Revenue Department

G.O No 1253 of 14-9-1858

Book No # 68-9

Diary ~~No~~ 14-9-58

No. 68. Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., on Special Duty, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary, dated Masulipatam 27th August 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day, of Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department, under date the 21st August, calling for the report, which I had promised in my letter of the 11th July, should be sent in at the commencement of the current month.

2. In reply I much regret to state, that, the survey operations in the Masulipatam villages, have been retarded more than I expected, by the late monsoon weather; and the whole of the measurements of the last village in this district, were not quite finished on the evening of Tuesday the 23rd Instant. There was however, only a few acres to finish; and I am daily in expectation of receiving from the Public Works Department, the results of the measurements made in this, and two of the other Masulipatam villages, for which also, I have not as yet received the results.

3. In addition to the delay occasioned by the weather, it has so happened that six, out of the eight, villages to be measured in the Godavery Delta have fallen in the range of the same Executive Engineer, who had also the current duties of his office to carry on at the same time, and could only give a portion of his attention to the subject of my enquiries. As the actual measurement are however now completed, what remains for me to do will, I trust, be brought to a close by the end of next week.

4. I beg to state that I have just written to the District Engineer of the Kistna Division, requesting that the measurements may be commenced at once, in the two villages which have been selected by the Collector in the Delta of the Kistna, so as to take full advantage of the break between the monsoons; and as they are only four villages to be measured there altogether, the whole four may be finished, I hope with ease, before the North-East monsoon sets in.

No. 69. ORDER THEREON, No. 1253; dated 14th September 1858.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Registered No.

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From Asst Engr. Telegraph S.W.B. Dykes Esq To Chief Engr.

Number of words 26 Prepaid, Repetition Free S.R.

With reference to second Telegram of the fourth Instant calculations for the fourth village had been received and survey is now wholly concluded in Godavery Delta.

Electric Telegraph Office
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The 6th of Feby 1858.

Assistant in charge E. T. Office

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Despatched 3-25 PM

N. B.—Please enter time of deliver

Masulipatam District
Camp at Vigeshwaram
27th August 1858.

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On Special Duty

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J W B Dr Rev
On Special Duty

Cons. 24th Augt 58 No. 30.
" 27th July " " 83484.
" 19th March " " 45.

Revenue 1858 Dept.
Cons. 14th September

No. 1100.

From J. W. B. Dykes, Esq.
on Special Duty -

Dated 27th Augt 1858.

Recd. 2nd Septr. -"-

Explains the causes of the delay which unavoidably occurred in submitting his promised report on the Survey operations in Masulipatam. Hopes to be able to forward his report at a very early date -

No. 1253.

Recorded -

14th September 1858

No. 68069.

9th Septr. 1858 "