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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 20th May 1889, Mis. No. 624 M., Local and Municipal.

Read—the following papers :—

From M.R.Ry. P. RATNASABAPATHI PILLAI Avargal, Rai Bahadur, Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Divisional officer and the Collector of Tanjore), dated Negapatam, 6th September 1888, No. 551.

I have the honor to submit the memorial (in original) addressed to this Municipal Council by about 2,500 rate-payers of this town, together with the papers noted in the margin, and request that the subject therein referred to may receive the favorable consideration of Government.

Memorandum, dated 2nd July 1888, by the Chairman, recommending the submission of the memorial to Government.

Resolution of the Municipal Council, dated 4th July 1888.

Resolution of the Taluk Board of Negapatam, dated 4th August 1888.

Resolution of the Municipal Council, dated 29th August 1888.

2. The memorialists pray that a bridge may be constructed in the place of the existing ferry over the Uppanar, and the reasons therefore are stated in detail in the memorial and my memorandum. The Council are of opinion that the growing importance of the town and its present overcrowding render it imperative that the proposed bridge should be constructed in view to enable large numbers of the population, who at present live in closely packed-up huts, to find commodious and healthy habitations beyond the river, and generally to facilitate the traffic with the villages on the other side. The Taluk Board of Negapatam concur in the opinion of this Council.

3. In regard to the cost of the proposed bridge, the Council beg respectfully to state that it is only just and proper that it should be borne by Government from Provincial funds as a large revenue has been realized by the existing ferry collections.

4. In conclusion, I trust that Government will be pleased to grant the prayer of the memorialists, supported by the Council, and direct the construction of the bridge in the place of the existing ferry.

No. 689-Munl.

Forwarded.

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Acting Collector.

Tranquebar,
24*th September* 1888.

No. 921.

Referred to the Collector for report with special reference to paragraph 3 of the Chairman's letter.

(By Order.)

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Ag. Asst. Secretary.

Madras,
24*th October* 1888.

To the Collector of Tanjore.

From E. GIBSON, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Tranquebar, 1st April 1889, No. 193.

With reference to Government endorsement No. 921, dated 24th October 1888, on the Negapatam Municipal Chairman's letter, No. 551, dated 6th September 1888, enclosing a memorial from the inhabitants of the said town, I have the honor to report as follows.

2. The memorialists request that a bridge be constructed over the Uppanar in lieu of the present ferry, called Kaduvayar ferry, between the Negapatam town and the villages on the other side.

3. The necessity for a bridge and the advantages to be derived therefrom are clearly set forth in the Chairman's memorandum; and the Municipal Council and the Taluk Board, Negapatam, support his views. If the proposed bridge be constructed, there can be no doubt that it will be a great boon to the people of the town as well as those in the outlying villages.

Year.	Amount.
	RS.
1879	1,732
1880	1,472
1881	2,080
1882	1,700
1883	1,675
1884	1,726
1885	1,861
1886	2,107
1887	2,122
1888	2,125
Total ..	18,600

4. A sketch showing the site of the ferry, &c., is herewith submitted together with a copy of the Head Assistant Collector's letter, No. 1396, dated 13th December 1888.

5. The provisions of the Canal and Ferry Act I of 1870 were applied to the ferry in question under Government Notification dated 10th January 1871, published in *Fort St. George Gazette* dated 17th January 1871; and the receipts from this ferry during the last 10 years are given in the margin, from which it will be seen that the average annual income amounts to Rs. 1,860. On a rough calculation the receipts from the ferry during the last 18 years, since the introduction of the Act, amount to Rs. 33,480.

6. Under the impression that this sum goes entirely to Government, the Municipal Council urge that the cost of the bridge should be a charge on the Provincial revenues.

7. It appears that out of the net receipts under Canal and Ferry funds an annual contribution of not less than Rs. 5,000 is paid to the Local funds on account of the upkeep of the roads leading to the canals, leaving a small balance at its credit.

8. In these circumstances, I think that the charges of the construction of the bridge should be borne partly by the Municipal Council and partly by the District Board.

9. The papers received with the endorsement are herewith returned.

10. I regret the delay in reporting on this matter; it has been occasioned by references to ascertain the ferry collections for a series of years.

Order—dated 20th May 1889, Mis. No. 624 M., Local and Municipal.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that no portion of the cost of the proposed bridge over the Uppanar should fall on Government, which has derived no benefit from the ferry, nor on the Local Board, which, on completion of the work, will lose the revenue it has hitherto received from this source. If the bridge is constructed, the Municipal Council will doubtless put a toll on it, as it is just on the boundary of the municipality as at present constituted, and will thus gain a substantial income therefrom, while if the town should be extended to the south, and the municipal limits enlarged, the Council will obtain besides tolls on that side, taxes on the extended portion. The Council should therefore bear the whole cost of the bridge. If under these circumstances they still desire its construction, the Public Works Department will be asked to prepare an estimate.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam,
through the Collector of Tanjore.
„ President, District Board, Tanjore.

