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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th April 1876.*

No 151 Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 28th February 1876, No 288

ABSTRACT.—*Canjempolliem Channel, Coimbatore District*—Referring for consideration in the Public Works Department the question whether Rupees 104 required for an establishment for the conservancy of — can be provided from the Irrigation Budget in addition to the maintenance allotment for the channel.

No. 152.

ORDER THEREON, 8th April 1876, No 932.

IRRIGATION, No. 8-B

Establishment.

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2 On the other hand, the charge will probably be but a small percentage on the maintenance estimates, and though the work the establishment is to do has not been mentioned, doubtless constant inspection will be required under the circumstances of the *Canjempolliem* anicut. The usual tabular statement will therefore be prepared and submitted to the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 933, dated 8th April 1876.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel,

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

To the Superintending Engineer, Coimbatore
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation
" Revenue Department
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Collector of Coimbatore
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST GEORGE, 8th April 1876.

No. 153

No. 933

FROM

MAJOR-GENERAL G W WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

IRRIGATION, No 8-C

Establishment

SIR,—It is proposed by the Madras Government to maintain on the Caniem-polliem Channel, Coimbatore, a Conservancy Establishment consisting of one Monigar and four Neeranes, on monthly salaries of 5 Rupees and 2½ Rupees respectively

2. The total cost will accordingly amount to Rupees 180 per annum, of which the existing Land Assessment will provide for Rupees 76, thus leaving a balance to be met in the Public Works Department of Rupees 104. I am accordingly directed to apply for the sanction of the Government of India to the employment of the establishment referred to

3 A tabular statement in the usual form accompanies this letter, and I am to add that the circumstances of the irrigation work to be maintained are referred to in the Proceedings of this Government marginally noted, and which are herewith communicated.

G O, No 932, dated 8th April 1876

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

. Your most obedient servant,

Colonel,

Offg Under Secy. to Govt, P.W.D.,
for Secretary to Government

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Tabular Statement of Conservancy Staff required for the Camerapothem Channel, Coimbatore District

EXTRACT FROM HOME DEPART- MENT OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA	Office to which the Proposa- tion refers.	NATURE OF CHARGE				PROPOSITION						ORDERS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA	
		Present Scale		Proposed Scale		Permanent.		Temporary		Grounds of Proposition	Local Government's recom- mendation	Public Works Dept.	Financial Dept.
		No	Designation	Pay	No	Designation	Pay month- ly	Increase per Month	Decrease per Month				
Number	Date											Remarks.	Orders
							Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs				
					1	Monigar ...	5 0 0	5 0 0	-				
					4	Nearness at 2 1/2 Rs each	10 0 0	10 0 0	-				
						Total	15 0 0	15 0 0		Monthly			
						Minus	6 5 4			Met by existing Land Assessment			
						=	8 10 8	8 10 8					

Colonel,
Offg Under Secy. to Govt, P.W.D.,
for Secretary to Government.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
12th May 1875*

No 99 Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th April 1875, No 1,038 —

Read the following letter from A WEDDERBURN, Esq, Collector of Coimbatore, to H E STOKES, Esq, Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coimbatore, 2nd April 1875, No 83.

I HAVE the honor to report on Colonel Wilkieson's suggestion to abandon the Kanayempolliem Anicut as a source of revenue and to transfer the lands to the head of dry

Revenue Board's Proceedings Miscellaneous
No 2,513 of 20th March 1875

2. Before carrying out this suggestion I would propose that the executive repairs be handed over to the Revenue Department for next official year, this year's (1874-75) repair season is, of course, lost.

3. Notwithstanding the undoubtedly feverish locality in which this work is situated, I have made frequent inspections of it, and am of opinion that with a better clamping of the upper stones breaches may be avoided

4. When half the river runs through a breach, of course the channel cannot be very effective, but in spite of this some water was passing into the channel in October last, and there was good rice cultivation at Danaickankottah

5. It is very true that the *embouchure* of a considerable jungle stream is situated just at the head of the supply channel and tends to silt the same up, but I found, on my first visit in 1871, an excellent sand sluice about a quarter of a mile down the channel, which, if it had not been blocked up with branches, mud, etc, would have effectively scoured the head I got it put in order

6. Moreover the channel banks are high and apt to wash in and covered with thorny scrub, and the place is a very den of tigers, but if the average clearance amount be allotted, and an estimate for repair handed over for execution to the Revenue Department, I would hold out good hopes of success

7. It would, I think, be very retrograde policy to allow this valuable land to relapse into thick jungle, which undoubtedly it will do if the water supply is not kept up It would never pay to cultivate dry produce in such a place

8. If a proposal were for the first time submitted to make an anicut at Kanayempolliem, it would be for consideration whether it were advisable, but the work being extant, I would not counsel its abandonment, but a change of management.

