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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12*th March* 1875.

No. 330A Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E., District Engineer, Madura, to Colonel G. W WALKER, R E, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp, Allinagaram, 13th February 1875, No. 4,672 —

I HAVE the honor to forward, for submission to the Government, the accompanying bill and copy of a letter just received from the Executive Engineer, Dindigul Range, with a view to the sum required for these towers being included with estimates already submitted to Government for the Pulney and Pereacolum Cutcherries

1 Bill
1 Copy of a letter

2 In the bill no details of the charge for woodwork is given, but I observe that in a former bill the rate entered was Rupees 3-12-0 a cubic foot for teakwood wrought and delivered at the Workshops at Madras. This is at least Rupee 1 a cubic foot higher than would have been charged at Dowlaishweram

3 It appears Mr Hawksworth indented for these on the 19th February 1874, but the bill for the work has only just been sent to me, and could not therefore be included in the estimates already submitted to the Government. The Executive Engineer does not explain that he took any steps to inquire what the cost would be, and did not remind me that this had to be provided for.

No. 330B. ORDER THEREON, 12th March 1875, No 706A.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 12

THE bill must be adjusted, but the Range Officer should have obtained an estimate of the cost of the towers from the General Superintendent before giving the order for them, and should have compared the charges with those locally current, deciding on the source of supply which was most economical.

2 Similar cases to the one now under the notice of the Government are not infrequent when apparently to avoid the trouble of carrying out work on the spot departmentally or otherwise, and regardless of cost, Range Officers have indented on the Public Works Workshops and thereby incurred unnecessary expense. District Engineers will be held responsible that this means of supply is not resorted to unless real advantage is thereby gained.

(True Extract)

Colonel, R E,
Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers
" District "
" the Executive Engineer, Wynaad
" the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd W. J. Lewis.
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Dindigul Range Office
February 1875

No 1325

From

The Officer in charge of
Dindigul Range

To

The District Engineer
Madura

Dated 9th
Camp Dindigul
Despatched 10th
Received 11th
} February 1875

Enclosure 1. Bill

Sir

In forwarding herewith for your information the General Supply Bill No 792 of 30/1/75 for Rupees 1002-15-2 for two Teak wood Towers supplied for Pulney and Periacolum Taluk Lutcherries I have the honor to request you will be so good as to inform me at your earliest Convenience whether the same Can be Adjusted or not.

I request this information because the Estimate for the Taluq Lutchery at Pulney allows only Rupees 283-8— and that for Paracolum Rupees 324— thus the

Total for two Towers is Rupees 607. 8 . .
but the amount for the former Towers Rupees
217. 15. 7 and that for the latter by Rupees
177. 7. 7 so that the total Towers is on
Rupees 395 . 7 . 2

I have the
Hon'ble Sir J. D. Hawkesworth Ewatin Esq.
in charge of the 2nd Division of Jaums

(True Copy)

Wm. T. Trotter Lieut. Col. R.E.
District Engineer Madura

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already submitted to Government for the Pulney
and Periacolam Cutcherries

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and delivered at the Workshops at Madura
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higher

No 4672/

District Engineers Office
Camp Allinagunna 18th February 1875

From

Lieutenant Colonel J.G. Stubbs R.E.
District Engineer Madura

To

Colonel C.H. Keller R.E.
Secretary to Government
Fort
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for
Submission to the Honble the Governor
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1 Copy of the letter transmitting the bill and copy of a letter from
received from the Executive Engineer Dindigul
Enclo 1 Bill Conjointly the sum required for
these Works being included with Estimates
Estimates submitted to Government for the Calendar
year and Specimen Estimate
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District Engineer Madura
to the Secy to Govt P.W.D
No 4672 Dated 18th Feby 1875.

District Engineers Office

Copy of Dindigul
Range officers letter No 1325
dated 9th Feby 75.

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Sir
Your most obed.t Servt
Lieut. Lieutenant Colonel
District Engineer Godavery

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Read the following

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From the District Engineer
Madura

No. 1052 dated 8/12 1875

Submitting (in duplicate) plan and estimate for the Annual Repairs of the Towers from the Officer in charge of the Trigonometrical Survey before granting the order for them, and Circular Lines to enquire the charges with the Engineer concerned according as the Contractor may be entitled to them.

Ordered that similar cases be referred to the Superintending Engineer for the Southern Circle

Ordered that the Contractor be informed that the Government do not consider the rates charged by him excessive, and that he must complete the work at the rates specified in his Contract.

Ordered that the Collector be informed that the Government do not consider the rates charged by the Contractor

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Genl

To The D.E. Madras
Asst. Engrs.
Sub Divl. Engrs.
Executive Engrs.
Controller of P.W. Accts.

Genl. Circ. No. 17 dated 17-8-75.

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To

Dated

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G. 12 Mar. 75. Encl. 7083

Nos. 330 A-330 B.

Wooden Levers for the Pulney & Perea colom Talay Catcheries -

Madras - The Bill for the Levers to be adjusted with certain remarks & Sr Engrs to be held responsible for any expenses incurred unnecessarily as Models or Workshops before submitting themselves

that work can be done for a less sum by local current -