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Read the following papers —

No 1341

No 512

M E M O R A N D U M

THE undersigned has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter, No 3,212, of the 2nd instant, from the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, and in reply to request Colonel F. Moberly to be good enough to go fully into the matter of the land required for the Chembrumbaukum Tank

2 With his letter, No 1,818, of the 10th August last, the Superintending Engineer transmitted a memorandum from the Acting Collector showing that about Rupees 50,840 would be needed during the current year for the payment of compensation, and in reply certain information

No 916, 14th August 1875 was asked for, which, with the exception of the first and very important item, *viz*, the amount provided on this account in the sanctioned estimate, has been shown in a statement transmitted with the letter under reply, but apparently without any examination by the Superintending Engineer into the facts shown, an examination which the following remarks will show to be imperative

3 In the abstract estimate printed in Proceedings, Madras Government, of the 17th May 1873, No 1,377, the sum entered on account of compensation is Rs 9,720, and the way in which this sum was arrived at is also detailed

4 It appears from a table given in Proceedings, Madras Government, 9th March 1871, No 705, that the area of the tank as carried out on the 6 feet scheme is Sqr yards 27,731,000 = 5,720 Acres and that of the old full tank contour, *viz*, top of dam stones „ 22,496,201 = 4,643 „

Difference 1,081 „

In the statement, dated 21st October 1875, on the other hand, it is mentioned that 4,921 acres are the area to be taken up for the project, and it would seem therefore that land is being acquired for the 15-feet project of Mr Fraser which has been long since abandoned Even this, however, would not explain the large area supposed to be necessary, for the area of the reservoir at the 15-feet contour is only Acres 7,190

That is, it was between F T L

and that at the crest of the old calingulabs which was not

former F T L is „ 4,522

Difference „ 2,668

so that it is very evident that measures must be taken at once for deciding what lands are required for the project as it has been carried out, for settling what part of this area has to be purchased, and at any rate approximately what the cost will be, a settlement which, it is believed, may very easily be effected

5 The Superintending Engineer is requested to take immediate steps,—

1st—For ascertaining the area of the tank bed before it was extended This can probably be determined from the Revenue Survey Map, but if not the former full tank level must be settled definitely and a contour must be run and laid down on the Survey Map

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2ndly —For laying down on the ground and demarcating the present full tank level and plotting this on the Revenue Survey Map

3rdly —For determining the area between the two contours under,

(1) Government Poramboke waste,

(2) Lands for which compensation has been or has to be paid

6 All lands lying outside the full tank contour which may have been paid for should be resold under arrangements which will have to be made by the Collector, and probably their retransfer to their former owners with a refund of the compensation will generally be practicable All lands so situated which have not been paid for will of course now not be acquired

7 The Superintending Engineer is authorized to employ a Surveyor to lay down the contour line of the present F T L, and, if necessary, of the former F T L, and he should take care that no delay is allowed to occur, and that proper arrangements are made in communication with the Collector for the permanent demarcation of the present F T L contour All the demarcation stones should be marked C T, and palmyra seeds should be sown in the lockspitting between the stones

CAMP AT PEDDATHIPPOO-

SAMOODRUM,

9th November 1875

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lt -Col, R E,

Chief Engineer for Irrigation

No 1,342

No 512-A Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation

The Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, having transmitted a memorandum

No 1,818, 10th August 1875

from the Collector, intimating that about Rupees 50,840 would be required in the current year for land compensation in connection with the Chembrumbaukum Tank

No 916, 14th August

Project, was requested to furnish certain information as to—

1st,—the sanctioned amount on this account,

2nd,—the total acreage required,

3rd,—the acreage already paid for,

4th,—the cost of this area,

No 3,212, 2nd November

and in reply he has transmitted a letter and statement from the Collector affording some of the information asked for

2 The amount provided in the revised or 6-feet project for the tank is Rs 9,720, and, as far as can be ascertained from the records of the project, the extent of land required is the difference between the former area of the tank and the area at the present F T L

Acres 4,648

„ 5,729

Difference

„ 1,081

It appears from the Collector's statement that the area supposed to be required is acres 4,921, of which acres 2,316 are entered as Government Poramboke waste, and

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acres 2,605 as lands to be acquired by purchase, while of the latter area acres 817 have been purchased at a cost of Rupees 26,458

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Calingulah crest level .

