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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 1st May 1867.

No. 3. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th April 1867, No. 2,343.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 29th March 1867, No. 79 :—

1. At the instance of the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, and my Sub-Collector, I have the honour to forward an estimate, with levels, for repairing the Kunddootha Manikum tank, in Oodoomulpettah talook, amounting to Rs. 4,300, and to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained for the same.

2. The necessity for the work is so fully explained in Mr. McQuhae's letters of the 15th December 1866 and 1st February 1867, (copies herewith sent,) that any further remarks on my part are unnecessary.

3. The Superintending Engineer has already given instructions to the Range Officers to commence the work so as to make the most of the present dry season, and states that there will be no lack of money for the work next year.—*Vide* accompanying copy of his letter, dated 26th February 1867, No. 68.

From the Sub-Collector of Coimbatore, to the Acting Collector of Coimbatore, dated 15th December 1866.

In forwarding a revised estimate for repair to the Kunddootha Manikum tank, in Oodoomulpettah, I have the honour to bring to your notice the fact, that the tank in its present state cannot be allowed to receive half its proper supply of water for fear it should breach. This tank has already breached twice in the last two years, and the repair now estimated for are so necessary that I hope funds will be allotted if possible.

From the Sub-Collector of Coimbatore, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated Camp at Dara-poorum, 1st February 1867, No. 36.

1. In reply to your letter of the 18th January 1867, No. 19, I have the honour to state my opinion that the Kunddootha Manikum tank, in Oodoomulpettah talook, cannot be abandoned.

2. This tank is situated near the town of Oodoomulpettah, where great difficulty is experienced in obtaining water. The effect of the tank is to keep water in the wells for a much longer period than would be the case if there were no tank. It is impossible to irrigate the land under the Kunddootha Manikum tank from the Periacolum tank without greatly enlarging the latter tank, and swamping much valuable land now irrigated from the Shencoolam tank.

3. I consider the abandonment of the tank to be entirely out of the question, and I hope that the sanction of Government will be obtained for the execution of the work estimated for by the Assistant Engineer. It is true that the tank consumes a good deal of money every year, as remarked by the Overseer, but it does so because it has never been put in proper repair. If a proper stone revetment be erected, the tank will not consume any more money unless some extraordinary flood breaches it.

4. The original letter from the Superintending Engineer, with its enclosure, is returned.

From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated Camp at Mangalore, 26th February 1867, No. 68.

I have the honour to forward the levels and estimates of Kunddootha Manikum tank, as requested in your letter No. 20, of 12th February, and as there will be no lack of money for the work next year, and I have no doubt of its being

1. Levels.
2. Estimates, Rupees 4,300.

sanctioned on your Sub-Collector's strong recommendation, I have instructed the Coimbatore Range Officer to commence the work so as to make the most of the present dry season.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.—Estimate.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Levels.

As it appears from the Sub-Collector's letter, dated 1st February 1867, that the tank in question is of great importance to the town of Oodoomulpettah, the Board resolve to request that funds may be allotted for its repair. The Collector, however, should have stated the probability of the proposed outlay proving remunerative to Government.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, 1st May 1867, No. 982.

- Miscellaneous

1. The Government approve and sanction the work in question.

2. The question of the provision of funds will be considered in the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
.. the Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 12th April 1867.

No. 2,343.

Requesting that funds may be allotted for repairing Kunddootha Manikum tank in Oodoolampettah Taluq, Coimbatore district, and stating that Collector should have stated probability of the proposed outlay proving remunerative to Government.

Copy to the Collector of Coimbatore.

Exd. J. Wright.