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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Pension Department,
9th July 1874.*

Read again Proceedings of Government, Public Works Department, dated 18th June 1874, No. 1641.

Read also the following letter from Major H. R. MEAD, R.E., District Engineer, Tanjore, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 6th June 1874, No. 279 :—

I have the honor to forward an application for an extraordinary gratuity, Rupees 25, for the mother of the cooly who was killed in the excavation for the Vaddavaur Surplus Sluice, as reported in my letter, No. 187, dated 16th May 1874.

Referred to the Pension Department in continuation of the under-mentioned Order :—

G.O., No. 1641, dated 18th June 1874.

OOTACAMUND,
18th June 1874.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

ORDER THEREON, 9th July 1874, No. 401.

Under Sections 112 (b.) and 118 of the Civil Pension Code (2nd Edition), His Excellency the Governor in Council sanctions the payment of a gratuity of six months' wages, or Rupees (25) twenty-five, to Kalyamma, the mother of the deceased cooly Thungamuthu.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.,

To the District Engineer, Tanjore.

- „ Collector of Tanjore.
- „ Accountant-General.
- „ Controller of Public Works Accounts.
- „ Public Works Department.

Ed. A. S. Rodgers.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th June 1874.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 394. From Major H. R. MEAD, R.E., District Engineer, Tanjore, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 11th May 1874, No. 159.

I REGRET to have to report an accident, on the 2nd May, at the new sluice now under construction at the Vuddavaur head, that has occasioned the death of a boy and slight injuries to two bricklayers.

2. The excavation had been completed and the masonry just commenced when there was a slip at one side of it, and the mass of earth falling, killed the boy.

3. As far as I can judge from the report I have only just received, I fear there is but little doubt but that the sides of the excavation were left much steeper than they should have been; they might and probably would have stood had it not been for a storm of rain. I will inspect the place in a day or two and report in full detail.

THE further report promised by the District Engineer and the result of the Inquest will be awaited, and it should be stated also by what member of the department the excavations were laid out and inspected.

(Signed) J. MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

No. 395. From the same Officer, dated Tanjore, 16th May 1874, No. 187.

I HAVE the honour to forward the following additional details as regards the unfortunate accident at the Vuddavaur head on the 2nd May, which I reported in my letter No. 159, dated 11th instant.

2. The work was building a two-vented sluice in front of the existing calingulah at the sand escape of the Vuddavaur channel, the wing-walls of the new work are 12 feet distance from those of the old work, and the depth of foundation to be dug was about 16 feet, the bottom of the new foundation being 2½ feet below that of the old work; the excavation was almost entirely in clay, and a very dry one; there was no bailing required.

3. Sub-Conductor Littlewood, Supervisor, was in charge of the work, but as he has an extensive range to look after, only visited it at intervals; he was there on the 20th April, and gave orders for the excavation; he marked them out himself. On the north side of the excavation the slope allowed was about 2½ feet in the first 6 feet and 2 feet in last 10 feet of depth; the south side was similar.

4. On the 2nd of May the excavation was completed, and more than half the foundations were put down for a depth of about a foot; two bricklayers and a man were at work at the west wing, laying the first layer of bricks there, when a mass of earth from the upper portion of the excavation about two yards long, half a yard thick, and one and a quarter yards deep, fell down, struck the man, and killed him; portions struck the two bricklayers, but did not injure them. I saw them this day; they are both at work.

Sanctioning the payment of a gratuity of Rupees 25 to Kalyamma, the mother of the late Thungamuthu, a cooly on the Vuddavaur Head-Sluice Works, who died in the execution of duty.

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Dated July, 9th.
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G.O., 9th July 1874, No. 401.

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
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5. The sides of the excavation had stood well, and there were no signs of weakness; but there had been a storm of rain the day before, and this I have no doubt was the immediate cause of the accident.

6. The work was in the charge of the Monegar. I would add that both before and after the accident the coolies and bricklayers worked in the excavation willingly, and they all consider the death of the man pure accident.

7. I consider that the slopes were much steeper than they should have been, and that Mr. Littlewood showed an error of judgment in laying them out so steep as he did, but with this exception I cannot but think that the death of the man was an accident, and trust that Government will take the same view.

8. The man killed (by error reported by me as a boy) was named Tungamootoo, a daily cooly, often employed on Government works at $2\frac{1}{2}$ Annas a day; he was about twenty years of age, and is the only surviving son of his mother, by name Kaliammah, who is a widow; she has a daughter married to a Railway porter at Boodalore Station, in the receipt of Rupees 8 a month. I request the sanction of Government for the payment to the man's mother of a sum of Rupees 25, or about the pay for six months of her deceased son, as some compensation for her heavy loss in his death; this is the maximum* amount that the Local Government can sanction.

* See Section 118, Pension Rules.