G.O., dated 15th August 1889, Mis. No. 1032 M., Local and Municipal.

Read—the following paper:—

From M.R.Ry. P. RATNASABAPATHI PILLAI Avargal, Rai Bahadur, Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Collector of Tanjore and the Divisional officer), dated Negapatam, 20th June 1889, No. 371.

With reference to the orders of Government, Mis. No. 624 M., dated 20th May 1889, I have the honor to submit, herewith, an extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council and request that the Government will be pleased to give the subject their favorable consideration.

2. The contention of the Municipal Council is that, inasmuch as the roads leading to the canal have been made and are being maintained at their cost, and as no roads to it have been made or maintained by the Local funds, the net collections ought, under the principles under which Government have been acting, to be paid over to themselves in preference to the District Board. If the whole of the amount of the ferry collections that is now made over to the District Board cannot be transferred to the Municipal Council, I submit that at least two-thirds ought to go to the Municipality and the remaining one-third to the District Board on the principle now obtaining in the case of the toll collections on municipal limits.

3. If the Government be pleased to grant the prayer of the Council and transfer to them the whole of the ferry collections from its commencement they are prepared to undertake the construction of the bridge, which will be of immense advantage to the towns-people as well as to the outside villages, as it will create ample room on the other side of the river for the extension of the town which, in some parts, is at present overcrowded and filled with unwholesome huts. If, however, the transfer of the revenue to the municipality is sanctioned from the date of the order, it is proposed to start a Sinking fund with it, in view to the eventual construction of the bridge with the accumulated capital and its interest.

4. I trust that the position advanced by the Council will commend itself to Government, and that favorable orders will be passed.

Submitted. It has already been recommended in this office letter No. 1396, dated 13th December 1888, that a contribution equal to the total net receipts from the ferry, may fairly be given to the Council in aid of the proposed undertaking and I think that a Sinking fund may very well be started as proposed by the Chairman.

NEGAPATAM,
24th June 1889.

(Signed) R. H. CAMPBELL,
Ag. Head Assistant Collector.

Forwarded. No. 409-Munl.

2. The proposal of the Municipal Council is that Government will divert or confiscate a part of the Local Fund revenue of the district to enable the municipality to build a bridge which, as Government have already pointed out, must become a source of profit to the town.

Setubavachattram,
6th July 1889.

(Signed) H. F. W. GILLMAN,
for Collector.

Order—dated 15th August 1889, Mis. No. 1032 M., Local and Municipal.

The Municipal Council's claim to a share of the receipts from the Uppanar ferry should be put before the District Board and their views reported. It must be remembered that Local funds have no absolute claim to ferry rents, and in the present case it is alleged that the Municipality does, and the Local Boards do not, maintain roads leading to the ferry in question.

2. The Collector is requested to ascertain from the Superintending Engineer the approximate cost of constructing the bridge proposed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Tanjore.
" Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam.
" President, District Board, Tanjore.

Read—also the following papers :—

From W. A. HAPPELL, Esq., President, District Board, Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Vallam, 9th October 1889, No. 296.

With reference to G.O., Mis. No. 1032 M., dated 15th August 1889, I have the honor to state that the District Board, before whom the subject was placed at the meeting held on the 28th ultimo, resolved to pay Rs. 2,500, being a moiety of the savings which accrued during the past five years from the contributions made to the Board from the Canal and Ferry fund of the district as well as an annual payment of Rs. 500 for five years, on condition that the Municipal Council agrees to complete the bridge within that period.

2. A copy of the District Board's resolution on the subject is enclosed.

No. 872.

Official Memorandum.

With reference to his letter, dated 9th October 1889, No. 296, the President, District Board, Tanjore, is requested to state whether the roads leading to the ferry in question have been constructed or maintained by the Local Fund Board or by the Municipal Council, and to submit a statement showing (1) the total collections from the ferry, in each year, from its commencement ; (2) the expenditure incurred thereon by the Revenue Department ; (3) the contribution paid to the Local Fund Board ; (4) the expenditure, if any, incurred on the roads leading to the ferry by the Local Fund Board, and (5) the net amount credited to Local funds.

28th October 1889. (Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Ag. Asst. Secretary.

To the President, District Board, Tanjore.

From W. A. HAPPELL, Esq., Acting Collector, Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Vallam, 10th December 1889, No. 885.

With reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., dated 15th August 1889, Mis. No. 1032 M., I have the honor to state that the cost of constructing a bridge over the Uppanar at Negapatam, as reported by the Superintending Engieer, VI Circle, will be Rs. 40,675.