4,522

Top of dam stones

4,648

the difference being in the one case 2,668, and in the other 2,542 acres These areas have been deduced from the table printed in Proceedings, Madras Government, No 705, of the 9th March 1871, and they may not be accurate, but nevertheless the information available should have sufficed to show the Superintending Engineer that inquiry was necessary, and the demand for a sum so much in excess of the estimated cost should have led him to investigate the circumstances

4 The instructions sent to the Superintending Engineer are submitted for the information of Government

CAMP AT PEDDATHIPPOO-

SAMOODRUM,

9th November 1875

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lt -Col, R E,

Chief Engineer for Irrigation

No 512-B From Colonel F J MOBERLY, R E, Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, to Lieutenant-Colonel J MULLINS, R E, Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Gundy, 2nd November 1875, No 3,212

With reference to your memorandum, No 916, dated 14th August 1875, I have

1 Copy of Letter

1 „ of Statement

the honor to enclose copy of a letter,

No 611, dated 21st October 1875, and

statement, received from the Collector of

Chingleput, showing the particulars of land required, &c, for the Chembrumbaukum Tank Project as therein called for

From R J MELVILLE, Esq, Acting Collector of the Chingleput District, to Colonel F J MOBERLY, R E, Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, dated Chingleput, 21st October 1875, No 611

REFERRING to your docket, No 2,142, dated 30th August last, on the Chief Engineer's memorandum, dated 14th idem, I have the honor to forward a statement containing the required information. It will be seen from the statement that the extent submerged by the Chembrumbaukum Tank is acres 4,921 31, for acres 816 71, of which compensation has already been paid, the amount disbursed being Rupees 26,458-2-8, acres 2,316 30 are Poramboke or unassessed Government waste for which no money compensation need be paid, so that the extent for which compensation still remains to be paid is acres 1,788 30" The last-named acreage may possibly include some unassessed waste lands, but I have no means of stating accurately what the exact area will be, as the Special Deputy Collector has not as yet examined the lands or the accounts of one of the estates

2 The question of compensating Muttadars and Shrotrnemdars for the loss of their melwaram or landlord's share, will have to be treated separately hereafter as soon as the necessary

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statistics have been collected to determine the rent value of the lands taken up Compensation or loss of melwaram to Muttadars and other proprietors is generally given by deducting from the peishcush or quit-rent, as the case may be, a sum equivalent to the rent value of the lands lost to the proprietor, but cases may arise where it may be necessary to grant money compensation for past years

3 I have no information in my office as to the amount sanctioned in the estimate on account of compensation in connection with the project in question, but I have no doubt this information can be supplied from the records of your office

Statement showing the Acreage required for the Chembrumbaukum Project

Taluq	Amount sanctioned in the Estimate	Total extent required for the Project	Deduct Poramboke Government waste for which compensation is not required to be paid	Remainder	Extent for which compensation has already been disbursed	AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION PAID			Extent for which compensation has to be disbursed and settled
						Land	House, Trees, &c	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		ACRES	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES	RS A P	RS A P	RS A P	ACRES
Saidapett		2,775 68	1,895 24	880 44	742 97	23,433 8 10	307 8 0	23,741 0 10	137 47
Con, everam		2,145 63	421 06	1,724 57	73 74	2,717 1 10		2,717 1 10	1,650 88
Total		4,921 31	2,316 30	2,605 01	816 71	26,150 10 8	307 8 0	26,458 8 8	1,788 30

CHINGLEPUT,
21st October 1875

(Signed) R J MELVILLE,
Acting Collector, Chingleput

(Signed) F J MOBERLY, Colonel, R E,
Superintending Engineer, Chingleput.