9. The Statement, Form D., will be forwarded as soon as all the information has been obtained.

No. 396.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

SLOPES of half to one are usually as steep as is safe, especially where the depth of excavation may, as in the case under notice, be considerable, and it is generally advisable to leave half a yard berms at intervals of 5 or 6 feet vertical; none but those on the spot, and who see the excavation in progress, can determine what slopes are needed for safety, but in future it will be well for the member of the permanent executive establishment marking out the work to allow for flatter slopes than were here given, and to reduce them only if on subsequent inspection it should appear proper to do so.

OOTACAMUND,
23rd May 1874.

(Signed) J. MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

No. 397.

ORDER THEREON, 18th June 1874, No. 1,641.

IRRIGATION, No. 31.

THE Government consider that as Mr. Supervisor Littlewood was not able to superintend the excavations for the foundations. The Monegar in immediate charge of the work should have paid more attention to the condition of the earthworks, and have noticed the effects of the rain upon them, if his duties admitted of his being continuously on the work, which point has not been noticed by the District Engineer.

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18th June 1874.*

2. Application for a gratuity should be submitted in the form required by the Code, when it will be referred for consideration in the Pension Department.
3. The result of the Inquest should be reported in due course.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Tanjore.

„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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To

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER, TANJORE,

&c. &c. &c.

Dated June 18th.

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Encl.

G. O., 18th June 1874, No. 1,641.

JUNE

Nos. 394-397

Accident at the Vuddanaur Sluice, Tanjore District.—Passing orders on the subject of a fatal accident to a cooly at the Vuddanaur sluice and the granting of the usual gratuity, and requiring a report of the result of the Inquest.

In order

Jangamattu
a cooly laborer was
killed when at
work on some very
ordinary piece of
excavation & the
Tanjore District
Engineer applies
for a gratuity for
the deceased's
mother.

It cannot be said
that he was performing
a duty attended with
extraordinary bodily
risk or with
any risk at all

* as required by S 113
CP Code.

When proposed
conducted & I do
not think his
mother should
get anything.
Moreover she
was not "dependent"
on him for support
as she is a Miller
of only forty years
of age & herself
works as a cook
while her daughter
is married to
a railway porter.

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For orders
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8114 C.P. Code
says gratuitous and
one granted only in
rare cases.

The code does
not admit of
a gratuity. Still
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give it to be sure.

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mother (and I think
only one + I think
that he can't
have been (P)
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Application for an Extraordinary Gratuity
for the family of Tangamattu, late a Cooly on
the Vadavur Head Sluice Works, killed in the
Execution of duty - Submitted by the District
Engineer of Tanjore.

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|-------------------------|---|--|
| Description of Claimant | 1. Name and residence | Kalyamma of Boodalore |
| | 2. Age | Forty years |
| | 3. Height | Five feet |
| | 4. Religion, Caste, or Tribe | Kalla Caste |
| | 5. Marks for identification | Crooked toe on the right foot and a green mark on the forehead |
| | 6. Present occupation and pecuniary circumstances | Daily Cooly |
| | 7. Degree of relationship to deceased | Mother |
| Description of Deceased | 8. Name | Tangamattu |
| | 9. Occupation of Service | Day labourer on 2½ Annas a day |
| | 10. Length of Service | Employed occasionally for a period of four years |
| | 11. Nature of injury causing death | Killed by a fall of earth from above, while engaged in the excavation of foundations |
| | 12. Amount of gratuity proposed | Rs. Twenty-five, being about |

Pension
for

under secret

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13. Remarks

about six months pay.

He was the only surviving
son of his mother, a widow.

District Eng's Office
Tanjore.

6th June 1874-

W. M. M. Major R.E.
District Engineer

Enclosure in a letter
No 279, dated 6th June 74
from the District Engineer
Tanjore, to the Secretary
to Government P.W.D.

M. 3401/74.

Application for an Extra-
ordinary gratuity of the
family of Tanguanathan
late a cooly on the Vada
man Road since work
killed in the execution
of duty.

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No 279.

District Engineer's Office
Tanjore, 6th June 1874

From
Major H. R. Mead R.E.
District Engineer Tanjore

To
Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward
an Application for an Extraordi-
nary Gratuity, Rs 25, for the
mother of the Cooly who was
killed in the Excavation for
the Vaddavoor Surplus Sluice,
as reported in my letter No 187,
dated 16th May 1874.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient Servant

M Mead Major R.E.
District Engineer

Enclosure - 1.

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No: 3401

The District Engineer
of the Cincinnati &
Piquette Railway

The Secretary
for the Cincinnati &
Piquette Railway

No: 108

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Order of the Cincinnati & Piquette Railway

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To off
The District Engineer
Sangare.

G. O. 9th July, 1874, No. 121

Nos.

Sanctioning the pay-
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of Rupees 25 to Kal-
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of the late Sangare
a cooly on the Madras
Head Service Works
who died in the
Execution of duty.

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