2. The estimates and the plans received from the Superintending Engineer, together with copy of his letter, are submitted for information.

From E. GIBSON, Esq., President, District Board, Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Vallam, 13th March 1890, No. 83.

In reply to Government memorandum, dated 28th October last, No. 872, I have the honor to report that the road to the Kaduvayar ferry is about 476 yards in length, 246 yards of which are metalled and the remaining 230 yards are ordinary mud road. The whole length is within the municipal limits and is maintained from Municipal funds. Prior to the establishment of the municipality, the road must have been made by Government, but when, and at what cost, it cannot be ascertained. The road being in charge of the municipality, the Local Fund Board had no occasion to maintain it and no sum has therefore been spent on it up to date.

2. The total collections from the ferry in question since 1879 is Rs. 20,729-14-0, as noted below :—

	RS.	A.	P.
1879	1,732	6	0
1880	1,471	8	0
1881	2,080	0	0
1882	1,700	0	0
1883	1,675	0	0
1884	1,726	0	0
1885	1,861	0	0
1886	2,107	0	0
1887	2,122	0	0
1888	2,125	0	0
1889	2,130	0	0
Total	20,729	14	0

3. The expenditure incurred by the Revenue Department so far as has been ascertained from the accounts available was Rs. 753-8-0, as detailed below :—

	RS.	A.	P.
Boat hire from 1st October 1880 to 28th October 1882, at Rs. 17½ per annum	157	0	0
Boat hire in 1887	84	0	0
Do. in 1889	22	8	0
Repair of boat as per Executive Engineer's letter to the Tahsildar of Negapatam, No. 1538, dated 27th August 1890	300	0	0
Do. do. do. in 1888	190	0	0
Total	753	8	0

4. As regards the contribution to the Local Fund Board, I beg to state that every year contribution is paid in lump, without any particulars as to the proportion contributed from the revenue of each ferry in the district. The amounts contributed for the whole district from 1882-83, are noted below :—

	RS.
1882-83	1,800
1883-84	6,000
1884-85	8,000
1885-86	8,000
1886-87	5,500
1887-88	5,000
1888-89	5,500
Total for the seven years	56,000

	RS.	A.	P.
*1882-83	1,524	3	11
1883-84	10,015	2	1
1884-85	12,797	5	9
1885-86	8,084	7	7
1886-87	1,948	12	4
1887-88	2,407	12	0
1888-89	1,934	13	9
Total ..	38,712	9	5

Against this amount, the District Board have spent Rs. 38,712-9-5 * on the repair of the ferry roads in all the taluks of the district.

5. The net amount credited to the Local Fund Board during the period of seven years in question is Rs. 56,000—38,712-9-5 or Rs. 17,287-6-7. But the District Board's claim to contribution rests also on the maintenance from Local funds of the roads which contribute traffic to the ferry roads.

From J. THOMSON, Esq., President, District Board, Tanjore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Vallam, 9th August 1890, No. 224.

With reference to Government official memorandum No. 238, dated 5th May 1890, I have the honor to furnish information on each of the points noticed therein :—

I. How many roads converge on the ferry in question? and of these, are any maintained by the Local Fund Board? and if so, at what yearly cost to Local funds since the commencement of the ferry?	1. There is only one road on the north of the Kaduvayar or Uppanar ferry maintained by the Negapatam Municipal Council; on the south side of it there is a cart track about five miles in length going to Velanganni and this is not maintained by either the Local Fund Board or Municipality.
II. What grounds has the President for saying that prior to the establishment of the ferry the road thither, now maintained by the Municipality, must have been made by Government? Did this road exist before the ferry was established?	2. The road has been measured in pymash (old survey), and from local inquiry it has been ascertained that it has been in existence long before 1871, the year in which the ferry was established. There is nothing to show that it was maintained by Government before 1871, nor that it was originally a made road.
III. What have been the total collections from the ferry in each year from its *establishment?* The President has only given the receipts since 1879, but the ferry appears to have been in existence since 1871.	3. No records are available to show distinctly what the collections of the Kaduvayar ferry were from 1871 to 1878, and in the absence of such statistics, the receipts of the subsequent years alone were already reported.
IV. What has been the expenditure in each year by the Revenue Department upon the ferry since its commencement? The President has only given particulars since 1880.	4. The information required is not available.
V. What is the proportion of the receipts of each ferry which is contributed to the District Board by the Revenue Department? This the President should be able to ascertain. If he is able to do so, the contribution on account of the ferry in question from its establishment for each year should be stated. It is observed that the President has shown the lump contribution only from 1882-83, and that the details amount to Rs. 39,800 and not to Rs. 56,000 as stated by him.	5. No rule or proportion appears to have been hitherto observed in fixing the contributions made to the District Board, the amount in each year having been estimated with reference to the balance under the Canal and Ferry fund taken as a whole for the district—*vide* also paragraph 4 of this office letter No. 83, dated 13th March 1890. The annual contributions from 1882-83, making up Rs. 56,000, are given below. It is not known where Government got the figure Rs. 39,800 :—