No 513 ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1875, No 3,343

IRRIGATION, No 52

THE Honorable the Governor in Council has learnt with much dissatisfaction from the foregoing papers that the acquisition of land for the Chembrumbaukum Tank Project has been going on without reference, either to the actual area of land required, or to the amount of sanction for this item of the estimate, without also any representation by the Superintending Engineer or by the Controller of Public Works Accounts that this sanction had already been largely exceeded, and any investigation by the former officer into the correctness of the demand transmitted by him in August for a sum for expenditure on compensation which was between five and six times the total amount sanctioned It is clear that arrangements were being made for acquiring land for a project which has long since been abandoned, and it seems probable that some land altogether outside the F L. contour of the tank as carried out has been taken up

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2. It is evidently the duty of Public Works Officers to show, both on paper and on the ground, the land required, and without information from them the Revenue Officers cannot possibly tell what its boundaries are In the present case it would seem that no steps were taken to inform the Collector of the difference of boundary of the land required for the 6-feet project, and although it was perfectly clear from the Proceedings of Government, which was communicated to the Revenue Department, that a wide difference existed between the amount originally and subsequently allowed for compensation, it certainly ought not to have been left to the Revenue Officers, either to discover that the circumstances of the project, as regards lands required, had been completely changed, or to find out that a new boundary line had to be laid down.

3. The instructions of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation to the Superintending Engineer are approved, and Colonel Moberly will lose no time in carrying them out.

4 These Proceedings will be communicated to the Board of Revenue in order that the necessary steps may be taken at once by the Collector for determining the extent of Government Poramboke waste and other lands between the old and new full tank level contours, and for settling, as accurately and as quickly as may be possible, the amount for which sanction must be provided. The compensation being an item of the revised estimate, which has to be submitted to the Government of India, and which has been several times called for, it is necessary that a fairly reliable calculation of the amount should be made without delay.

5 The Superintending Engineer will report specially as soon as he has had the contours marked out, and he will transmit to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation a copy of the maps on which these contours may be shown and which he will have sent to the Collector for guidance in taking up the land.

6 It must not be overlooked that the assessment of all lands is required to be stated in order that the requisite provision in the estimate, on account of the capital amount represented, may be made.

7. The Superintending Engineer's and the Controller's attention will be called to G O, No 1,042, dated 15th April 1875. They will take care that the instructions therein given are in all cases duly attended to

(True Extract)

Major-General, R E,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput
 „ Controller of Public Works Accounts
 „ Revenue Department
 „ Board of Revenue
 „ Chief Engineer for Irrigation

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No 611

Chingleput District Collectors Office
Camp Chingleput 21st Oct 1875.

From

R. J. Melville Esq
Collector of the
Chingleput District.

To

Colonel F. J. Moberly R.E.
Superintending Engineer
Chingleput District.

Sir

Referring to your Docket No 2142 dated 30th August last on the Chief Engineer's Memorandum dated 14th Idem, I have the honor to forward a statement containing the required information. It will be seen from the statement that the extent submerged by the Chembrambakam tank is acres 4921.31, for acres 816.71 of which compensation has already been paid, the amount disbursed being Rs 26458-2-8. Acres 2316.50 are Poramboke or unassessed Govt waste for which no money compensation need be paid, so that the extent for which compensation still remains to be paid is acres 1788.50. The last named acreage may possibly include some unassessed waste lands, but I

have no means of stating accurately what the exact area will be, as the Special Deputy Collector has not as yet examined the lands or the accounts of one of the estates.

2 The question of compensating Moottadars & Shroddrindars for the loss of their Melwaram or Land-Lord's share, will have to be treated separately hereafter as soon as the necessary statistics have been collected to determine the rent value of the lands taken up. Compensation for loss of Melwaram to Moottadars and other proprietors is generally given by deducting from the Prishcush or quit-rent as the case may be a sum equivalent to the rent value of the lands lost to the proprietors, but cases may arise where it may be necessary to ~~pay~~ ^{grant} money compensation for past years.

