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Instances of delay noticed in accounts of Vellore Division from February to August 1892, in payment of Contractors' bills.

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Name of work	Name of Contractor	Central Office Voucher No.	Date of measurement	Date of payment	Delay in payment Months Days
		February 1892			
Special repairs to Pothupudi Channel	N. Bunkatsing and Balajee Ling	84	19-12-91	17-2-92	1. 29
Indupur Tank Minor Channel Fixing Demarkation Stones	Gungi Poligadi and Bhella Indrade	210	16-1-92	29-2-92	1. 13
Indupur Tank Minor Channel Minor Branch Channel On the 1640' R. Bank. Fixing Demarkation Stones	do	211	16-1-92	29-2-92	1. 13
do 1 mile 1120 feet Right Bank do	do	212	16-1-92	29-2-92	1. 13
Repairing Pandipand Tank Supply Channel. Atmakur Tank, Special Repairs	R. Vengadi	243	18-12-91	29-2-92	2. 11
Atmakur Tank Special Repairs	M. Gunavade, Venkatesh, Pitehivade, Yemavade, Potigade and C. Panugade	244	3-1-92	29-2-92	1. 26
Special Repairs to Lingapalem Tank	Bhummur Sambiah	249	1-12-91	17-2-92	2. 16
Bhinnakraka Tank. Special Repairs	Malla Gunavade	250	16-1-92	17-2-92	1. 1
Special Repairs to Pennar Right Embankment from Anient to sea.	V. Narasiah	272	15-12-91	17-2-92	2. 2

Name of work	Name of Contractor	Central Office Voucher No.	Date of measurement	Date of payment	Delay in payment
					Months Days
Special Repairs to Penner Right Embankment from the Nellore Aricut to sea	M. Venkappah Maider	273	15-12-91	17-2-92	2. 2
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Special Repairs to Penner Right Embankment from the Nellore Aricut to sea	P. Rungareddy	274	15-12-91	17-2-92	2. 2
Nellore Tank - Special Repairs	R. Venkatreddy	38	4-5-91	18-3-92	10. 11
Constructing a sluice and syphon culvert at 1/4 mile in Golaga mudu channel	K. Bhinna Subba (bhetty)	42	18-9-91	15-3-92	5. 26
Constructing a sluice to Rapireddi paleru Tank	J. Venkatanaras Reddy	43	7-11-91	1-3-92	3. 25
Constructing surplus weir to Rapireddi Paleru Tank	— 50 —	44	7-11-91	1-3-92	3. 25
Constructing an Iron aqueduct at 2 m 1420 ft. Ninnu Channel 11 m 585 ft. L.B. Southern Channel	J. Karmadu	61	14-12-91	1-3-92	2. 13
Constructing an Iron aqueduct at 260 ft Ninnu Branch Channel L.B. Ninnu Channel 11 m 585 ft. L.B. Southern Channel	— 50 —	63	20-1-92	28-3-92	2. 8
Nellore Tank Supply Channel, Special Repairs	Indur Subbaram Reddy	72	12-12-91	30-3-92	3. 18

Name of work	Name of Contractor	Central Office Voucher No	Date of measurement	Date of payment	Delay in payment
		March 1892 (contd)			Months Pay
Special Repairs to Ramudoo Branch Channel	S. Ramu Naidu	113	22-5-91	1-5-92	9. 10
Special Repairs to Narukuru Channel	N. Venkiah	114	18-11-91	18-3-92	4. "
Special Repairs to Gudipallipand Channel	J. Subba Reddy	115	18-11-91	30-3-92	4. 10
Special Repairs to Kousurika Tank	B. Ramiah	117	30-1-92	1-3-92	1. 2
Maintenance and Repairs to Kanigiri Main Canal Head Sluice	Abhury Beshor	135	6-7-91	31-3-92	8. 25
Power Tank Maintenance	do	150	9-11-91	18-3-92	4. 9
Constructing an iron aqueduct at 66 ft Minor Branch Channel 0 mile - 4290 ft L.B. Eastern Channel Minor Channel 6 m - 410 ft Left Bank	Soda Perumalla	210	27-11-91	1-3-92	3. 3
Constructing an Inlet at 12 miles 1320 ft L.B. Southern Channel and Syphon across Minor Channel 11 miles 885 feet opposite to the inlet	Morla Rangiah	244	19-1-92	11-3-92	1. 21
Vadavaler Large Tank Improvement	V. Lashadri Reddy	289	15-12-91	15-3-92	3. "
Muthialpand Tank Special Repairs	Mahomed Yassin Sanil	309	15-12-91	31-3-92	3. 16

