

No. 1308 W. of 26 April 1896. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Memorial from Col. Henry M. Vibart R.E. of 4<sup>th</sup> March 1896.

Ordered to be forwarded  
to the Government of India  
for disposal.

Col. H. M. Vibart, R.E.  
(Retired List).

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H.E. No 1309 W. of 26 April 1896

To  
The Secretary to the  
Government of India,  
Military Department

Sir,

I am directed to forward  
for disposal, a memorial from  
Colonel H. M. Vibart, R.E. (Retired)  
late Suptg. Engineer, Madras P.W.  
Department, submitting claims to  
the rewards offered for the  
best

best scheme for the supply of pure drinking water to the troops at Bangalore.

2. In its Proceedings No. 2810 W. dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 1887, this Government offered a prize of Rs 1,000 for the best essay which should bring forward a workable and economical scheme for the supply of pure drinking water for the troops at Bangalore, and a further prize of Rs 1,000 was promised if such essay were adopted as the foundation of any scheme which the Government might resolve to carry out. It was at the same time declared that the decision of the Chief Engineer, P. W. Department would be final as to whether any essay fulfilled the required conditions.

3. A number of essays, including one by Col. Vibart, having been received, they were referred to the Chief Engineer, who adjudged the first reward of Rs 1,000 to Mr Standish Lee, of Bangalore, to whom the amount was paid. The question

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.x. Pro: No. 2147 W. d/ 16 July 1888.

as to this preliminary prize was thus absolutely closed. Subsequently the second reward of Rs 1,000 was paid to the same gentleman in circumstances which were fully explained to the Government of India in this office letter No. 997 W. d/ 29<sup>th</sup> April 1895.

4. This Government is not now aware whether it has been decided to frame the estimates for the water supply to the troops at Bangalore on the basis of the scheme suggested by Col. Vibart, but whether this may be so or not, it appears to His Excellency the Governor in Council that Col. Vibart has no claim to either the first or second prizes, the award in the first case having been finally settled by the decision of the Chief Engineer, and the second reward having been promised only in the event of the prize essay being adopted as the foundation of any scheme which the Government might resolve to carry out.

5. As the water supply project for Bangalore is now under the control

Control of the Government of  
India, Col. Vibart's memorial is  
transferred for the orders of that  
Government.

I have recd.

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Col. Vibart's claim to sewers  
in connection with the  
Munglone Water supply scheme

Nos. 1308-96. of 24 April '96.

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