	RS.
1882-83	18,000
1883-84	6,000
1884-85	8,000
1885-86	8,000
1886-87	5,500
1887-88	5,000
1888-89	5,500
Total ..	56,000

VI. What is the net amount credited to Local funds from the Uppanar ferry after deducting the expenditure (if any) incurred upon roads leading to that ferry alone? Details should be given for each year since the establishment of the ferry. The President has already shown the net credit on account of all the ferries in the district—a particular which was not required.	6. As no expenditure was incurred all along from Local funds on the road leading to the Kaduvayar ferry, the whole amounts realized must have formed the surplus made over to Local funds.

Order—dated 16th September 1890, No. 1364 M., Local and Municipal.

On a careful consideration of the papers read above, His Excellency the Governor in Council is not prepared to admit the claim of the Negapatam Municipal Council to receive the whole or two-thirds of the Uppanar ferry collections, which have been made over to the District Board in past years. No retrospective effect can be given to a claim of this character.

2. From the Collector's letter read above, it appears that the proposed bridge on the Uppanar is estimated to cost Rs. 40,675, a sum which the Council cannot raise except by means of a loan. If the Council can show that the receipts from a toll to be placed on the bridge after its completion will be sufficient to meet the interest and liquidate the principal of the cost of building the bridge, in 20 years, the Government will lend the required amount from Provincial funds and also make over to the Council the whole of any future receipts from the ferry.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam,
through the Collector of Tanjore.
" President, District Board, Tanjore.
" Collector of Tanjore, with 12 enclosures returned.
" Public Works Department.
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Exd. P. L. Pereira.

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Proceedings of the District Board Tanjore dated 28th September 1889

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of the Savings of the past 5 years of the Ferry Funds of the District be paid to the Negapatam Municipality on condition of the Municipal Council agreeing to complete the proposed Bridge within 5 years.

Proposed by Mr Pattabhiram Pillai that Rs 1000 be paid every year for 5 years towards the construction of the bridge in question.

Seconded by Mr Ganapati Pillai

Amendment proposed by Mr Campbell that Rs 500 only be paid every year for 5 years.
Seconded by Mr Mir Abbas Ali sahib

Further amendment proposed by Mr Ratnasabhapati Pillai that 2/3rd of the annual proceeds of the Ferry in question be paid to the Municipality and 1/3rd appropriated by the District Board for 5 years.

Seconded by Mr Alaga Pillai.

The further amendment lost six against seven.

The amendment proposed by Mr Campbell is carried.

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(Signed) Krishnasawmy Iyer
For President

(True Extract)

W A Happell
President

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Local Fund ~~Chattram~~ Department.

Tanjore District Board President's Office,
Vallum 9th October 1889.

No. 296

From,
W. A. Happell Esquire,
PRESIDENT District Board,
TANJORE:

To
The Honourable J. F. Price,
Chief Secretary to Government
Local & Municipal Depart.
Madras

Sir,

With reference to G.O. No 1032 L. Mis dated 15th August 1887, I have the honor to state that the District Board before whom the subject was placed at the meeting held on the 28th ultimo resolved to pay Rs 2,500, being a moiety of the savings which accrued during the past 5 years from the contributions made to the Board from the Canal and Ferry Fund of the District as well as an annual payment of Rs 500 for 5 years, on condition that the Municipal Council agrees to complete the Bridge within that period.

2. A Copy of the District Board's resolution on the subject is Enclosed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obdt Servt.

President.

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From

THE PRESIDENT District Board
TANJORE

To

The Chief Secretary to
Government
L & M. Dept
Madras

Dated 9th
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS 11 OCT 89

No. 296

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Stating that the District Board have resolved to pay Rs 2500 being a moiety of the savings of the ferry funds for the ^(amounts) last 5 years as well as an annual payment of Rs 500 for 5 years towards the construction of the Bridge over Uppanar river in the Negapatam Municipality (...)

O. Mn 872 / 28-10-89

With reference to his letter of 9th Octr 1889 No 296, the President District Board, Tanjore is requested to state whether the roads leading to the ferry in question have been constructed or maintained by the Local Fund Board or by the Municipal Council and to submit a statement showing (1) the total collections from the ferry in each year from its commencement, (2) the expenditure incurred thereon by the Revenue Department, (3) the contribution paid to the Local Fund Board, – (4) the expenditure if any, incurred on the roads leading to the ferry by the Local Fund Board and (5) the net amount credited to Local Funds.

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To
The Presdt Dt Bd. Tanjore

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No. 1956 J.T.

