Public Works (~~1900~~ 1899) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 298 Ry

DATED 15th March '99

Inclosed letter ~~No~~ No 175 Ry dt 14/2/99.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Sleepers for the Trichinopoly - Pamban Ry

Leasing to the agent, S.I.R., letter from the Govt of India passing orders on the tender of Mr C. Davies for the supply of Australian Jarrah ——— :

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P. W. Ry.
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Letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway, No. 112, dated 7th February 1899.

I have the honour to enclose a copy of letter No. M.P. $32/\frac{530}{428}$ from the Engineer-in-Chief, Madura-Pamban and Tinnevelly-Quilon Railways regarding the purchase of sleepers for the Madura-Pamban Railway. As it is of the utmost importance to the progress of work that the sleepers required should be obtained early and regularly, I think Mr. M. C. Davies' offer should be accepted. I understand that Australian Jarrah should be felled in the early months of the year when the sap is down, and I shall therefore be obliged if you would kindly obtain the very early orders of Govt. as to whether the order may be placed now with Mr. Davies for 2½ lakhs of sleepers.

Enclosure.

Letter from the Engineer-in-Chief, Madura-Pamban and Tinnevelly-Quilon Railways, to the Agent, South Indian Railway, No. $M.P.\frac{32/530}{428}$, dated 6th February 1899.

I have the honour to forward herewith, for favour of your disposal, a tender which I have received this day (the 6th February) from Mr. M. C. Davies of Karridale, Western Australia, for the supply of 2½ lacs of

of Jarrah sleepers cost at Rs. 3-4-0 per sleeper according to the terms of the tender.

The rate tendered is the cheapest yet offered for the supply of sleepers of the size 6'-6" × 9" × 4½", which are required for the Madura-Pamban Railway. The wood is of excellent quality and from the reports received of sleepers actually delivered in this country those supplied have been of sound wood free from sap and have proved to be durable and as the contractor can supply us at a rate to complete our requirements within 5 months from starting supply, I strongly recommend that the tender be accepted at the earliest to enable the contractor to put the contract in hand.

The Contractor forwarded a cheque for Rs. 5 00/- in my name on the Mercantile Bank of India which I hold as a deposit according to para 5 of the general conditions of the Tender.

R. Form No. 12.

For Imperial
see S. 5

No. 175 Ry

Government of Madras,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

SERIAL No. 2

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,

P. W. Department

14th February 1899.

Sir,

File
Permanent way
Pamban Branch

I am directed to forward for orders of the Govt. of India a copy of a letter No. 112 dated the 7th Feb. 99 with its enclosure from the Agent S. I. R. Co. the estimate of the Madura Pamban Ry. has not yet been sanctioned the Govt. of India permission is necessary before the Agent can place the contract for sleepers which is the reason. The Ag. Engr. with the Government agents being unable to advise whether it is advisable or not to obtain a large consignment of Australian Jarrah. The Question of Contractor may, it is thought, have some date as to its delivery under the climatic conditions which it would be subject if used on the M. P. Ry.

I am to add that this Government is entering on a policy of making special efforts, in the Forest Dept. to secure the sleeper requirements of the Railway in the Presidency, but things will not have got into working order in time to supply the M. P. Ry.

I have &

JWS 13/2/99

Despatched on 14/2/99

Telephone

Form No. 7.

TELEGRAM — URGENT / ORDINARY / DEFERRED

FROM E R. TO A

India refuses to sanction parrah sleepers for Paumben.

(Sd) F.J.E.S
14/3/24

Despatched
14-3-24

SERIAL
No. 5

Public Works (1899) Department.

Railway

CURRENT No. 365

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From The Govt of India

Order No. 298. Ry dated 15/3/99
Communicated to the Agent
S. I. Rys

JH
14.3.99.

No. 321 R.S.

Dated 14th March 1899.

Received 13 3 99

Registered

Enclosures

Spare copies

A ✓
E.R. ✓

Despatched on 18/3/99

SUBJECT.

Sleepers for the Madura Paumban Ry

Passing orders re: a tender of Mr C. Davies for the supply of Australian Jarrah —

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY STORES.

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVT. OF MADRAS RYS. RECEIVED 13 MAR 1899

To

The Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department, Railway Branch.

Simla, the 4th March 1899.

C11/99

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.175 Railway dated the 14th February 1899, forwarding for orders copy of a letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway with its enclosure, regarding a tender of Mr.C.Davies for the supply of Australian Jarrah sleepers for the Madura Paumben Railway, I am directed to inform you that the Jarrah sleepers are priced too high and are not required at present.

2. There is no information in this office about Jarrah sleepers having been imported for trial but I am to add that there is no objection to the Agent, South Indian Railway getting a small number for his own renewals so as to acquire experience as to their suitability for the conditions of Madras.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C.O. Lee

Offg: Under Secretary.

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.

1,000—5-3-96.

FORM No. 20.

phone URGENT
TELEGRAM ORDINARY
DEFERRED

FROM E.R. TO A

Your 160 Feb 20.

India orders Madura Pamban Estimate prepared for wooden sleepers and fifty pound flat foot rails not 56 pound.

(Sd) F-J. E-S
27/3/99

No 983
23-3-99