Name of work	Name of Contractor	Central Office Voucher No.	Date of measurement	Date of payment	Delay in payment
					Month Days
		April 1892			
Manubolupand Tank Improvements	B. Narasimulu	120	20-2-92	29-4-92	2. 9.
Maripally Madugu Tank Special Repairs	T. Varada Reddy + K. Subba Reddy	137	31-1-92	25-4-92	2. 25.
			27/3/92	4	
Kannumalla Tank Special Repairs	M. Veshayya	140	23-11-91	25-4-92	5. 2.
		June 1892			
Pantapolem Channel, Special Repairs	B. Veeriah holding power of attorney for P. Ranga Naikaboo Naidu	89	22-6 and 23-7-91	30-6-92	11. 9.
Breaching Paton Tank bund	Kalastu Narasiah	139	4-2-91	30-6-92	16. 25.
		July 1892			
Kanigiri Main Canal Head Since Maintenance and Repairs	P. Kristnaswamy Naidu	120	4-7-91	27-7-92	12. 28.
Eastern Channel III rd Section 20 Ranges	Soolramania Reddy and Sossim baka	177	17-3-91	16-7-92	16.
Special Repairs to Gournam Tank	M. Kotadu	239	13-10-91	4-7-92	8. 22.
		August 1892			
Iron aqueduct across Ganga-veram Minor Channel Southern Channel	M. Venkappa Naidu		26-4-91	11-8-92	15. 17.
Excavating Branch Minor Channel. Eastern Channel L.B. 1 mile 2640 ft from Main Channel	Panchalapalle Sudi Narayana Reddy		16-3-91	11-8-92	16. 27.

Name of work	Name of Contractor	Central Office Voucher No.	Date of measurement	Date of payment	Debit in payment
		August 1892 (Contd)			Month Days
Investigating the drainage channel and its affluents below Allor and Allor Ramanma Tanks	Boovoor Adin	"	6-11-91	11-8-92	9. 6.
Kanigiri Canal Maintenance and Repairs	b. Ankadu and W. Gummada	"	8-2-92	11-8-92	6. 4.
Largam Aricut Maintenance and Repairs	Joosla Narappa Reddy	"	11-6-90	11-8-92	25. 29.
Repairing Padipand Tank Supply Channel	K. Vengadu	"	18-12-91	11-8-92	7. 25
Special Repairs to Padipand Tank dam across Peraparu	K. Vengadu	"	21-3-92	8-8-92	4. 19.
Temporary Buildings Largam Repairs	G. Narappa Reddy & b. Tirumala Reddy	"	10-9-91	11-8-92	11. 2
Syphon Culvert Dorurumitta Channel	b. Vencata Subbiah	"	21-11-90	11-8-92	20. 22
Kanigiri Canal Maintenance and Repairs	b. Halla Linga Reddy	"	17-11-91	11-8-92	8. 26
Dam Branch Channel Special Repairs	V. Rungiah Maide B. Mallabhy and b. Tirumala Reddy	"	2-12-91	11-8-92	8. 10
Indupur Tank Main Channel	G. Poligadu and b. Ankadu	"	16-1-92	8-8-92	6. 24
Minor Branch Channel 1640 feet Right Bank. Fixing Demarkation Stones.					

Name of work	Name of Contractor	Control Office Voucher No.	Date of measurement	Date of payment	Delay in payment
Indupur Tank Minor Channel Fixing Demarkation Stones	G. Poluzadu and C. Ankadu	August 1892 (Contd)	16-1-92	8-8-92	6. 24
Indupur Tank Minor Channel Minor Branch Channel 1 mile 1120 ft A.B. fixing Demarkation Stones	50	"	50	50	6. 24
Indupur Tank Minor Channel Vent 1 mile 1120 ft Right Bank	50	2203 6	12-5-91	50	14. 28
50 50 0 mile 1170 ft	50		50	50	14. 28
50 50 Vent 0 mile 1640 ft Right Bank	50		50	50	14. 28
50 50 0 mile 1126 ft	50		4-6-91	50	14. 8

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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

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Madras, 15 September 1892.

OFFICE NOTE No. 189 A.

To

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In para 35 of my report dated 13th September 1892 on the accounts of the Nellore Division I stated that delays in payment of contractors and piece-workers accounts had been so numerous that a separate report will be submitted on the subject.

