-60, and having been ever since in salt water are believed to require rebottoming.

6. Of the 12 harbour punts, one was now in 1871-72 and is believed to require only ordinary repairs; 6 others (including two now in the Workshop at Dowlaishwaram) have received special repairs within the last few years, the remaining five are in bad order and in need of special repairs.

7. As the Marine Department have not taken charge of the Dredge, the Punts, and the stores belonging to them some expenditure is going on for the charge of these, but all work has been stopped at the dredging of the river and bar.

8. The expenditure from this year's grant of Rupees 5000, was Rs 3860-7-0 up to 31st July, so that there is a balance of Rs 1139-9-0 to hand over to the Marine Department. In addition to this there is a large supply of firewood standing in the accounts at Rs 1112-1-6, this may go with the Plant, or it may be transferred to other works and its value paid to the Marine Department, whichever they prefer.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most obedient Servant

J. Beatty - Major R.E.

Ag Superintending Engineer Gody

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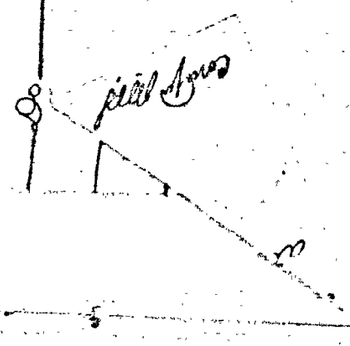

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The District Engineer,

Gunnery District

To

The Secretary to Government

Departmental Public Works

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Dated 26 August 1875

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Subject.

Forwarding copy of a receipt given by the Master Attendant Cocanada for a steamer and a Dredge with certain Stores made over to him.

Statement showing the sums asked for in the District Budget and incomplete works Statement on account of Ordinary and special Repairs of bour Plant.

Description of Plant.	Asked for in District Budget.	Do in Incomplete work Statement	Expended up to 31st July 1875.	Remarks.
irs of S.S. "Fred & May"	"	7,800	"	Estimate sanctioned in G.O. No. 646 of 6th Mar. 1875; a bill for Rupees 4797 against this work is now due. The work is about half done and is at present stopped by the leaky state of the dock during the freshes but will go on again as soon as the river falls.
ary Repairs to 2 Sea Dredges	900	"	50-9-"	Further repairs have been done but not yet paid for.
Do to No. 2 Sea Punt	271.50	"	"	Special Repairs to these punts ~~have~~ were carried out in 1874-75.
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Wages of Supt. over Harbour Plant at 40 Rupees per mensem	480	"	80-"	Estimate sanctioned in G.O. No. 1514 of 31st May/75. This man's services have still to be retained (though all work is stopped) because the Marine Dept. is delaying to take over charge of No. 2 D the Punts, & stores belonging to the Dredges & Punts.
	⊗ 11,975	12,022	130-9-"	⊗ Amount applied for in the Dist. Budget was Rs. 16,613; the difference is owing to the repairs of 2 of the Punts having been completed in 1874-75.

J. Beatty - Major R.E.
Ag. Supt. Engineer Goodwin District.

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DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE, GODAVERY.
DOWLAISHWARUM, 30th August 1875.

No. 1655

From.

Major J. Beatty R.E.
Ag Supt District Engineer
Godavery District

To.

Major General G. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government D. P. W.
MADRAS

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 1608 of 26 Instant, I have the honor to furnish herewith a statement showing the funds applied for, but not yet allotted, for the repairs (ordinary and special) of the Harbour Plant in the present official year; and to request instructions whether either or both kinds of repairs should in future be carried out by this Department as I think it probable that the Marine Department would prefer getting the work done for themselves.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most obedient Servt
J. Beatty Major R.E.
Ag Supt Engineer Godavery Distt.

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The Ag Supg Engineer Godavery } (H.C. No 1608 d/26th Aug 75)

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The Master Attendant will be instructed in the Marine Dept. to arrange that both Dredges, and all 12 Punts be taken over without further delay by his subordinate at Cocanada. The

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From Ag Supt

The District Engineer,

Godavery District.

To The Secretary to Government

Department Public Works

MADRAS

Dated 30th August 1875

Received 7 Sept 75

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Subject.

Forwards a statement showing the funds applied for but not allotted for the repairs of the Harbour Floating plant in the Current year, requests certain instructions.

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transfer of the dredging work from one Dept. to the other originally proposed in G.O. No. 263 A.A. of 1st February was recommended in Captain Taylor's Report of 23rd March and finally acquiesced in by G.O. No. 1271 of 5th May. It is not satisfactory therefore to find the transfer delayed by wrangling as to the state in which the Plant may happen to be. It is known to have been ill cared for and worked under former management, but systematic efforts have been made in the last 2 years to remedy ~~this~~ the state

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Ms despd to Marine Dept & Supt Engr Godavery on the 21 Sept 75.

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Floating Plant, Cocanada Harbour — Passing orders on letters from the Acting Supr. Engr. Godavery, relative to the transfer to the Marine Dept. of certain