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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following letter from J. W. RUNDALL, Esq., Superintending Engineer, II Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Bezvada, 19th June 1885, No. 665 K.S. :—

I have the honor, in acknowledging the receipt of G.O., No. 860 W., of the 9th April 1885, to request more specific instructions regarding paragraph 3. Executive Engineers are authorised to obtain from the Forest Department timber of suitable kinds to meet their probable requirements for five years.

2. In the case of the Kistna Eastern division, the average consumption of wood during the past five years has been 1,300 cubic feet of Pegu, and 16,000 cubic feet of country teak. It will probably be not less than the above in the next five years, and will, therefore, amount to not less than 90,000 cubic feet. It is clear from the Conservator's letter to the Board of Revenue, No. 1370, of the 3rd November 1884, that he cannot undertake to supply us with teak, which is required for the bulk of our work.

3. It seems to me therefore impossible that we should carry out the orders of Government and obtain five years' stock from the Forest Department.

4. There are other difficulties, viz., that we have not space at the Bezvada shops to stack more than the annual supplies which we purchase locally.

5. What we do want is to get regular supplies of teak in good logs, which will not cut to waste, from the Godavari forests. If the Forest Department could arrange for this, they would be doing us an immense service.

6. There is also one other point to which I beg to invite attention, viz., that in any transactions between the Public Works and Forest departments, it would be necessary that we should know beforehand the price which would be charged by the Forest Department for all wood delivered. Estimates are based on known local rates, and there is hardly likely to be mutual agreement unless the price was settled beforehand.

7. As regards sal-wood, the Conservator, writing under date the 26th May to the Executive Engineer, Kistna Eastern division, informs him that it is impossible to guarantee the regular delivery of this wood from Ganjam in consequence of the irregular way in which the British India Steam Navigation Company's vessels accept freight. He states, moreover, that the cost at Cocanada will be Rs. 1-8-0 per cubic foot. This would be equivalent to Rs. 1-10-0 at Bezvada. This year we have purchased Godavari teak at Rs. 1-2-0 per cubic foot at Bezvada. It would not, therefore, pay us to purchase sal at the price named, unless squared logs were supplied, on which the wastage would be small.

ORDER—dated 8th July 1885, No. 1585 W., Public Works.

The Superintending Engineer will be informed that it was not the intention of Government that the whole of the five years' supply of timber should be stored at one central depôt in the circle. In G.O., No. 860 W., dated 9th April 1885, *divisional* officers were authorised to obtain from the Forest Department timber of suitable kinds, sufficient to meet their probable requirements for five years. The Government are of

opinion that it will be more convenient if each divisional officer receive and store the supply for his own division only;—thus relieving the Bezvada workshops of the responsibility of the charge of so large an amount of timber.

2. If the storage space available at Bezvada be insufficient for the timber which must be stored near the Kistna works, early steps should be taken to acquire additional suitable ground. Should this be found impossible, and the full five years' supply cannot conveniently be distributed over the circle, the quantity of indigenous timber to be indented for must be reduced to the average requirements for two or three years only.

3. It is clear, however, that the demand upon the Forest Department must be regulated by the supply available; and divisional officers should therefore place themselves in communication with the Forest officers concerned in view to obtaining the necessary information before preparing their indents.

4. Subsequent indents on the Forest Department should be prepared with reference to the stock remaining on hand, the probable requirements for the year, and the amount of timber available.

5. It is the wish of Government that, so far as may be found practicable, the Forest Department shall be the source of supply to the Public Works Department of all timber of indigenous growth. There can be little doubt that, if the two departments work in harmony, the Forest Department will take steps for increasing its supply, which, in course of time, it is confidently hoped, will be able to meet the demands made on it by the Public Works Department.

6. With regard to the question of the price of the various descriptions of timber, there appears to the Government no difficulty in its being settled by mutual agreement between the officers concerned, after delivery at the divisional stack-yard.

7. These proceedings will be communicated to the Revenue Department with special reference to paragraph 5 of Superintending Engineer's letter above recorded, and to officers of the Public Works Department concerned for information and guidance, in continuation of G.O., No. 860 W., dated 9th April 1885.

(True Extract.)

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

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Revenue Department.

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G.O., 8th July 1885, No. 1585 W.

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Timber

Orders on a reference from Superintending Engineer, II Circle, on the subject of supply of — from State forests to the Public Works Department.

No 665 K

Superintending Engineer's Office,
2nd Circle, Camp Bazar
19th June 1885.

From

The Superintending Engineer,
2nd Circle.

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The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department,
Madras.

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3. It seems to me therefore impossible, that we should carry out the orders of Government and obtain 5 years stock from the Forest Department.

4. There are other difficulties viz., that we have not space at the Bezwada Shops to stack more than the annual supplies which we purchase locally.

5. What we do want is to get regular supplies of teak, in good logs which will not cut to waste from the Godavari Forests. If the Forest Department could arrange for this, they would be doing us an immense service.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most obedt servant.
J. W. Ramsell

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 The Superintending Engineer
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To The Chief Engineer
 P. W. D.
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Dated 19th June 1885

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No. 1585 W. P. M. Department

Under date the 8th July/85

Proceedings of the Madras Government

From the Supt. Engineer II Circle (N.E. No. 665 Kd of 19th June 1885.)
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To

The Suplgy Engineer
 " Comd Architect to Govt
 " Supl M. H. Walker
 " Est. S. W. Accounts
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