From
W. Hughes Esqre
Superintending Engineer
6 Circle

To
The Collector of Tanjore

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Ref. your No 5092 dated 29 August 1889.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for your inspection plans & Estimate for a bridge over the Uppanar at Negapatam and request you will let me know whether steps should be taken to have the Estimate sanctioned. The Estimate amounts to Rs 40,200 and Extra cost of making the bridge 2 feet higher – a modification which I think advisable – is given by the Executive Engineer as Rs 475.

Enclosures 12
1 Survey
3 Levels
3 Plans
1 Rough sketch
1 Estimate with abt Duplicate
1 Calculation of discharge
1 Cost of raising piers 2 ft
1 Copy of E.E No. 3759 / 29.11.85.

A copy of the Executive Engineer's letter No 3759 dated 29 Novr 1885 is also enclosed

I have &c
Sd W. Hughes
Offg Supg Engineer VI Circle

True Copy

in a letter

From the Collector of
Tanjore

To The Chief Secretary to
Govt. L. Dept
Madras

Dated 10th Decr 1889

No 885

Subject

Copy of a letter from the Supdg Engineer 6th Circle to the Collector Tanjore submitting plans &c for a bridge over the Uppanar at Negapatam

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TANJORE, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

No. 885 Camp, Vallam, 10th December 1889.

CURRENT No. 2842

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FROM

W. A. Happell ESQUIRE,
Ag COLLECTOR,
TANJORE,

TO

The Honorable J. F. Price.
Chief Secretary to Government,
L & M Dept. Madras.

SIR,

With reference to para 2 of G.O. dated 15th August 1889 No 1032 M. Mis. I have the honor to state that the cost of constructing a bridge over the Uppanar at Negapatam as reported by the Superintending Engineer 6th Circle will be Rs 40.675.

2. The estimates and the plans received from the Superintending Engineer together with copy of his letter are submitted for information.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obt. Servant

Ag Collector

Rg

mt.

Local & Municipal Dept.

From ~~Current No.~~ 2842 M.F.

The Collector of
Tanjore.

To The Chief Secretary to
Government
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Reporting the approximate cost of Construction a bridge over the Uppanar at Negapatam

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Tanjore District Board President's Office.
Vallam 13th March 1889

No. 83

From,
E. Gibson Esqr.
PRESIDENT District Board
TANJORE.

To
The Hon'ble J. Grose
Chief Secretary to Government
Local & M. Department
Madras.

Sir,

In reply to Government memorandum dated 28th October last No. 872 I have the honor to report that the road to the Kodumayar ferry is about 476 yards in length — 246 yards of which are metalled and the remaining 230 yards are ordinary mud road. The whole length is within the Municipal limits and is maintained from Municipal funds. Prior to the establishment of the Municipality the road must have been made by Government but when and at what cost it cannot be ascertained. The road being in charge of the Municipality, the Local

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Fund Board had no occasion to maintain it and no sum has therefore been spent on it up to date.

2. The total collections from the Ferry in question since 1879 is Rs 20729-14-- as given in the margin.

	Rs.	As.	P.
1879 -	1732 -	6 -	-
1880 -	1471 -	8 -	-
1881 -	7080 -	-	-
1882 -	1700 -	-	-
1883 -	1675 -	-	-
1884 -	1726 -	-	-
1885 -	1861 -	-	-
1886 -	2107 -	-	-
1887 -	2122 -	-	-
1888 -	2135 -	-	-
1889 -	2130 -	-	-
	20729 -	14 -	-

Note
The total collections from the ferry [illegible] from [illegible] which has not been [illegible] [illegible] the Collector's [illegible] of Oct 30-5-89 [illegible] that the ferry was [illegible] that the total collections from [illegible] amounted to Rs 38512 including the receipts for 1889.

3. The expenditure incurred by the Revenue Department so far as it can be ascertained from the accounts available was Rs 753-8-- as detailed below:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Boat hire from 1st October 1880 to 28th October 1882 at Rs 7 per mensem	157	-	-
Boat hire in 1887	84	-	-
Do in 1889	22	8	-
Repairs of boat as per Executive Engineer's letter to the Collector of Negapatam No 1538 dated 27th August 1880	300	-	-
Do in 1888	190	-	-
	753	8	-

Note
The expenditure [illegible] during the [illegible] years [illegible] [illegible]

4. As regards the contribution to the Local Fund Board I beg to state that every year contribution is paid in lump without any particulars as to the proportion contributed from the Revenue of each

Ferry

Ferry in the District. The amounts contributed to the whole District from 1882-83 are (A) noted below:—

	Rs.
1882 - 83	1800
1883 - 84	6,000
1884 - 85	8,000
1885 - 86	8,000
1886 - 87	5500
1887 - 88	5,000
1888 - 89	5,500
Total for the 7 years	56000 (A)

(A) Note The total of the details amounts only to Rs 39800.

