

Public Works (1898) Department.

✓ G.O., No. 496

DATED 28 June 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Inspection boat of the Vidaramanam Canal.

Improving the scale of rents
fixed by the Sub. Dy. Supt. for the use
of the _____

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Approving the scale of rents fixed by the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, for the use of the —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Irrigation.

READ—the following papers:—

From Colonel A. W. SMART, R.E., Officiating Superintending Engineer, V Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Chépák, 6th June 1898, No. 216 E.I.

The construction of the inspection boat for service on the Védáranniyam canal, Negapatam division, sanctioned in G.O., No. 282 I., dated 24th March 1896, having been completed, I have the honour to request that sanction may be accorded to the following scale of rents being charged for use of the boat by officers of this and other departments of Government:—

For Officers of the Public Works Department.

	For periods of over 15 days in a month.	For periods of less than 15 days in a month.
	RS.	RS. A. P.
Executive Engineers	24	1 8 0
Assistant Engineers	16	1 0 0
Upper subordinates	12	0 12 0
For officers of other departments	45	1 8 0

2. The rates proposed are similar to those sanctioned for boats in the Kurnool Canal division.

No. 181 I.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

In G.O., No. 282 I., dated 24th March 1896, an estimate, amounting to Rs. 1,030, for constructing an inspection boat for the Védáranniyam canal, was sanctioned. This boat having been completed, the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, proposes a scale of rents to be charged for its use by officers of this and other departments, which may be approved.

18th June 1898.

(Signed) W. HUGHES,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

ORDER—No. 496 I., dated 28th June 1898.

The scale of rents fixed by the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, for the use of the inspection boat of the Védáranniyam canal is approved.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government,
Irrigation Branch.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Scale of rents for the use of inspection boat of the Védáranniyam Canal in Kurnool Division.
No. 181 I. 18-6-98
UNDER date the
READ the following

From Supp Eng. V Circle, No. 216 E.I., 4/6 June 98
Note by the Chief Eng
for Irrigation.

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Order Kurnool No. 496 I.
28-6-98

The scale of
rents fixed by
the Supp Eng. V Circle,

Order

CURRENT No. 73 J. J.

From The Suptg Engineer
to the

No. 21687

Dated 6th June 1898.

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Enclosures

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Vedaravani Canal in-
spection boats - submit
for sanction ~~of~~ scale of
rates to be charged for use
of the - by officers of the
and other departments

For Officers of the P.W.D.

For periods of
over 15 days in
a month.

For periods of less
than 15 days in
a month.

Executive Engineers . . . Rs 24 per mensem. Rs 1-8-0 per diem

Assistant Engineers . . . Rs 16 — do — Rs 1 — — do —

Upper Subordinates . . . Rs 12 — do — Rs 0-12-0 — do —

For Officers of Other Departments at

Rs 45 per mensem or Rs 1-8-0 per diem.

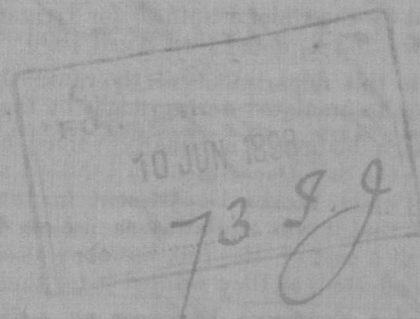
I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedt. Servant

An Amud Colonel R.E.

Offs. Suply. Engrs. V. Circle.



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No. 282 I., 24TH MARCH 1896.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Irrigation.
Account.

READ—the following paper:—

From Lieutenant-Colonel C. C. RAWSON, R.E., Superintending Engineer,
V Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated 7th February 1896,
No. 35 E.I.

With reference to paragraph 7 of my letter No. 392 E.I., dated 15th December
1895, I have the honour to submit, for sanction, the enclosed plan and estimate of
Rs. 1,030 for building an inspection boat for service on the Vedaraniam canal.

ENCLOSURE.

REPORT to accompany the estimate for building an Inspection Boat for service on the Vedaraniam
canal.

Amount of estimate, Rs. 1,030.

2. The canal was excavated about 30 years ago. It runs over a length of 32 miles and
from Negapatam to Vedaraniam salt-pans. It comprises 3 miles of the Kaduvaiyar forming
the estuary of the Negapatam harbour, 6 miles of cutting through the swamps and ridge lying
between the estuaries of the Kaduvaiyar and Velliar, 5 miles of cutting in the ridge lying between
the Velliar and Adappar estuaries, 6 miles of cutting through the swamps, 9 miles of the estuary
of the Adappar, and 3 miles of cutting from above the mouth of the Adappar to salt-pans.

3. Traffic on the canal and its charge.—Since the opening of the South Indian Railway and
the growing development of the Negapatam harbour, the canal traffic on merchandise other than
salt gradually declined, and the work was considered then a purely Salt department one.

Transfer to the Salt Department.—The canal was therefore handed over to the Salt Depart-
ment in 1880-81 and was retransferred to the charge of the Public Works Department on the
13th October 1885, as per G.O. No. 389 I., dated 22nd April 1885. A temporary establishment
for the upkeep, consisting of an overseer, one clerk and a lascar, was sanctioned in G.O. No. 1327
W., dated 8th June 1885.

Retransfer to the Public Works Department.—Subsequently the retransfer of the canal to the
Salt Department was recommended by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation. This was not acceded
to by Government in their order No. 233 I., dated 16th April 1890.

4. Ever since the retransfer to this department of the canal, the maintenance consisted of
clearances of silt annually becoming accumulated during floods by the large rivers.

