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Read the fo... ers:—

No. 227. From J. O'SHAUGHN... , District Engineer, Nellore, to Major-General G. W. WAL... , Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Nellore, 1... 1876, No. 117.

In reference to your memorandu... , dated the 19th August 1876, I have the honor to bring to your notice ... nal issue of the Irrigation Budget since received, there are no deduction... unt granted in the Preliminary Budget for the following works:—

Budget Item.		Allotment.
	IRR...	RS.
	O...	
	Mis...	
298	Improving ri... kment of Pennair fro... condah to Nellore tank	28,200
299	Do. do. ... sea ...	19,500
	Total ...	47,700

And I request to be informed if the Bu... the reduction of Rupees 10,000 and Rupees 5,000 respectively, made in yo... er reference from the allotments for those works.

2. In regard to the reduction of ... from item 28 of the Provincial Budget, (land to be enclosed within the ... all of the station-house at Nellore,) I have the honor to point out that, if ... withdrawn, the allotments for the

* Provincial Budget item No. 28, and G... No. 1,410 of 7th June 1876.
Latrine ... ... Rupees ...
Compound wall ... ... „ ...

... d latrine* and compound wall ... be withdrawn also, because the works cannot be carried out if the ... not purchased.

There is great difficulty in gettin... of this land, the matter is in the hands of the Collector, and it is probab... provisions of Act X of 1870 must be enforced in regard to it. I believe, ... hat possession of the land may be obtained in time to have the buildings co... ore the end of the official year, and I recommend that the original allotmen... urchase of the land be allowed to hold good.

3. In regard to the reduction of ... 0 in the allotment for the East Coast Canal, I beg to draw your attent... rogress Report of that work for the month of September. The mont... ure on that work has increased from 6,000 or 7,000 Rupees a-month ... ning of the year to about 15,000 in the past month, and, if funds are ava... thly expenditure can be increased to much more than it is at present. ... balance, Rupees 48,500, of the reduced allotment will be quite spent ... December, and this is allowing for occasional stoppages during the mon... that, if a further grant is not made, we will have to stop work in ... from the present time.

4. There are now about 5,... canal, and, owing to the want of rain and floods and consequent want ...in cultivation, the numbers of people seeking employment on the can... creasing. Should the canal work be stopped as it must be if more fun... nted for it, I do not know what is to become of these people, they will ...k "relief" work from the Collector; but there is no work in this distr... ...y can be so conveniently or profitably employed as on the canal, and I ...ge upon Government the desirability of granting more money for ...

5. For similar reasons, ...ginal allotments for the Pennair flood banks may not be reduced. ...st necessary one, and, from its nature and position, it is well adapte... ...ment of those classes, young and old, who have no other means of e... ...probably subsistence at present.

6. To revert to the sub... Coast Canal, I may mention that by a slight detour by backwater rou... ...am road, which is not yet cut through in the line of the canal, it is op... a continuous distance of 13 miles north of the Kundalairoo, and, if func... ...ng, we can probably get boats through to the Pennair before the end o... ...ar.

No. 228. From the same Of... ...lore, 1st November 1876, No. 128.

I BEG to draw immediate at... ...tter, No. 117, dated the 11th ultimo.

2. By the failure of the... ...ds in June and July and the failure so far of the north-east monsoon, t... ...ple who would otherwise be employed in cultivation are seeking emplo... ...ic Works.

3. There are over 3,000... ...ed on the Pennair south bank, and employment has to be refused fo... ...y to many others who offer themselves for work. Out of the reduced a... ...'s work, *vide* your No. 1,254, dated 19th August 1876, there is about R... ...ng unexpended, and of this sum Rupees 1,500 is due for work already do... ...re is actually only Rs. 4,000 available. This will be worked out in ten ... ...then the 3,000 people now employed will, if no more money is grante... ...mployment.

4. I inspected last week ...he East Coast Canal now in progress. The number of people employed ...s over 7,000, which shows an increase of about 2,000 in the last mont... ...r is increasing daily, people are flock- ing to the work from the wes... ...ere is a large gang even from the Cuddapah district, and, as I hav... ...ploy for the present every person who comes to the canal for work, the ...e end of this month probably 10,000 people employed on it.

5. The unexpended balan... Budget allotment is about Rs. 33,000; there is about Rupees 8,000 w... ...ed work to be paid for, which leaves only Rupees 25,000 for current ...nd this sum will probably be worked out before the end of this mont...

6. There are probably 4... ...yed on ordinary irrigation works all over the district; there was o... the grant unexpended at the begin-

7. The state of affairs in regard... ...ks is attributable to the difference in the preliminary and final Budget gr... unexpected charges being debited to this head of service. I have explain... Chief Engineer for Irrigation, and am anxiously waiting for orders; in th... e my hands are tied, and the works must be stopped forthwith.

8. No doubt, the Collector is ke... ...ment informed of the state of the district, but I may mention to you t... ...ened with a fearful crisis. There is no famine yet; but there is want ... the thousands of idle persons who are moving about unoccupied an... ...y, give great cause for alarm in regard to the peace of the country ... ...n of property. I believe there is sufficient food in the district for on... ...wo years local consumption, but it is being exported every day by lan... cannot be procured in the local markets but in small quantities and at ... The contractors on the Coast Canal have had to bring grain from M... ...n is being almost daily exported from the villages in the neighbourhood.

9. I earnestly beg of you to urge... ...rnment the immediate necessity of making the following additional grants ...r-mentioned works:—

	Rs.
East Coast Canal	50,000
Pennair flood banks	15,000
Ordinary Agricultural Works	20,000
Total ...	85,000

10. If this money is not grante... ...t 20,000 organized work-people who are now working satisfactorily ... ...be disbanded, and for peace and humanity's sake they will have to be ... ...where on relief works, and I need not say that it will be an advantage in ... to keep them where they are.

11. I have not one moment to l... ...aging to stop or to go on with the works I have mentioned, and I therefo... ...u to let me know by telegram what I am to do.

No. 229. Telegram from the Secret... ...rnment, Public Works Department, to the District Engineer, N... ...d 3rd November 1876.

INCREASE of your grants for canal ... ...rdinary Agricultural, sanctioned.

No. 230. Proceedings of the Madr... ...t in the Revenue Department, dated 4th Nov... No. 1,572.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenu... ...ovember 1876, Mis. No. 9,386.

Read the following telegram from th... ...ellore, dated 2nd November 1876.

"PLEASE urge Government to ... ...gineer more money as asked for Pennair embankment, or four thous... ...hrown out of employ in ten days."

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The Board trust that funds m r Public Works in Nellore.
(T Extract.)
(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

COMMUNICATED to the Pu nent, as the matter appears to be under consideration in that departm
ct.)
(Signed) H. B. GRIGG,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 231. ORDER TH vember 1876, No. 3,043.

IRRIGATION, No. 1

RECORDED, with reference to Chief gineer's memorandum, No. 1,602, of 4th vember, and telegram of same date.
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Colles Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Nellore.
,, Chief Engineer for Irrigatio
,, Revenue Department.

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