Against this amount the District Board have spent Rs 38712-9-5 × on the repairs of the Ferry roads in all the Taluks of the District.

×	Rs. A. P.
1882-83	1524-3-4
1883-84	10015-2-1
1884-85	12797-5-9
1885-86	8084-7-7
1886-87	1948-12-
1887-88	2407-12-
1888-89	1934-13-
	38712-9-5

Note
This is not relevant to the question now under consideration.

5. The net amount credited to the Local Fund Board during the period of 7 years in question is Rs 56,000 — 38712-9-5 or Rs 17287-6-7. But the District Board's claim to contribution rests also on the maintenance from Local Funds of the roads which contribute traffic to the Ferry Roads.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

President

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~~Chattram~~ Department

From

THE PRESIDENT District Board
TANJORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
L. & M. Dept.
Madras

Dated 13th
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Enclosures. Nil

Subject.

Reporting on the several points noticed in Official Memorandum No. 872/28-10-89, in re the construction of a bridge over the Kaduvayar ferry at Nagapatnam

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Tanjore District Board President's Office.
Vallam 9th August 1890.

No. 224

From,
J. Thomson Esq.
PRESIDENT District Board
TANJORE.

To
The Hon'ble J. H. Price
Chief Secretary to Government
Land M. Department
Madras

Sir,

With reference to Government Official Memorandum No. 238 dated 5th May 1890, I have the honor to furnish information on each of the points noticed therein:—

I. How many roads converge on the ferry in question? and of these are any maintained by the L. F. Board? and if so at what yearly cost to Local Funds since the commencement of the ferry?	I. There is only one road on the north of the Kaduvayar or Uppanar Ferry maintained by the Nagapatnam Municipal Council on the South side of

	of it there is a cart track about 5 miles in length going to Velangunni and this is not maintained by either the Local Fund Board or Municipality.
II. What grounds has the President for saying that prior to the establishment of the ferry the road [illegible] now maintained by the Municipality must have been made by Government? Did this road exist before the ferry was established?	2. The road has been measured in pymash (old survey) and from local enquiry it has been ascertained that it has been in existence long before 1871 the year in which the ferry was established. There is nothing to show that it was maintained by Government before 1871 nor that it was originally a made road.
III. What have been the total collections from the ferry in each year from its establishment? The President has only given the receipts since 1879 but the ferry appears to have been in existence since 1871.	3. No records are available to show distinctly what the collections of the Kaduvayar Ferry were from 1871 to 78 and in the absence of such statistics the receipts for the subsequent years alone were already reported.
IV. What has been the expenditure in each year by the Revenue Department upon the ferry since its commencement? The President has only given particulars since 1880	4. The information required is not available.

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III. What have been the total collections from the ferry in each year from its establishment? The President has only given the receipts since 1879 but the ferry appears to have been in existence since 1871.	3. No records are available to show distinctly what the collections of the Kaduwaya ferry were from 1871 to 78 and in the absence of such statistics the receipts for the subsequent years alone were already reported.
IV. What has been the expenditure in each year by the Revenue Department upon the ferry since its commencement? The President has only given particulars since 1880.	4. The information required is not available.

V. What is the proportion of the receipts of each ferry which is contributed to the District Board by the Revenue Department? Has the President been able to ascertain? If he is able to do so, the contribution on account of the ferry in question from its establishment for each year should be stated. It is observed that the President has shown the lump contribution only from 1882-83 and that the details amount to Rs 39,800 and not to Rs 56,000 as stated by him.

5. No rule or proportion appears to have been hitherto observed in fixing the contributions made to the District Board, the amount in each year having been estimated with reference to the balance under the Canal and Ferry fund taken as a whole for the District - vide also para 4 of this office letter No. 83 dated 13th March 1890. The annual contributions from 1882-83 making up Rs 56,000 are given in the margin. It is not known where Government got the figure Rs 39,800.

	Rs
1882-83	18,000
1883-84	6,000
1884-85	8,000
1885-86	8,000
1886-87	5,500
1887-88	5,000
1888-89	5,500
	56,000

Note
In Para 4 of the Pres.'s letter 83/13-3-90 the contribution for 1882-83 was given as Rs 1800 instead of Rs 18000. Hence the figure Rs 39,800.

VI. What is the net amount credited to Local Funds from the Uppanar ferry after deducting the expenditure (if any) incurred upon road leading to that ferry alone? Details should be given for each year since the establishment of the ferry. The President has already shown the net credit on account of all the ferries in the District, in particular which was not required.

6. As no expenditure was incurred all along from Local Funds on the road leading to the Kadirvaya ferry the whole amount realized must have formed the surplus made over to Local Funds.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt servant
Thomson
President

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From

The PRESIDENT District Board

TANJORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government L&M. Deptt. Madras.

