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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 4th September 1860.

No. 40. Read the following letter from H. CLEGHORN, Esq., M.D., Conservator of Forests, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 20th August 1860, No. 121 :—

SIR,

1. With reference to Proceedings* of Government sanctioning the Estimate for 1860-1, for working the North Canara Forests amounting to Rupees 68,689. I regret to find that it is necessary to solicit an additional sanction for the sum of Rupees 12,551-1-2, this will amount altogether for the year to Rupees 81,219-13-2.

* *No.* 700, *dated 2nd May* 1860.
No. 1,055, *dated 26th June* 1860.

2. The items requiring adjustment are :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Payment to Contractor Kista Prabho.....	7,526	15	1
,, to Laborers.....	4,564	14	5
,, to preparing Sandalwood.....	64	3	8
Salaries of Temporary Establishment.....	395	0	0
Total.....	12,551	1	2

3. The expenditure has without doubt been fairly incurred and the amount will be accounted for in this years' account current.

4. The balance of Kista Prabho's contract ought to have been accounted for last year, but the amount was ordered to be kept in deposit, pending the decision of a suit between him and his partner regarding Elephants employed.

5. The receipts of the Department in North Canara are very large, and the amount acknowledged by the Collector for the last four months, 1859-60, was 1,11,513 Rupees.

No. 41. ORDER THEREON, 4th September 1860, No. 1,507.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Conservator of Forests the Government sanction the further advance of Rupees (12,551) Twelve thousand five hundred and fifty-one for working the North Canara Forests in 1860-1.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

N.o 87 of 1860.

Assistant Conservator's Office
Sedashigur 25th May 1860.

To,

H. Cleghorn Esq.re M. D.
Conservator of Forests.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Government order N.o 700 of 2nd. May sanctioning an expenditure of Rs 35000 for the Current year, but declining to sanction the whole of the estimate (Rs 68,668.12.0) on the ground of its being so much larger than usual.

2. In my annual Report S.A.415, and in the appendix referring to these Sts it was I hope, been shewn satisfactorily, first why the expenditure was not higher before, & secondly why it has increased after the introduction of the Amany Systems.

3. By comparing the tables given of 7 years, it will be seen, that the higher expenditure is not due to increased rates of labour, or the greater distances from which timber has to be brought; but solely to the Amany works; it will also be seen that during three years of the new Systems only Rs 8000 to 10.000 were paid for works on the Coast, against Rs 20.000 to 48.000 paid in the years 1853 & 56.

4. As for the quantity of timber required this year, and the rate at which I think it can be brought

brought to the Depots, the estimate shewing each item explains itself.

5. It appears to me, Government are under the impression, that all monies paid to Contractors are advances. This is not the case. The timber is paid for after arrival at the Depots, & some, only after it has been sold (in Cases where the Contractor has a share in the Sale proceeds). If, however, advances are made to Contractors, they form a very small item, and are worked up within the year, besides heavy securities are always taken by the Revenue Authorities.

6. I have sent another bill with the Report, amounting to Rs 12,551.1.2 for which I beg to get Sanction, besides the 68,668.12.0. Thus requiring a total Sanction of Rs 81,219.13.2. Substracting Rs 35,000 already Sanctioned.

7. Having given in the appendix to the Report, the annual future expenditure at Circa 59,000 Rs, it remains to be explained, why this year the requirements are in excess to the above, by Rs 22,000.

1. The items of the bill forwarded with the report have to be adjusted. viz. Payment of Kisti Prabhoos balance; payment of workmen for work done; and Salaries for the temporary Establishment

Establishment upto 31st April.

2. As has already been remarked in 1857/58 we got no timber on the Coast, & consequently, as the table in the appendix to the Report shews, there were also few payments made. Much of that timber which ought to have arrived then, will be received during this year, which must be paid.

3. Last year we ought to have received from Contractor Vishwanata (vide Report § 25) about 300 Candies of Junglewood, which will arrive during this year and if so the Contractor is due for that work will amount to nearly Rs 9000.

8. Trusting that the above explanations are sufficient, I hope you will be enabled to get the Sanction of the Sums asked for.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obdt Servant
(Signed) S. Müller
Assist Conservr of Forests.

(True Copy)
H. Cleghorn
Conservator of Forests

1860. Dept.

Enclosure one.

In a letter from the Conservator of Forests dated 20th August 1860. No.

No.

From,

Wm. L. Müller
Asst. Conr. of Forests
North Canara.

Rs. 1732/60.

To,

The Conr. of Forests

Requesting to solicit an additional sanction for Rupees 12,657-1-2 for working the North Canara Forests for 1860/60.

R. Pr. 20th March 1860 Nos 123-124.
— 10th May 1860 Nos 26-27.
— 20th May 1860 Nos 19-20.
— 31st May — Nos 170-171.
— for June 1860 Nos 298-299.

(1) Dept. Revenue 1860. Proceedings of Govt for Septr.

No 1732.

From

The Conservator of Forests

To The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Deptt
Fort St. George

Dated 20th August 1860.
Recd 29

No 121.

Enclosure One.

No

Soliciting an additional Sanction for the sum of Rs. 12,551-1-2 for working the North Canara Forests for 1860/61.

No 1507. 4th Septr
With an order

No 1507.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Conservator of Forests to the Govt sanction the further advance of Rs (12,551) twelve thousand five hundred and fifty one for working the Canara Forests in 1860/61.

Fort St. Geo. 4th Septr 1860.

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27 August 1860