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Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 4936

DATED 14th December 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording letter from the Collector of Amantapur explaining the delay in signing and returning to Ordnance Dept of the Delivery voucher in respect of the supply of tents to the Famine Relief Officer at Gooty.

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From The Collector of Anantapur

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SUBJECT. Submitting Explanation for the delay caused in acknowledging the receipt of the tents issued to the officer on Famine Relief Duty at Gooty and stating that the duplicate receipt & delivery vouchers relating thereto have been signed by the then Assistant Engineer, Famine Sub Division, Gooty and returned to the Ordnance officer, Madras Arsenal, direct,

6/12/98

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Anantapur Collector's Office,
Dated 2nd December 1898.

From

Bannatyne Maclead Esq., M.A. Bar-at-Law

Collector of

Anantapur.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department,

Madras.

Sir,

In reply to G.O. No 3631, Miscellaneous, dated 6th September 98, I have the honour to inform you that the duplicate receipt and delivery vouchers relating to the issue of tents to the Officer on Famine Relief duty, at Gooty, have been — Signed by the then Assistant Engineer, Famine Sub Division, Gooty, and returned to the Ordnance officer, Madras Arsenal, direct. The delay caused in acknowledging the receipt of tents is thus explained, A Cover from the Bellary Arsenal office addressed to the officer in charge of Famine works, Gooty, was first taken to M R Ry K. Narayana Iyer Avergal, Famine Deputy Collector, Gooty, who endorsed thereon on 1-8-97, "This does not apparently belong to me-Please Send it to Mr. Mullings or the ~~Tahsildar~~ Taluk

On this letter 8, 7-7-98 the Ordnance officer says that they have not been received ?

Relief officer, Gooty" and returned the cover. Some one of the Post Office authorities, probably, wrote on the same cover "Famine Tahsildar". It was accordingly delivered to the Tahsildar of Gooty on 7-8-97. It contained a Railway receipt for tents. The Tahsildar in his letter C.No 1164 8-8-77 addressed the Ordnance officer, Bellary, requesting to wire to the Deputy Tahsildar in charge of the Taluk office, Gooty, the name of the officer to whom the receipt was meant, as there were then 5 officers in charge of Relief works in the Gooty Taluk viz. (1) Mr. Mullings, Assistant Engineer, Famine Sub Division, P.W.D, Gooty; (2) M.R.Ry. K. Narain Iyer Avergal, Famine Deputy Collector, Gooty; (3) M.R.Ry. K. Narasimham Pantulu Garu, Loans Deputy Collector in charge of relief works, Uravakonda Division, Gooty Taluk (4) Mr. Andrews, Taluk Relief officer, who had not then joined his appointment at Gooty and (5) the Tahsildar himself. No reply having been received by the Tahsildar, he addressed the Collector on 16-8-97. He also telegraphed to the Ordnance Officer on 22-8-97 and wrote him again a letter on 25-8-97. He moreover consulted M.R.Ry K. Narain Iyer Avergal, Famine Deputy Collector, on the subject. He was told that it would be better to take delivery of the packages to avoid demurrage charges and to keep them in his office or to give them to Mr. Andrews, Famine Taluk Relief officer, who wanted tents. The Tahsildar accordingly cleared the packages on the 27th Idem and gave them to Mr. Andrews or kept them in his office, (the Tahsildar cannot exactly remember - which he did, at this distant date). The special Deputy Tahsildar in charge of the Taluk office received a reply from the Ordnance officer, Bellary, on 27-8-97 stating that the tent was forwarded for the use of Mr. Mullings (D.S.W). The packages containing the tent were then handed over to Mr. Mullings who acknowledged their receipt in his letter No 82 dated 2nd September 97. The Tahsildar reports that no invoice was sent to him for signature and that he would not have received the tent from the Railway station, but for the suggestion of the famine deputy Collector. It will thus be observed that the Tahsildar took immediate actions in the matter & that he is not to be blamed for the delay. The Ordnance officer, Bellary, knew well the name of the officer who received the tent. He should have in time addressed the right person to acknowledge the receipt of the tent and avoided this delay.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

For Collector.

FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

DEPARTMENT

Madras.

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D/4 1,000—8-4-97.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

C No. 8321 of 1898

From the Collector of Anantapur

No 1610 Dated 4 — 12 — 1898.

FOR ORDERS. To us

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Reference is solicited to the note under G.O. 3681 dated 6-9-98 in which the following facts are noted:—

The Arsenal at Madras consigned 3 tents to the Taluk Relief Officer at Gooty on the 28-7-97

~~[illegible]~~, the Ordnance officer in ch: of the Arsenal forwarded duplicate receipt and Delivery vouchers (for signature & return) on the 22-11-97

Not getting a reply the same officer sent a reminder ~~on this~~ in ?-1-98

The Dy Adjutant General reported to Govt in August last that the vouchers relating to the tents ~~were not returned till~~ had not yet been returned 29-3-98

Melgaut then requested the Collector of Anantapur to have the duplicate receipt and delivery vouchers signed by the proper officer and returned to the Arsenal, Madras, and to furnish a full report as to the inordinate delay that has occurred in the matter.

In reply the Collector says

That a Railway receipt in a cover addressed to the Officer in charge of famine works, Gooty, came from the Bellary Arsenal office & was taken to the Famine Dy Colr on the 1-8-97

He directed it to be delivered to Mr Millings the Asst Engineer, Famine Sub. Dn or to the Taluk Relief Officer, Gooty;

By some mistake, it was delivered to the Tahr of Gooty on the 7-8-97

The Tahr asked the Ordnance Officer, Bellary, to whom the receipt was meant

No reply having been received from the Tahr addressed the Collector on the 16-8-97

He also telegraphed to the Ordnance Officer on the 22-8-97

Also wrote to him a letter on the 25-8-97

To avoid demurrage charges, however, the Tahr took charge of the packages (in anticipation of reply from the Ordnance Officer) on the 27-8-97

The Spl Dy Tahr (in charge of the Taluk office) received a reply from the Ordnance Officer on the 27-8-97 stating that the tents were forwarded for the use of Mr Millings (P.W.D)

The packages were handed over to Mr Millings and he acknowledged their receipt in his letter No. 82 dated 2-9-97.

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