Dated 9th
Despd. 9th August 1890
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Enclosures. Nil

Subject.

Furnishing the information called for in Official Memorandum No. 238/5-5-90 regarding the Kadimanyar Ferry at Negapatam.

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Note for C.S.

It seems impossible to do anything upon the information supplied by the Prest. Dist. Bd. Tanjore in reply to O.M. 872/28/10/89. That furnished is incomplete & incorrect. I submit a fresh O.M. which I think the Prest. cannot fail to understand & it will issue if approved by the Chief Secretary.

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The information given in the ~~President's~~ letter of the President Tanjore Dist. Bd. no 83 d/ 13 Mar '90 is insufficient & he is requested to send full replies to the following questions at the very earliest date.

(1) How many roads converge upon the ferry in question & of these are any maintained by the Local Fund Board? and if so at what yearly cost ever since the commencement of the ferry

(2) What grounds has the President for saying that prior to the establishment of the ferry the road thither now maintained by the Municipality must have been made by Bd.? Did this road exist before the ferry was established?

3) ~~What~~ What have been the total collections from the ferry in each year from its establishment? The Prest. has only given the receipts since 1879, but the ferry appears to have been in existence since 1871.

(4) What has been the expenditure in each year by the Revenue Dept. upon the ferry since its commencement? The Prest. has only given particulars since 1880.

(5) What is the proportion of the receipts of each ferry which is contributed to the District Bd. by the Revenue Dept.? This the Presᵗ should be able to ascertain. If he is able to do so the contribution on account of the ferry in question from its establishment for each year should be stated. It is observed that the President has ~~only~~ shown the lump contribution only from 1882-83 & that the details amount to R 39,800 & not to R 56000 as stated by him.

(6) What is the net amount credited to ~~the Dist.~~ Local Funds from the Uppanar ferry after deducting ~~thereupon~~ the expenditure incurred (if any) upon roads leading to that ferry alone? Details should be given for each year since the establishment of the ferry. The Presᵗ has already shown the net credit on account of all the ferries in the district, a particular which was not ~~wanted~~ required.

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F.M. No 238 / 5-5-90

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read again G.O. d/20ᵗʰ May 1889 No 624 M and 15ᵗʰ August 1889 No 1032 M

& Current Nos 3871 L and 2842 M of 1889 and 1004 L + 2990 L of 1890.

From

in G.O. d/20ᵗʰ May 1889 No 624 M.

FOR ORDERS.

With his letter dated 6ᵗʰ September 1888 No 551, the Chairman of the Municipal council, Negapatam, forwarded a memorial from the inhabitants of that town praying for the construction of a bridge in lieu of the existing ferry over the Uppanar. The Taluk Board agreed with the Municipal council in regard to the necessity for the bridge, but declined to bear any portion of the cost of the work, as it would entirely benefit the towns people. The Municipal Council suggested that the bridge should be constructed from Provincial funds, as a large revenue had been realized from the ferry. The Government, however, observed that no portion of the cost of the proposed bridge should fall on Provincial or Local Funds, but that it should be met wholly from Municipal funds and that the Public Works Department would be asked to prepare the estimate, if the Council still desired its construction — Vide G. O. dated 20th May 1889 No. 624 M.

2. The Council then pointed ou that the net receipts from the ferry should be paid to it in preference to the District Board, in as much as the roads leading to the ferry have been made and are being maintaine from Municipal and not from Local Funds. The Council therefor requested that the whole or at least two thirds of the ferry collections made over to the District Board from the commencement should be transferred to it. On this the claim was referred to the District Board, with the remark that Local Funds have no absolute claim

to ferry rents, and the Collector was asked to ascertain from the Superintending Engineer the approximate cost of constructing the proposed bridge - Vide G.O. dated 15th August 1889 No 1032 M.

3. The District Board thereupon agreed to pay the Council Rs 2500 being a moiety of the savings which accrued during the previous 5 years from the contributions made to the Board from the Canal and Ferry Fund and also an annual contribution of Rs 500 for 5 years on condition of the Council agreeing to complete the bridge within this period. On this, the President of the

the District Board was reque

to state whether the roads

leading to the ferry in question have been constructed or maintained by the Local Fund Board or by the Municipal Council and to submit a statement showing the collecti

of the ferry from the commencement - Vide O.M. No 872 dated 28th October 1889 on current No 3871 L.

