

Public Works (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 954. R

DATED 11th Novr 1897.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Supply of fuel

Endorsement from the Revenue Dept.
forwarding resolution of the Board of Revenue
reporting that the Forest Dept cannot guarantee
the Midras Railway Coy against loss
through failure of _____ Communicated
to the Agent of the Railway Coy.

17/11/97

BACK PAPERS.

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MR Case 112/95							

Madras Railway Company
 Loco: Superintendent's Office
 Perambur Works 5th August 1897.

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The Agent and Manager
 My Dear Sir,

Yours N^o 8615
 7712 of 23rd ultimo.

With reference to the proceedings from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue N^o 717 his. dated 19th July last, I shall be happy to make arrangements to receive from the Forest Office, South Malabar, the 1600 tons of wood a year offered at Olavakote at the rate mentioned viz Rs 3-12-0 per ton. The quantity offered, however, is so very small as compared with the amount of wood required on the district that it seems scarcely worth while accepting it. If, however, it will be a convenience to the Forest Department, I shall, as above stated, be glad to accept it.

2. I understand the Forest Department is not prepared to deliver wood for the next 3 years at Kalayar and this being so, it appears to be premature to discuss the supplies at this station.

3. The rate quoted for Padam is very far in excess of that at which we have hitherto been able to obtain supplies, and I am therefore unable to consider it.

4. With regard to the offer for supplies made by the Conservator, Central Circle, the Major portion of the firewood at present received at Jalapet and Salem is from Government Forests and the rates now quoted are practically in accordance with existing arrangements. With regard to Katpadi the rate offered is only one anna per ton less than that already paid to private Contractors and although I should possibly be willing to take Government wood at this station it will be necessary before doing so, to conclude existing contracts.

5. With regard to Renigunta the quantity offered here is, like that offered at Padanur, only a small portion of the consumption the rate quoted, however, is one anna less than the lowest of the existing contracts, and I might therefore be prepared to receive the 100 tons. I would also be willing to take the wood offered at Kader although the rate asked is identical with those now being paid to private contractors for wood supplied from Government jungles.

6. As regards the general question as to the responsibility of the Forest Department for the due fulfilment of contracts given to them, this does not appear to have been disposed of and the question still remains as to how far the Company would be
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safe in disposing with the services of private contractors and depending only upon the Forest Department. Our position will not I consider be sure unless or until the Forest Department is prepared, as I have already pointed out, to undertake to fulfil at all costs any arrangements made and so eliminate any risk as to short fall of supplies being brought about, as pointed out in my letter N^o. 1065 of 12 October 1896 from a change of policy or other cause.

Yours faithfully

J. E. Phipps

Loco: Superintendent.

/ True Copy /

/ R. Greenall

for Agent and Manager

13-8-97.

Copy of a communication from the

Agent and Manager, Madras Railway,

to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras,

No. 8615
18-777, dated 13th August 1897.

With reference to your endorsement No. 2538 dated 4th August 1897, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of a letter from the Locomotive Superintendent. The question raised in the last para of the enclosed letter does not appear to have been considered. It is essential that in the new arrangement with the Forest Department, as is the case under existing arrangements with private contractors, the Company should be guaranteed against any loss that may accrue through failure to meet the Company's legitimate demands.

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Government of Madras.

G.R. case 112 of 95 on 26-8-97

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

MEMORANDUM.

Dated Madras, 19th August 1897.

Letter from the Agent and Manager, Madras
Railway, No. 8615/
B 777, dated 13th August 1897.

Transferred to the Revenue Department with reference to its Proceedings No. 3863
Mis., dated the 24th July 1897, for favour of
information whether the proposals therein
for the supply of wood to the Madras Railway
Company are made on the assumption that
the Forest Department guarantees the
Company against loss through failure
of supply.

J. D. Howie

Under Secretary.

To

The Revenue Department.

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Public Works
Revenue (1897) Department.

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The Hon. Mr. G. S. S.

From

The Board of Revenue, Land Revenue,
Madras

Forest No. 1005 Misc

Dated 2nd October 1897.

Received ~~7-10-97~~ 26-10-97

Registered ~~8-10-97~~ ---

Enclosures 5

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Government with refer-
ence to its Endt., No. 1004, dated 26-8-97 / 1004
with remarks letter from the Conservator
of Forests C.C. reporting that the Forest
Department cannot guarantee the Madras
Railway Company against loss through fail-
ure of supply of fuel.

To

The Public Works Dept.

Note

A précis of the correspondence
in view with the Board's Res.
and as separate note is there-
for submitted

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Endt. mis No. 5400.
Order

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Transferred to the
Public Works Department
with an expression of con-
currence in the Board's re-
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BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
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FURTHER PAPERS.

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16-8-97.



Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue).

Forest No 1005 Misc, dated 2nd October 1897

Read Endorsement of the Acting Assistant Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 26th August 1897, No 1604/R.

Reference thereon dated 30th August 1897.

Read letter from the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, dated 15th September 1897, No. 542.

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Resolution.

The Conservator's letter read above will be submitted to Government with reference to its Endorsement No. 1604, dated 26th August 1897.

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B SN^o 17

2 With the Endorsement just quoted, Government referred for the remarks of the Board, a memo from the P.W. Department, Railway Branch enquiring whether in the matter of the proposals contained in G.O No. 3863 Mis, dated 24th July 1897 for the supply of fuel to the Madras Railway, the Forest Department could guarantee the company against loss through failure of supply. The Conservator Central Circle reports that the Department cannot do so and the Board fully agrees with him.

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3 In July 1895 the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, complained to the consulting Engineer that the system of supply by the Forest Department in Salem was far from satisfactory and that

the difficulties have been intensified by the exemption of that Department from payment of security deposit, affording thereby no legal means of redress for non-fulfilment of contract. The Consulting Engineer forwarded the Agent's complaint for the remarks of the Board. After enquiry the Board in its Proceedings F.No 1591 Misc, dated 23rd September 1895 held that while the District Forest had done everything in his power to meet all requirements, he should not continue to enter into contracts unless he saw his way to fulfil them punctually, or the Railway Company was prepared to run some risk in view of the more favorable rates secured from the Forest Department than from private contracts. This Proceedings was communicated to the Consulting Engineer and the Railway Company has nevertheless continued to contract with the Dept. In these circumstances the reason of the present reference from the Consulting Engineer is not apparent. Attention is also invited to the fact again brought to notice by the Conservator that for some time there has been no complaint made by the Railway of short delivery while the Forest Department has had to complain of want of promptitude on the part of the Railway in taking delivery of wood collected.

(True Extract)

Recess
Secretary

To the Secretary to Government, R.D with P.W. Dept., memo and enclosures ret'd. in original and with Conservator's letter in original to be ret'd.

To the Conservator of Forests, C.C

(R.) Form No. 3.

No 954. Dated 11/11/97
R.D. DEPARTMENT.
By Branch

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Endorsement from the Revenue Dept. } H.E. No. 5400 of 21st Oct 97

Communicated
to the Agent & Manager
Madras Railway with
reference to his letter No.
8615 of 13th August 1897.
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To
Helpful man in R.D.
- a Revenue Dept. with
Conservator's letter No 5400
of 15 Sept 1897
- a Conservator's letter

Dispatched on 15/11/97

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