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I have &c &c
Signed B. J. Melville
Collector.

/ True Copy /

J. B. Herbert Colonel R.E.
Superintending Engineer
Chingleput

Exhibited
Enclosed in a letter
from the Adj. Gen. sent
to the Chief Eng. Brigade
No. 3212 of 2 Nov 95

Taluk	Amount sanctioned in the Estimate	Total extent required for the Project	Bedrock & gravel which is waste for which compensation is not required to be paid.	Remains	Extent for which compensation has already been allowed	Amount of compensation paid			Extent for which compensation has to be disbursed & settled	Remarks
						Land	House trees &c.	Total		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Saidapett	+	2775 68	1895 24	880 44	742 97	23433 810	309 8	23741 10	137 47	
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October 1875

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Superintendent

Wm. J. McQuinn
Acting Collector

Yours ever
Charles Sumner

NO. 3212

Chingleput Superintending Engineer's Office,
Gndy, 2nd Nov^r. 1875.

From

THE SUP^g. ENGINEER

Chingleput.

To

The Chief Engineer
for Irrigation.

SIR,

With reference to your Memo:
Enc. 2. Copy of Letter Randam No. 916 dated 14th August 1875,
of Statement I have the honor to enclose copy of
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and Statement, received from the
Collector of Chingleput, shewing the
particulars of land required &c for
the Chembambakam Tank Project
as therein called for.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant.

Colonel, R. E.

Superintending Engineer Chingleput.

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Enclosure in a letter from
the Chief Engineer Chingleput
to the Chief Engineer for
Irrigation No. 3212 of
2nd Nov^r 1875

1875/11/25

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N^o 1341
Memorandum

Irrigation

The undersigned has the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the letter N^o 3212 of the 2^d Instant from the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, and in reply to request Colonel F. Moherly to be good enough to go fully into the matter of the land required for the Chembambankum Tank.

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N^o 916-14
August 1875

To Hon^{ble} Mr. A. W. 1342-9. 11/11/75
-do- Mr. S. S. 2. Chingleput
N^o 1341-9. 11/11/75

To

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

CHINGLEPUT

THE
Chief Engineer
for Irrigation

Dated

Received 3rd

Nov^r 1875

No. 3212

ENCLOSURE 2

Mr. Stowards comes
pendence from the
Collector in connection
with compensation.
He would like to know
for the Chembambankum
Tank Project.

CO 22 Knowledge
N^o 3212

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Camp at
Paddathippoo
Samoodrum
9th November 1875

Signed John Mullins Lieut. Col. R.E.
Chief Engineer for Irrigation

To The Superintending Engineer Chingleput.

John Mullins Lieut. Col. R.E.
Chief Engineer for Irrigation

To The Secretary to Government P.W.D.

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Mr. 2029/75.

W. 1818-10th
August 1875.

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Memorandum following ...

No. 1342

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9th November 1875

Wm. L. L. Lieut. Col. R. E.

Chief Engineer for Irrigation

To,

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

P. W. 1875 Sept.
No. 7379

From

The Chief Engr.
for Irrigation.

Dated 9th Nov. 1875.
Recd. 18th. -

E. L. No. 1342.

Note on the subject
of the acquisition of
land for the Chembram
bankum Tank project,
Chingleput Dist.

No. 572

G.O. No 3343. 22/11/75.

Dec. 19-11-75

No 3343. P. W. Sept.

Proceedings of the Mudashwami
under date the 22 Nov/75

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instructions therein given
are in all cases duly at-
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May 9/11/75
[Signature]

To The Supty Engr Chingleput
" Controller of P.W. Accounts
" Rev Dept
" B. of Revenue
" Chief Engr for Irrigation

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G. O. 22 Nov 1875, No 3366

Nos. 5-12 - 673

Chingleput District

Chingleput Dist —

Order dated on 10th 1875

to C. Engg for Irrigation

and for the acquisition

land for the —