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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

P. W. DEPARTMENT

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Dated	9.12.1879	~~197~~

for.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

9th December 1879.

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Read the following paper:—

No. 28. Endorsement of the Superintendent, Coimbatore, 2nd Decr 1879, No. 745. Engineer, Fourth Circle, dated 1879, No. 745. Calicut Division, to the Superintendent, Coimbatore, 25th Nov 1879.

With reference to your No. 498 of the 19th instant, I have the honor to state that shortly after receipt of sanction from the Government, I had the honor to

Karungudi, Coimbatore, office I was at Nilambur, and told the Deputy Conservator that timber was not to be sold under instructions from the Forest Department.

which had been sanctioned.

2. Later on the Deputy Conservator of the Coimbatore District, I then addressed these I addressed the Deputy Conservator under instructions from the Forest Department.

the receipts for the value of the timber, your orders, on receipt of which, I am, informing you that I would not be able to

3. From the Deputy Conservator.

he would seem not to be aware that this timber was not to be sold under instructions from the Forest Department.

Price of timber in 1876, the last year for which I have any record, was Rs. 2-4-0 per cubic foot.

4-0, the former being the price on the same timber in 1877.

4. No doubt, if they will sell it, that Rs. 2-4-0 a cubic foot was not a fair rate.

ment should not be dealt with on this, and has been all the time for this timber.

5. That the Deputy Conservator of the Coimbatore District, I will more to the point if it was at the same time was not so well as it was at the time it was perfectly well he would be.

we have had an offer for it; but it is a very low price, the price of the timber is

6. I say that the Deputy Conservator of the Coimbatore District.

as much an artificial one as that put on by the Government.

At the same time I think that this department should be informed by the Government timber officers that the market value of the timber is not so high as the price at which the timber officers have really no information to go

except what they can gather from the market.

public report. So late as 1874 or 1875, teak timber was supplied by the Forest Department at Calicut for the Kodacudavoo bridge at Rs. 1-8-0 per cubic foot, and I hardly think that there was a rise of 50 per cent. in price in the meantime, in addition to the costs of bringing the timber from the forest to Calicut; the timber for the Karumpoya bridge being kept in the Forest Department.

Copy forwarded to the Chief Engineer, with reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 2,885 W., of 14th November 1879.

(Signed) A. S. RUSSELL,
for Suptg. Engineer, Fourth Circle.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, 9th December 1879, No. 3,135 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Conservator of Forests, through the Revenue Department, with reference to G.O., No. 2,070, dated 21st October 1879, Revenue Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Revenue Department.
" Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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GENERAL
ACCOUNT.

Gobt. of (1879) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated December 9th.

Issued

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Encl.

G. O., 9th December 1879, No. 3,135 W.

DECEMBER.

Nos. 28-29.

Karumpoya Bridge.—Explanation of the circumstances relative to the timber reserved by the Forest Department for the —, communicated to the Conservator of Forests, through the Revenue Department.



N^o. 379.

From,

Executive Engineer's Office
Calicut 25th Nov^r. 1879

21/12/79

The Executive Engineer
Calicut Division

The Supy. Engineer
4th Circle
Coimbatore.

Sir,

Karumpoya
Bridge.

With reference to your N^o. 498 of the 19th Instant, I have the honor to state that shortly after receipt of sanction to the Karumpoya Bridge repairs from your Notice given Office, I was at Mellambur and that timber was not required from Forest Department. The Dy. Conservator personally told me that the teak timber which had been selected would not be required and gave the matter no further consideration. 2. Later on the Dy. Conservator sent the receipts for the value of the timber for signature &c. I then referred the matter for your order & on receipt of these I

I addressed the Dy. Conservator of Forests officially informing him that under instructions from you I gave him notice that the Teak would not be required.

3. From the Conservator of Forests' letter he would seem not to be aware that after this piece of timber was selected the price ^{timber raised} was raised by his Department ^{after timber was selected} from Rs 2-0-0 to Rs 2-4-0 the former being the price for which I gave receipts in 1876 the latter that put in the same timber in 1877.

4. No doubt it is a pity that the Forest Department should not be dealt with ~~with~~ if they will sell timber at a fair rate, but my contention is, and has been all through, that Rs 2-4-0 a cubic foot was not a fair rate in the Forest for this timber.

5. That the Dy. Conservator of Forests may have received

an offer of Rs 2-2-0 per ^{per} cubic foot for this Teak I will not dispute, but it would be a little more to the point if it was at the same time said that the person offering the price was not perfectly well aware that the timber had been selected for Government purposes and that it made not ^{an} a ^{of} difference what he offered as he knew perfectly well he would not have to take it.

6. I say that the price offered was quite ^{as} ~~much~~ much an artificial one as that put on by the Dy. Conservator.

7. At the same time I think it would be well if Government were to order that this Department should be informed by the Forest Department at what rate Government timber is sold at the yearly sales; we could then tell what was the real market value; at present there is so little

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little Teak sold in this market
that the Executive Officers
have really no information
to go upon except what ~~the~~ ^{they}
can gather from Public re-
port. So late as 1874 or 1875
Teak timber was supplied
by the Forest Department
at Calicut for the Koda-
cadaroo Bridge, at Rs 8-
per cubic foot, and I hardly
think that there was a rise
of 50 per cent in price in
the meantime, in addition
to the costs of bringing the
timber from the Forest to
Calicut, the Timber for the
Kurnampaya Bridge being
kept in the Forest Depart-
ment.

I have &c

(Sd) N. Bailey Esq.
Executive Engineer

N^o 745

Copy forwarded to the
Chief Engineer, with reference
to para 2 of G. O N^o 2885 W
of 10th November 1877.

A. Mestell

Calicut
2^d Dec^r 1877

for Supy. Engineer to
4th Circle

Mis. No. 2884 H-11-11-79

P.W.D.

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From

The Supg. Engineer,
Fourth Circle

G.O. No. 3135 to 2/9-12-79

Dated 2nd

Recd.

} Decr. 1/79

No. 745.

Karumpoya Bridge.

Forwarding copy
of letter No. 349 of 25th
November 79 from Engr.
Capt. Dn on the
subject of disputes on
the rates of the —.

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No 3135W

P. W. Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 9th Decr 1879

Read the following

From the Supg. Engr
4th Circle (H E No 745 of 2nd Decr 79)

Communicated
to the Conservator of
Forests, through the Revenue
Dept., with reference to
G.O. No. 2070, dated 21st Oct.
1879, Rev. Dept.

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[Signature]

4/12/79

Rev Dept ✓

S.E. 4th Circle ✓

Dated 13-12-79

[Signature]

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Gobt. of (1879) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

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G. O., 9 Decr 1879, No. 3135W

Nos. 28-29

Karampaya bridge

Explanation of the circumstances relative to the timber resumed by the Forest Dept for the Comm to the Conservator of Forests through the Rev Dept

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