5. Old Budgetary.—There was a budgetary nominally valued at Rs. 250 for purposes of
inspection, and it was given over to the Salt Department in 1880-81 along with the canal charge.
It was not handed back to the Public Works Department in 1885. On enquiries, the Salt
Assistant Commissioner intimated that it was sold away as useless in 1882. The Salt Depart-
ment had, however, built a boat at a cost of Rs. 750, but they declined to give over the boat
when the transfer of the canal was effected, as they wanted it for their own purposes.

6. On the motion of Mr. Norfor, Executive Engineer, an estimate for an inspection boat
was called for, and one was submitted with No. 1177, dated 28th April 1891, for Rs. 1,120. In
the meantime Mr. Watson, the purchaser of the old boat disposed of by the Salt Department,
offered for sale the old boat renewed to a certain extent. The matter was then referred to Major
Henderson, Executive Engineer, Tanjore, who had charge of Negapatam division also. But a
boat exclusively for the Executive Engineer's use was not considered warranted by him, and he
left the matter to lie over to be decided by his successor.

Mr. Lambert, who succeeded Major Henderson in 1892, seems to have also considered a boat unnecessary exclusively for the use of the Executive Engineer, especially as the Salt Department had promised to lend their boat on hire whenever wanted.

7. *Necessity for a departmental boat.*—In practice, it has been found that the salt boat cannot be availed of always, as each time we want the use of the boat, a requisition has to be made and some delay must necessarily occur before the boat is placed at our disposal.

This causes a slackness in supervision, and as a consequence timely repairs and attentions are often impossible and complaints of obstructions are more frequent than would otherwise be the case.

Your No. 335 N.G., dated 15th December 1895, shows clearly how, in spite of my special

* *Vide statement accompanying.*

attention to clearances* in the parts most in need last year, there are still complaints. I

therefore think that, unless a boat is entirely at our disposal, frequent and timely removals of obstructions cannot be satisfactorily insisted on.

8. The estimate for the boat I propose to have, has been reduced by reducing the lengths on the proposals made by Mr. Norfor. The boat cannot be built for a lesser sum.

16th January 1896.

(Signed) N. RATNASABHAPATHI PILLAI,
Executive Engineer.

ORDER—No. 282 I., dated 24th March 1896.

The following estimate is sanctioned :—

Irrigation.
43. Minor Works and Navigation.
Minor Works for which Capital and Revenue Accounts are kept.
Vedaraniyam Canal.
Revenue Account.
5. Tools and plant.
4. Navigation Plant.
Constructing an inspection boat.

Estimate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Rs.
									1,030

2. This sanction is registered as No. 217 I. of 1895-96.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. R. E. DRAKE-BROCKMAN, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.,
Irrigation Branch.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

„ Superintending Engineer, V Circle, with three enclosures.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
„ Revenue Department.

IRRIGATION.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1896} Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated March, 24th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O. No. 282 I., 24th Mar. 1896.

MARCH.

Boat

Estimate of Rs. 1,030 for constructing an inspection — for service on the Vedaraniyam canal, Negapatam division, sanctioned.

note sent to ordy office

For C. No. 4791

MEMORANDUM.

REQUESTED for reference the under-mentioned papers :—

The originals of G.O. No. 496 I. d/28.6.98 and of the orders sanctioning the scale of rents fixed for the use of the boats in the Kurnool Canal Division

GOVERNMENT OFFICE,
Revenue Department,

13.7. 1898

To

The Under Secy. to Govt.

P.W.D. (Irrigation) P.J.C

Reminder.



No. 161.

MEMORANDUM.

No. Memo, dated 13.7.98

Subject.

Requesting to be furnished with the originals of G.O. 496 I d/28.6.98 and of the orders sanctioning the rates for the boats in the Kurnool Canal Division.

The undersigned is directed to invite attention to the ^{memo} communication noted on the margin and to request that an early reply may be submitted. The papers therein asked for may be ^{furnished} sent as soon as possible.

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13/7/98

Ag. Under Secretary.

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Post St. Ghorah,
9.9. 1898.

Ag. J. Secy B. Govt. P.W.D. Irrig. Branch.

Reminders already issued.

To The P.W.D. (Irrigation)

- (1) No. _____, dated _____.
- (2) No. _____, dated _____.
- (3) No. _____, dated _____.

13.7.98

On the 13th July 98. Rev
Deft Under Secy applied
for the original of our
Co. No 496. D. of 28. 6. 98.
which was furnished
to him 12. 8. 98.

2. The Hd Clerk of the
Rev. Dept made the
following reference on
the above Co.

" From the papers put
up it appears that the
Kurusool and the Vidarnium
rates are different.
Kindly ascertain the
cause of the difference.
Probably the rates in
Go. No 253, S. of 4. 4. 87
were subsequently
modified."

Scale of rents. e.g.

Annual canal rates are for -	per annum Rs	The daily rate is copied from the Godavery Scale - please see L.O. No
Ex. Engrs -	24	253. 2. 4. 1. 87. - Flag P.
Asst Engrs -	16	101. 3. 26. 2. 83. - - - Q.
Upper Subordinate -	12	

With regard to the charges to other Dept officers the S. V. has apparently adopted the rates of the Godavery boats but with regard to the question as to why no scale has been laid down for officers other than P.W.D., the S.V. must be asked to answer it

For orders

whether a memo should be sent to S.V. on the subject.

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it is said down by 50 a month or 1/2 per day

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By J. S. S. S. S. S.
P.W.D. S. S. S.
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