Public Works (1899) Department.

G.O., No. 2539 W

DATED 28 September 1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Port of Ponani, West Coast Dt.

Directing that the estimate of Rs 1700 for constructing two jetties for the Fishermen, be returned to the S.E. IV Circle, as it was found desirable that the work should not be undertaken, and calling on the S.E. to submit, in consultation with the Port authorities an estimate for the constr. of a sea wall for the Port

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

READ the following:—

Letter from the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, No: 455/P, d/13 August 1897

Do Do Presidency Port Officer, No: 1674/2160-W, d/3 September 1897

Circulated to

ORDER. No: 2539 W, 28-9-97

In Go. No: 1946 W, d/3rd Sept. 1896, the preparation of Estimates for two Groynes and a Sea Wall to protect the foreshore at the Port of Bonani was ordered. The Superintending Engineer in his letter No: 876 W, d/12 February 1897 reported that the Sea Wall in question was not required at the place originally proposed, owing to the proposal to construct a new Custom House on a different Site. The Presidency Port Officer, however, considered that the Estimates already called for should be submitted and this was ordered (Vide Go. No: 381 W d/27 April 1897)

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[P. W. 42-A. 1,000—2-3-99.]

With his letter No 455 W, d/ 13th August 1899,
the Superintending Engineer Submits an estimate amounting to Rs 1700 for the two Groynes, but States that both Mr Ussher and Mr Wood, the Executive Engineers of the West Coast Division, Consider the two Groynes of doubtful utility and that he agrees with their proposals to build a Sea wall East of the public offices. This was referred to the Presidency Port Officer who States that in view of the above opinion it is not at all desirable that the works should be undertaken. The above Estimate for Rs 1700 will therefore be returned to the Superintending Engineer for record.

3. With regard to the Executive Engineer's proposal to build a Sea Wall East of the public offices, it was stated by the Port Officer that this work would be carried out by the merchants themselves on Act III of 1885 being introduced at the port. The Presidency Port Officer, however, in

in his letter No. 1674/216 W. d/ 5th September 1899 States that the Merchants of Porani are unwilling to Contribute towards Port improvements by paying fees under that Act. The Superintending Engineer will therefore be requested to Submit, in Consultation with the Port Authorities an Estimate for the Sea Wall proposed in Para 5 of his letter No. 455/W, d/ 13th August 1899.

To
The S.E. IV Circle with plans & and Estimates 3
Copy to the C.C.O ✓

Note

It is perhaps unnecessary to circulate this to the

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Memorandum

READ the following :—

Letter from the Supdg. Engineer, IV Circle, No. 453/W dy
13 August 1899
——— Do ——— P. P. C. No. 1674/216 P.W. dy 5—9—99

Circulated to

~~FOR ORDERS~~

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In GO No 1946W d/3-7-96 the preparation of Estimates for two Groynes and a sea wall between & to protect the foreshore at the Port of Pomani was ordered. The Supdg Engineer in his letter No 87W d/12-2-97 reported that the sea wall in question was not required at the place originally proposed, owing to the proposal to construct a new Custom House in a different site. The Presidency Post officer however considered that the Estimates already called for should be submitted and this was ordered (vide GO No 381 Mar. d/27.4.97) (Flag X)
With his No 455 W. d/13.8.99 the Supdg. Engr submits an Estimate amounting to Rs 1700

[P. W. 43. / 1,000—28-2-19.]

for the two Groynes, but states that both Mr Crocker and Mr Wood, the Exec. Engineers of the West Coast Divn, consider the two groynes of doubtful utility and that he agrees with their proposals to build a sea wall East of the public offices. This was referred to the Presidency Port officer who states that in view of the above opinion it is not at all desirable that the work should be undertaken.

The above Estimate for Rs 1700 will many therefore be ~~recorded~~ returned to the Supdg Engineer for record.

2. With regard to the Exec. Engineers proposal to build a sea wall east of the public offices it was stated by the Port officer that this work would be carried out by the merchants themselves, an Act III of 1885 being introduced at the Port. The Presidency Port officer, however, in his letter No 1674/216 PW dt 5-9-99 states that the merchants of Ponani are unwilling to contribute towards Port improvement by paying fees under that Act. ~~It is~~ ~~submitted that~~ the Supg. Engr may ~~therefore be requested~~ asked to submit, in consultation

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15.9.99

* with the Port authorities an ~~estimate~~ Estimate for the sea wall proposed in para 5 of his letter No 455 dt/13/8/99 from Supg Engineer, IV Circle read 1 abstract

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2o Ltr dt S.E. IV circle with plans & estimate Copy Ltr to PW

Public Works (1899) Department.

CURRENT No.

