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27th September

Public Works Department
No. 2597

No. 485. Read the following order
dated Ootacamund, 6th S
From W. A. GOODCHAP, Esq., District
J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer,
Mysore, 20th August 1876, No.

of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation,
r 1876, No. 188-W. ---
Chief Engineer, Mysore, to Lieutenant-Colonel
for Irrigation, dated Camp at Kovila.

With reference to paragraph 3 of G.O.
the honor to report that on searching the
work was done by the expenditure of Rupees
four years:—

No. 1,370, dated 1st June 1876, I have
and it is ascertained that the following
1,369 on the Markapur tank in the last

New stone revetment with gravel by hand	Rs. 7,938
Old do do with earth to	4,407 1/2
Earthwork to hand	2,000

2. The gravelling over the bund, as provided for in the estimate, is very necessary, as not only the village cattle and carts pass over it, but it is also used as a roadway by other surrounding villages, as will be seen from the accompanying sketch which I have had prepared with reference to the wish expressed in paragraph 5 of the Irrigation Chief Engineer's letter; the constant traffic over the bund has made it so very irregular, that if the present estimate is not immediately sanctioned and worked out, it is likely to prove insufficient after a time.

From the Collector of Mysore, to the District Engineer, Mysore, dated 10th August 1876,
No. 82.

In reply to your letter, No. 85, dated 31st ult., I have the honor to state that I do not agree with you in thinking that the cost of gravelling the bund of the Markapur tank should be a charge on the Local Funds.

The Local Fund Board are not to keep in repair every little village road in the district. If funds are available, it is only one or two out of a hundred village roads perhaps that may need repair, that the Local Fund Board can afford to take on hand at a time, and it is for them to decide which roads they will undertake to repair in any particular year; and the Markapur tank bund road must await its turn to receive attention.

If in the meanwhile the safety of the tank bund requires it to be gravelled, and the Government in their own interests consider it necessary to expend a large sum of money for this purpose, they surely cannot expect the Local Fund Board to relieve them of an expenditure which, comparatively speaking, can benefit them only a little; besides the Local Fund Board have no funds at their disposal at present to be expended on village roads.

Subscribed for the information of Government with reference to G.O. 1st June 1876,
No. 1,370.

2. It will be seen that the District Engineer advocates the gravelling of the bund of the Markapur tank at a cost of Rupees 726, and the Collector is of opinion that the charge should not be borne by Local Funds.

3. As a general principle, it is not a precedent to the maintenance of village roads over tank bunds, and it would appear to be necessary that where other funds are not

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No. 2,597

available for meeting the additional

G.O. No. 1,908 dated 20th August
of river embankments as roadways,
followed.

(Sd/-)

is due to their use as roads, traffic along
the bunds should be stopped. The order
Government as per margin, on the use
it to require that this course should be

WIN MULLINS, LL. CL., R.P.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

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ORDER IN COUNCIL, 2

September 1873, No. 2,597.

IRRIGATION, No. 50.

cessary, and sanction to the item of Rs. 725 on this account is therefore, with reference
to paragraph 4 of G.O. No. 1,970, of the 1st June 1873, declined.

His GRACE the Governor in Council
considers the proposed gravelling of the
bund of the Markapur tank to be unne-
cessary, and sanction to the item of Rs. 725 on this account is therefore, with reference
to paragraph 4 of G.O. No. 1,970, of the 1st June 1873, declined.

2. Looking to the very large outlay which had been incurred on this tank prior
to the preparation of the estimate sanctioned in the above Government Order, the
Government desire the District Engineer to consider whether it is absolutely necessary
to close the natural escape of 69 feet at the west end of the bund and to supersede the
wall of 81 feet at the east end, and whether the requirements of the tank could not be
effectively met by providing only the additional means of disposing of surplus required,
viz. a new wall of 150 feet in length. The District Engineer should also ascertain
and report what the expenditure on maintenance of the last twenty years will amount to
including that provided for in the recently sanctioned estimate for repairs.

(For Extract)



Colonel

Off. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Kurnool.
Collector of Kurnool.
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
Secretary of Public Works Department.
Revenue Department.

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