9. It is on far too great a scale to be left to individual native enterprise, like small tanks, which, not being worth repair, have been so handed over

10. I entertain great doubts whether the irrigation is at all connected with the existence of fever, which is just as bad in the totally dry other tracts under the Neilgherry and other mountain ranges.

11. The rice cultivation is, in fact, a clearance, and allows of the perfilation of air.

12. I would therefore counsel that the repair, for this once, be sanctioned, and entrusted to Revenue agency for three years, as also the annual channel clearance.

13. I may mention a case in point where if, from failure of former repairs, work had been abandoned, great and unnecessary loss would have ensued

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
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When I was Collector of Bellary I found a repair of the Upper Toongaboodra native anicut at Bellihoonri going on in March 1867, only a month or six weeks then remained of safe working season. This work had been sanctioned for repair, and repairs had been made, in the previous year, but not being completed before the freshes, the whole repair, and more, was swept away, and a larger (i.e., double, I think Rupees 14,000) allotment required. It was an ancient very like the Kanyempolhem one, a rough native work depending for stability on large blocks of stone clamped together.

I asked the Overseer in charge whether he hoped to get the work secure before the beginning of May; he informed me it was utterly impossible, as he had insufficient number of Wudders, and these often absented themselves. I then sent orders to the Tahsildars to send every Wudder they could get in their taluqs, and by dint of incessant work the last stone was clamped a day before the freshes came in the beginning of May, for this interference I was rebuked officially, as I ought to have in the first instance written to the Superintending Engineer (who was then 200 miles away and could have given no help) and not myself had personal communication on the subject with the Overseer, though I fully, and at once, explained the cause of my interference to the Superintending Engineer.

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16. It is not the mere profit and loss account that should only be taken into consideration, there may be special circumstances, and I referred to the Bellary episode only to show that losses might occur, from inefficient repair, that should not be chargeable against the value of a work, the return from which would be also affected thereby.

17. As regards the Dhallipolliem area,

17 As regards the Dhallipolliem anicut which is, in fact, more of a channel head, the boulders in the stream diverting the water into the head of the channel, it is on such a small scale that the only source of astonishment to me was that its repair was ever undertaken by Department Public Works. I have no doubt that the landed proprietors under that channel would themselves do the needful; the assessment is light about Rupees 3 an acre. I see no need of reduction; there is great competition for water, the rate is a fair seigniorage charge for this valuable Bhowny water, scarce a drop of which is wasted in this district, and every overflow going into the Cauvery for irrigation in the districts below.

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18. I would leave it alone and see whether or not revenue decreased; but, as to Kaniyempolliem anicut, I have shown good reason for anticipated decrease, and further disadvantages if the work be not repaired. An inspection of the returns of the Kaniyempolliem channel, for the past 111, the full annual revenue collected, was Rupees 1350 (last 111), it fell to Rupees 110, while 1100 (111)

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12th May 1875*

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G O, dated 15th March 1875,
No. 509.

2 The Board strongly support the Collector's recommendation that the experiment of a change of management be tried, and the repair of the work made over to the Revenue Department, before it is decided to abandon the Kanjempolhem anicut and channel. Immediate orders should be passed, else the working season will be lost.

3 The works at Dhallipolliem may be treated as, proposed

(A true Copy and Extract)

(Signed) H E STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No 100

ORDER THEREON, 12th May 1875, No 721

Irrigation, No 3

APPROVED and sanctioned

(True Extract)

Officiating Chief Secretary

To the Board of Revenue
To the Public Works Department.

Ed J. C. Shunkler

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

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M. WORKS FORM No 7

Current No 1559

From

The Revenue Dept

No 285

Dated 28 Feb

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Subject - Conservancy Channel
Conservancy Dept - Referring for
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questions whether it is expedient
for an establishment for the
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(H.E. No 933 d/s 4 April 1906)

To The Deputy Commissioner
- Chief Magistrate for Migration
- Revenue Dept.
- *Comptroller of the Accounts*
- Collector of Coimbatore

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S.H.B.
No 933 of 8th April 1876

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