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No. 41. Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Ganjam to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Chetterpore, 20th November 1865, No. 2,590 :—

1. With reference to your Telegram, dated the 14th instant, I have the honor to state that I have this day forwarded estimates for sinking wells and enlarging tanks at Berhampore, to the amount of Rupees 10,080, to the Superintending Engineer, for submission to Government. Copy of Captain Philipps' Memorandum is enclosed for your information. I trust at least a portion of these may be sanctioned.

Rice, 1st sort, 6½ Seers a Rupee.
,, 2nd do. 7½ do. do.

2. The bazaars are again, I am happy to say, open and fairly supplied at the rates shewn in the margin.

3. A small supply of rice has been received by sea at Gopalpore from Arracan, and a few boat loads have arrived at Rumbah by the Chilka.

4. Further supplies are expected daily both from Cocanada and Arracan, and as this prospect has been made known through the country, holders of grain have come forward to sell more freely. The crops on the ground, however, are so bad, there cannot fail to be much distress throughout the coming year.

Memorandum accompanying estimate for enlargement of Tanks, &c., in Town and Cantonment of Berhampore.

No. 1. *Outside Town, Road Tank.*—This was originally formed by the excavation of metal and gravel for new road constructed seven years ago, the water was found to be good, though surrounding wells are brackish. During the last hot season, vast numbers of people were dependant on this supply. A spring exists. It is proposed to enlarge this "gravel pit" forming an excellent tank, at a cost of Rupees 2,500.

Strongly recommended.
(Initialed) G. T.

No. 2. *Juggoo Cherru* (west end of Town).—This is a large tank in a very filthy state from long neglect ; the water was formerly pure and good, and will be so again, if throughly cleansed. Estimate Rupees 1,500.

No. 3. *Bejapoor Tank* (east end of Cantonment).—A very valuable supply of good water can be secured by enlarging the area of this tank at a cost of Rupees 900.

No. 4. *Weavers' street Tank* (in Town north side).—The water was formerly sweet and wholesome, but a colony of Pariahs on the bund, employed in curing hides, and in breeding pigs, has contaminated it. These people will now be removed, and a good supply of water can be obtained, and a most filthy swamp filled in at the same time in the neighbourhood for Rupees 1,000.

Recommended strongly.
(Initialed) G. T.

No. 5. *Iyanah Tank* (south side of Town) —This was formed some fifty years ago, and has never been cleaned out since. The water was until lately good. An expenditure of Rupees 600 will suffice to restore it to purity and use.

No. 6. *Lutchmi Nursoo Tank* (north-east of Town, Bapoor District).—This water is good, but supply insufficient. It was dry in hot weather, a valuable addition of good water can be secured by deepening and enlarging tank at a cost of Rupees 500.

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Recapitulation.

	Rs.
Outside Town, Road Tank	2,500
Juggoo Tank	1,500
Bejapoor Tank...	900
Weaver's Street Tank	1,000
Iyanah Tank	600
Lutchmi Nursoo Tank	500
Total proposed expenditure on tanks	7,000
On seven Wells at Rupees 140 each as per plan and estimate ...	3,080
Total...	10,080

Recommended. (Initialed) G. T.

The seven wells will be dug in the quarter of the Town where tanks do not exist of drinking water, and where the inhabitants were greatly distressed for want of it last hot season.

(Signed) C. G. PHILLIPPS, Captain,
Executive Engineer, Ganjam.

BERHAMPORE,
17th November 1865.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) G. THORNHILL,
Acting Collector.

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, 9th December 1865, No. 2,999.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Collector of Ganjam.
„ the Editor's Table.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Rec'd Oct. 1865 from Thos. Colclough Esq. for Mr. Gwynn