2. I now enclose a statement containing 54 instances of such delays ranging from 1 month to 25 months, which may be classified as follows:-

				No. of bills
Delays of over	25	months		1
"	20	"		1
"	between 15 & 20	"		4
"	10 & 15	"		8
"	5 & 10	"		13
"	over	4	"	4
"	"	3	"	8
"	"	2	"	9
"	"	1	"	8
"	"		"	54

For all these delays the late accounts

A. Ranga Row, who is now in the Kistina Eastern Division, is apparently responsible.

3. It appears incredible that contractors and others would have submitted to be kept so long out of their dues, and that such a state of things could exist in any Divisional office, but the evidence is overwhelming, and there is nothing on record to account for, or in any way explain, the delays in payment.

4. A. Ranga Row has over 25 years service; his salary is Rs. 138; and he has always had the reputation of being an experienced divisional accountant. It is probably on the strength of this that he was implicitly trusted by the Executive Engineer, who does not appear as far as the records of the office show - to have been aware that payments for work done were not made with the promptitude and punctuality required by the rules.

5. I do not at present ask for orders in regard to the Accountant's conduct, as I await any explanation he may have to offer on this, and other irregularities; but it appears to me imperative that measures should be taken to provide each Executive Engineer with ready means of ensuring prompt payment of all bills. And to this end I submit for

the approval of Government, a form of register that was introduced, with very salutary results, in the Central Provinces.

6. On receipt in an Executive Engineer's office of every bill it should be legibly stamped with the date of receipt, by the head-clerk or some one working under his orders, and not by any of the accounts staff. This date should be entered in column 5 of the register. The difference between column 3, date of measurement, and column 4, date of bill (i.e. the date on which it is submitted by the sub-divisional officer) will at once fix responsibility for delay at this stage on the sub-divisional office, while a comparison of form 5, date of receipt, and column 6, date of payment, will bring the delay home to the divisional accountant.

7. Without a systematic record, such as this, it is impossible for an Executive Engineer to exercise an efficient control over his accountant in the matter under notice. The form proposed is so simple that it will take very little time to post; but when written up, it will fail of its purpose unless it is frequently inspected by the Executive Engineer. It will not take five minutes a day to inspect it, and initial it in token of such scrutiny, - a scrutiny which I am confident will be a strong deterrent against any undue delay in the

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the payment of bills. I therefore earnestly recommend the use of this form, as described above, throughout the Presidency.

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Office Note from the Examiner P. W.
Accounts No 1894 of September 15. 1892

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Note by Chief
Engineer P. W. G. —

The facts reported by the Examiner are most discreditable, and it appears to me impossible to confine the responsibility for ^{them} these to the accountants.

2. Omitting the ^{two} few instances of over twenty months delay as possibly due to accident or some exceptional case, there remain no less than fifty two cases of delay

in payment varying from one month to twenty, and it is inconceivable that such delays should take place if the Executive Engineer did his duty.

3. The Nellore Division is a difficult one to manage owing to its great size and defective means of communication, but this does not account for irregularities in what is entirely office work.

4. Mr O'Connell was in charge of the Nellore Division

when the measurements were taken for all the bills referred to in the Examiner's list, and there is not one of them which should not have been paid before he handed over charge to Mr Hughes; the entire responsibility for the delay ^{therefore} rests with him, and he should be called on for explanation on his return from privilege leave.

5. The register proposed in paras 5 to 7 of the Examiner's note would in doubt be useful in preventing such

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delays as those
which have occurred
in the Nellme Division,
but the introduction
of new forms &
needs under the
clearest

proof of their
necessity is in my
opinion undeniable,
it would therefore
be well, before
sanctioning the
Examiner's proposals,
to ascertain from
him, whether similar
delays are known to
have occurred in
other divisions. If not
it is not advisable
to increase the
work of the whole
Dept on account
of the ^{similarity} of
a single ^{Examiner's} Division. *S*

Read the following:—

Office Note from the Ex. P.W.A. No 189 A
d/15.11.92
Note by the Chief Eng. P.W.A. d/19.11.92

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I agree with the note and approve
the suggestions made.

Contractors profits must be very great
to enable them to stand delays of
the kind which therefore imply
loss to Govt.

Yes
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to be ordered
to the Registrar

N^o. 2703 Wd/29 September 1892 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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C. Note from the Examiner } (Hb. no. 189 A of 15. 11. 92)
P. W. Accounts }
Note by the Chief Engineer } (" " dated 19. 11. 92)
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Communicated to
the Superintending Engi-
-neer II circle who will
call on M^r O'Connell,
on his return from leave,
for such explanation
as he may have to
offer in regard to the
delays brought to notice.

Enclosure will report
on the question raised
in para 5 therein -

2. The remarks of the
Chief Engineer in para
5 of his note are concurred
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