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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 23rd June 1864.

No. 312. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd June 1864.

Read again letter from the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, dated 4th May 1864, No. 26, in Board's Proceedings, dated 12th May 1864, No. 2,892.

Read also the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort Saint George, dated Tinnevelly 26th May 1864, No. 205:—

SIR,

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 12th instant, No. 2,892, I have the honor to report that in my Salt Works Budget for 1864-65, submitted to the Board on the 30th November 1863, I made provision, under approximate Estimates, for enlarging the Salt Platforms at the Stations noted in the margin, and entered a remark that the extension of them was very urgent, as the existing platforms did not afford sufficient space for storing the manufactured Salt, and I sent a copy of this Budget to the Superintending Engineer, Captain Moberly, on the 1st December, with a request to cause correct Estimates to be prepared as soon as possible. On the 29th February 1864, Captain Moberly sent for my countersignature three Estimates for enlarging the platforms at the three first named stations noted in the margin, and I accordingly countersigned and returned them to him on the 14th March.

Vypaur.
Manjancolam.
Arasady.
Cailpatam.

2. Subsequently the Superintendent of the Vypaur Salt Pans and the Deputy Collector Ramiah, reported to me that the platforms at Vypaur and Cailpatam required to be enlarged as soon as possible, and with reference to these reports I addressed a letter to Captain Moberly on the 18th March, requesting to be informed whether the above two platforms cannot be enlarged as an emergent case, to some extent out of the funds allotted for the repairs of Salt Works in 1863-64, as it will take some time before the Estimates for the entire work could be sanctioned by Government.

3. Again, on the 29th March, I addressed another letter to Captain Moberly, stating that the Deputy Collectors in charge of the Northern and Southern Salt Pans have reported to me that the four platforms, above referred to, should be immediately enlarged to admit of the current year's Salt being stored; and as they are works of an emergent nature, and as no provision appears to have been made in the original or supplemental Budget sanctioned by Government for 1864-65, I requested him to solicit the Government to make a special grant for the above works, from the Reserve Fund, if no other fund be available, with reference to the concluding part of paragraph 8 of Government Order, dated 6th February 1864, No. 381, Public Works Department; but in reply he informed me by a letter, dated the 4th April 1864, that the arrangement of the Salt Budget rests with the Revenue Board, under Government Order No. 1,675, of 10th September 1863, in communication with Government.

Board's Standing Circular No. CXXXI, dated 24th September 1863, No. 6,086.

4. Afterwards on the 21st April he re-transmitted to me the Estimates which I had before forwarded to him with my countersignature on the 14th March, as stated in paragraph 1 of this letter, requesting me to forward them to the Board, for the sanction of Government, on the ground that they are for Salt works, observing at the same time, that the fact that the Estimates should have been sent to Government was overlooked in his Office, and that they had been irregularly forwarded to the Range Officer for immediate execution.

5. I immediately returned the Estimates to him with a letter, pointing out that in paragraph 3 of the Government Order, dated 16th March 1864, No. 791, Department Public Works, the Government observe that under Rule 10, Chapter VII, of the Public Works Code, all Estimates for Public Works originating in any Department, which are intended for submission to Government, should be sent through the Superintending Engineer; and I further stated that

Board's Standing Circular No. XXVIII, dated 8th April 1864.

I was not aware of any Order which directs that Estimates for *Salt works* should be submitted to Government by me through the Board of Revenue. Thereupon Captain Moberly has informed me in a letter, dated the 4th instant, that to avoid further delay he has forwarded the Estimates to the Board, and that he is of opinion that under Government Order No. 3,600, dated 7th December 1863, the Board is the proper channel for communication, thereby implying that all Estimates for Salt works should be submitted for sanction by me through the Board.

Board's Standing Circular No. C LXVII, dated 19th December 1863.

6. The Estimates received with the Board's Proceedings under reply are herewith returned. The enlargement of the platforms is urgently required, and cannot be postponed, and I request early sanction for the same.

Ordered that the above papers be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that the Estimates amounting to Rupees 3,640 be sanctioned. The work is already far advanced as of an "emergent" character.

No. 313. ORDER THEREON, 23rd June 1864, No. 1,088.

Separate Revenue No. 17.
Salt.

Referred to the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Submitting with Board's recommendation letter from the Collector of Timevelly forwarding report regarding the extension of the Salt Platforms at Vypeur Kumpancolum Arasady and Carlpatum

No. 312 & 313.

William Baker Esq

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Fort St. George
23 June 64

To Chief Secy Public Works Dept
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