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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th April 1876.*

No. 139. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R E., District Engineer, Madura, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Ramnad, 26th March 1876, No. 4,786 —

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge receipt of G O of the 29th February 1876, No. 561, and beg very respectfully to submit the following explanations for the consideration of the Government

2 The late Range Officer of the Dindigul Range, Mr. Hawksworth, sent me an estimate of the cost for surveying thirty-eight tanks in the Dindigul Taluq amounting to Rupees 288. I had no opportunity of checking this personally, and as the Government required this work to be done expeditiously, I submitted the request to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation who sanctioned the estimate in his Memorandum of the 3rd May 1875, No 455, in the following words —

“The following estimate of the cost of surveying tanks above the South Indian Railway, in the Dindigul Range, Madura District, is sanctioned under Circular No. 62, from the provision in the Irrigation Budget of 1875-76 for Survey Establishment.

“Surveying thirty-eight tanks, Rupees 288.”

Nothing further was said about detail of work actually performed I have no means myself of personally estimating this, and as I knew the work was urgently required, I gave it to the best Surveyor I had available on the faith of the sanction contained in the above Memorandum. Subsequently I was called upon to furnish these details, and they were sent in as required with an explanation to the effect that the contract had been given on the sanction already accorded to this estimate of Rupees 288.

3. I regret I should have incurred the displeasure of the Government in so acting, but I fully understood the Chief Engineer to mean he had sanctioned this estimate of Rupees 288 and acted accordingly. The man employed was a first-rate Surveyor and turned out the work in a short time, but it was impossible for me to know on what data Mr. Hawksworth had based his demands.

No. 140. ORDER THEREON, 7th April 1876, No. 926.

IRRIGATION, No. 8-A.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Madura.
” Chief Engineer for Irrigation

Exd T O'Connor.
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No. 4786. District Engineer's Office,
Panama, 26th March 1876.

Know all men by these presents,
Lieut. Col. J. F. Fischer D.C.
District Engineer of Panama

To Major General G. W. Walker
Secretary to Government

That the undersigned do hereby
acknowledge receipt of the
29th February 1876 of the
and very respectfully do submit
the following explanations for
the consideration of the Government

The Late Range Officer
of the Dindigul Range Mr. Hanks
worth sent me an estimate
of the cost for surveying 38
links in the Dindigul Taluk
amounting to Rs. 288. Had
no opportunity of checking
this

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required this work to be done. I
obviously I submitted the request
to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation
who sanctioned the Estimate
in his Memo: of the 3^d May 1875
in the following words:-
"The following estimate of the
cost of surveying tanks above the
South Indian Railway in the
Dindigul District is
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for me to know on what dates
Mr. Hawksworth had based his
demands.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed^t servant
W. T. Tucker M.B.E.
District Engineer of Madras

Per 1876 Sept
from No 2311

The District Engineer
Proctor

The Secretary to Govt
J. W. B.

Letter of 26 March 1876.
March 30th No 4986

Explanation on the
order issued by the
Commissioner regarding
the survey of lands
in the District of Columbia

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Current No 2311

From

*The Dt Engineer
Madras*

No 4786

Dated 26

Recd 30

March 1876

Subject —

*Explanations
regarding the survey
of Tanks in the
Dindigul Taluq**To. E.L.**On A*

ENCLOSURES

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Orders and Proceedings in file

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*No 926**Public Works Department.*

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the

7 April

READ the following —

*From**The Dist. Eng. Madras (H.E. No 4786 d/26th March 1876)**Ordered to be recorded.*

The District Engineer's proceedings were on his own showing very irregular. It is clear from the Circular quoted that details of work done were necessary, and had there been no Circular he would not have been justified in giving out work on contract without knowing the amount of work to be done.

*SD recd
H.A.**W. 3/4**D.E. Madras
C.E. for J.V.**1876-22-10-76**W. 3/4*

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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To

Mr. D. C. Madras

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Date

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7 April 1926

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Survey of Certain Lands
in the Madura Dt

Letter from the Office
furnishing explanation
in connection with the
Contract entered into
for the —. Recorded

*Ent. in R. F.
27-11-26*