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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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READ—the following papers :—

From F. N. THOROWGOOD, Esq., M. INST. C.E., Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 19th September 1883, No. 22 W.

I have the honor to submit the following for the approval of Government.

2. The task of taking up and looking after the land, trees, houses and huts which are from time to time being handed over to this department by the Deputy Collector under Government Orders noted in the margin is at present so extremely troublesome, that I venture very respectfully to ask for sanction to some special arrangements which appear to me necessary for the next six months, or, say, till 1st April 1884, by which time I hope all the necessary land will be acquired and the work will have got into a regular groove.

No. 601 W., dated 8th March 1882.
„ 2101 W., „ 16th August „

3. I will, as briefly as I can, explain that the Deputy Collector sends daily (and sometimes more frequently) lists of properties to be handed over, and these have to be inspected personally by some competent person at the time of receiving. A surveyor has to note the land, building or tree on a plan, and a competent clerk and conicopillay have to record the property in a suitable list for the purpose of collecting rent. The whole is under the supervision of Mr. Beardmore.

4. The number of these items of property is now mounting up to near 1,300, and most of them are 2 miles from this office, some of them nearly 3 miles. There is no proper road to these places, but a heavy track along the sand.

5. The collecting of rent is most difficult, as most of the occupants of huts refuse to pay anything, notwithstanding that my orders are to pull down the huts of those who continue to refuse payment. Legal process has been tried on the better class of non-paying tenants, but without much satisfaction. Robberies of property and cutting down of trees and fences is of common occurrence, involving an ever-varying but never-ending staff of watchmen.

6. The actual travelling backwards and forwards from this office two or three times a day is really very hard work for anybody, and I cannot expect that the very competent clerk who has charge of the list of properties can be expected to do this in addition to his office work without extra pay.

7. I may mention that I have this morning received a letter from the Deputy Collector asking me to value a plot of land, nearly 3 miles away, on which are over 3,000 casuarina trees, and requiring also my notion of the value of each tree.

8. I do not wish to ask for an increase of salary to any one on the Harbour Works staff at present, and it is not desirable (even if it were admissible) to ask for any fixed travelling allowance for such work as I have described.

9. The work is very arduous and troublesome, and I am quite unable to ask for any fixed staff for it as yet, for I sometimes want a large number of extra hands as watchmen and survey lascars. The work, moreover, will only be of temporary duration, as I hope that by 1st April 1884 all will be smooth going.

10. What I therefore ask for is that, as a temporary measure, I may be given full power over the staff required for this purpose of taking up land and receiving rent, and may treat those that are engaged on the work as if they were on the muster roll of executive work, in which case they would get extra pay for extra work, according to the time occupied. It shall, of course, be my duty to be satisfied that the time is fairly employed.

11. This object will be easily attained if for the next six months I may be allowed to remove the pay of one clerk (Mr. E. A. D'Vaz) and one surveyor (Moonoosawmy Rao) from the regular establishment of this office (their *names* being still retained however), and may place them on this special duty for a time, their pay being chargeable to that head of the estimate which at present carries all the charges involved in this intricate business of taking up the coast land.

12. If I may be favored with an early reply I shall be very glad.

Office note from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, dated 27th September 1883, No. 663.

There appears no objection to the proposal advanced by the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, in paragraph 11 of his letter, being sanctioned by Government. The clerk and the surveyor named by the Superintendent are at present on the regular establishment of the Harbour Works division, and their services are non-pensionable.

From the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, dated 3rd October 1883, No. $\frac{1}{22\ W.}$

ORDER—dated 9th October 1883, No. 2837 W., Public Works.

The arrangements proposed by the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, in paragraphs 10 and 11 of his letter above recorded, are approved.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1883} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 9th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 9th Oct. 1883, No. 2837 W.

OCTOBER.

Acquisition of Land for the Madras Harbour Works

Sanctioning the transfer of a clerk and a surveyor from the regular establishment of the office of the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, to the special work of —.

No. 221 V.

From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS,

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Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

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I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
D. Horsburgh. Lt Genl &c.
Superintendent
N. Harbour Works

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To W.

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The Superintendent
M. Harbour Works

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No. 22 W.

From

The Superintendent,
Madras Harbour Works,

To The Under Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George,

Madras, 3 October 1883.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to expedite the reply to my letter to Government No 22 W of 19th September 1883. —

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedt servant
F. Hurrowgate M Inst CE.
Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works

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From the Supdt - M.H.W. No E No. 22 W. d/ 19th Sept/83

Office Note from Exer P.W. Accts — No E No. 663 d/ 27th — 83

From Superintendent. " " 1/22W d 3 Oct 83

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To The Supdt M.H.W
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Sanctioning the Surveyor
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