From The Presy. Port Officer

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Order

Communicate to the Supdg. Engineer, VV-Circle with reference to his letter No 455 dated 13th Augt. 1899.

No. 1674/216 PW.

Dated 5-9-99

Received

Registered

Enclosures Plans. / others - } Total

Spare copies.

~~2. Ltr dt 5-9-99 from the Secy to the Boundary and Shipping Dues Collector to the Port of Ponani with the Ltr dt 13-8-99 from the Exec Engr IV Circle~~

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SUBJECT.

Groynes at Ponani

Stating that it is not desirable that the proposed ——— should be undertaken since they are pronounced to be of doubtful utility, and that the merchants of Ponani are unwilling to contribute towards Port Improvement

2o Ltr dt S.E. IV Circle with 3 plans & estimate

~~Ltr dt 5-9-99~~

Read 11-9-99

O/S 497 Rect 12/9/99

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No. 1674 P. W.
216

Presidency Port Office,
Madras, 5th September 1899.

Heading Act III of 1885
Ponani

To

The Chief Engineer to Government
Public Works Department
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Sir,

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In reply to your Memorandum
N: 1048, D, dated 1st September 1899,
(enclosures herewith returned)
I have the honour to state that
as the proposed groynes are of
doubtful utility in the opinion
of professional officers it is not
at all desirable that the work
should be undertaken. The
merchants of Ponani, moreover,
are unwilling to contribute
towards Port Improvements
by paying fees under Madras
Act III of 1885.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obdt. servant,

Commander, R.I.M.
Dirctr. Port Off

From

THE PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICER,

Madras,

To

Dated

Received

No.

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Copy of letter No: 4175 E of 15th July 1899 from C.J. Hesher Esqre, Executive Engineer, West Coast Dn. to the Supdg Engineer N Circle

Enc: 2 Surveys.

With reference to your reminder No: 395 NC, I have the honour to forward herewith the survey of Ponani extended as required in your letter 588/NC of 12.11.97.

I Concur with the views expressed by Mr. Wood in his letter No: 711 d/4.11.97 and Consider that the proposed reclamation east of the public offices would be a very useful work. It is doubtful whether the groynes proposed by the Port authorities at and West of the Sea Customs office would be of much use (vide Survey of Shore). In his letter dated 14.4.97 quoted with Go no: 381 c Marine 27.4.97 the Residency Port officer states that the reclamation work should be done by the merchants themselves, but I venture to doubt whether the reclamation will ever be done if left to the native merchants unaided by Government.

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The delay, so far as I am Concerned in replying to the reference is chiefly due to the fact that I wished to visit Ponani before replying, and this I was only able to do at the end of May.

(True Copy)

Asst Engr
Supty Engr IV Circle

Encl. No 7 to L. No 455/W.

No 7
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No. 405/W.

Office of the Superintending Engineer,
FOURTH CIRCLE,
Camp Hosur ~~Coimbatore~~ 13th August 1899.

From

A.H. Garrett Esquire,
Superintending Engineer,
Fourth Circle, Coimbatore.

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Departt.

Enclosures.
2 Survey plans
1 Estimate
1 Report
1 Data Statemt
1 Tracing.
1 Copy of letter from Exc: Engr: W. Circle No 417 d/15-7-99.
* B. 1322 Wd/19-5-97

Sir,

I have the honour to forward for your information Copy of letter No: 417 SE of 15th July 1899 received from the Executive Engineer, West Coast Division.

2. In G.O. no: *381 Marine dated 27th April 1897, the Superintending Engineer IV Circle was ordered to submit the estimates called for in G.O. no: 1946 W of 3rd July 1896. These estimates were for two groynes and a sea-wall between them.

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3. Estimates for the groynes were submitted by the Executive Engineer W. Carless amounting to Rs 1700 with the intention of submitting an estimate for the sea wall after the effect of the groynes had been

been ascertained.

4. My predecessor did not Consider the groynes suitable and in November 1897 the Exec Engineer reported that he was Convinced the proper way of increasing the accommodation for landing and shipping was to Construct a seawall between the two existing groynes shown on the accompanying Survey. On receipt of the letter the Executive Engineer was asked to extend the survey and this he has now done.

5. You will observe that Mr Ussher agrees with Mr Wood in thinking that the seawall should be built east of the public offices, and they both Consider that the two groynes proposed by the Presidency Port officer would be of doubtful utility. As however an estimate for these groynes has been called for I submit it and should be glad of your instructions with reference to the proposals made by Mr Wood and supported by Mr Ussher and which appear to provide a satisfactory solution of the difficulty.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedt Servt.

A Linnell.

Supty: Engr: W Circle.