4. The information now furnished by the President of the District Board in reply to the O.M. above referred to is incomplete and incorrect. He states that the road

leading to the ferry in question which is about 476 yards in length must have been made by Government prior to the establishment of the Municipality and that it is now maintained from Municipal funds. The total collections from the ferry are not given from its commencement (1871), but those from 1879-89 are given as Rs 20,729-14-", the total expenditure incurred thereon by the Revenue Department, apparently during this period, is shown as Rs 753-8-", the total contribution paid to the Local Fund Board in lump for the whole District without reference to each ferry from 1882-83 is shown as Rs 56,000, while the details given amount to only Rs 39,800, and the total amount spent by the Board from that year on the repair of ferry roads in all the Taluks is shown as Rs 38,712-9-5, the net amount credited to Local Funds being thus Rs 17,287-6-7. The President further states that the District Board's claim to contribution rests also on the maintenance from Local Funds of the roads which contribute traffic to the ferry roads. The total receipts from all the ferries in the District from the commencement have not been reported; but from the

Collector's letter in G.O. dated 20th May 1889 No. 624 M, it appears that an annual contribution of not less than Rs 5000 is usually paid to Local Funds from the Canal and Ferry Fund, leaving only a small balance to the credit of the latter Fund and that the total collections at the ferry in question from its commencement up to 1889 amounted to Rs 35610 – (Rs 33480 given in para 5 of the Collector's letter & Rs 2130 for 1889 given in para 2 of current No. 1004 L). From current No. 2842 M it will be seen that the cost of constructing the bridge in question, is estimated at Rs 40675.

5. In this connection attention

is solicited to para 2 of His Excellency the Governor's 9th Tour Minute and to the Honorable Member's remarks on the note for orders in G.O. dated 23rd December 1889 No. 3003 A L.

6. Cur. No. 2990 L furnishes the further information called for in O.M. d/ 5th May/90. No. 238.

V.A. [illegible]

It was decided in G.O. 20th May 1889. No. 624, & on the clearest grounds, that if the bridge is to be built, the Municipal Council must build it & bear the whole cost.

The cost is now estimated at Rs. 40,675 – a sum wh. the Council could not raise except by means of a loan, unless they receive an addition to their resources.

That the ferry is an important one is proved by the fact that its receipts have aggregated Rs. 20,729-14-0 in the years 1879–1889, i.e. an average of Rs. 1884 per annum; the receipts during the last 4 years have averaged Rs. 2121 per annum.

If a bridge replaces the ferry, the ferry fees will cease & it will be open to the Council to put a toll on the bridge. But the Council claims to receive the whole or at least two-third of the ferry collections wh. have been made over to the Dt. Board in past years should now be made over to it.

On the face of it this demand seems inadmissible Even tho' it is a fact that the only road leading to the bridge is maintained by the Municipal Council, the ferry receipts have been given to the Local Fun

Bd. for expenditure on the other roads of the taluk &c. It is clearly impossible now to order a refund of Rs. 20000 or more. The Municipal Council should have found out & preferred its claim before. Retrospective effect cannot be given to it.

If this view is accepted, there is no other course but to tell the Council that ~~the~~ its claim to a refund of past payments fr. the Ferry Fund can't be ~~accepted~~ allowed, but that there is no objection to its building a bridge over the Ferry if it can show that the receipts fr. a toll to be placed on it wd. be suff. to meet interest & liquidate principle of the cost of building in 20 years.

If the matter is put before it in this light the Council proby. will not care to go in for the bridge. If it persists, however, the question of lending the funds fr. Provl. mt. be considered.

It is possible that the Council may say that it cannot build the bridge just yet but that it will do so in a few years if the ferry collections meantime are made over to it. The Council certainly seems to have the best claim to the ferry fees as it maintains the only road leading to the ferry. Should it take this line, it will be best perhaps to direct that the actual receipts of the ferry shall be allowed to accumulate till the bridge can be undertaken.

ALf 28 Aug. [illegible] 29 Augt.

FOR ORDERS.

No [illegible]

Yes - ~~and that~~ if they can show this & want to borrow the money the ~~[illegible]~~ the Govt. will lend it & let them have the whole of the ferry-rents to help to pay it off with. [illegible]

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This wd. be bad policy - it wd. be waiting see so many years - By lending the money at once to build the bridge the public get the advantage of it during the series of years during wh: the tolls are paying off the cost instead of the ~~[illegible]~~ ferry-rents accumulating to build it at the end of that series - [illegible]

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Order D/16.9.90 No. 1364 M.

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On a careful consideration of the papers read above, H.E. the Governor in Council is not prepared to admit the claim of the Negapatam Municipal Council to receive the whole or ~~[illegible]~~ two-thirds of the Uppanar ferry collections w[…] have been made over to the District Board in past years. ~~The [illegible] should have found out and preferred its claim on a previous time~~ No retro-
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(From orders)

ALf. 10 Sept. [illegible] 12 Sept.

To The Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam thro' the Collector of Tanjore
" President, Distt Board, Tanjore
" Collector of Tanjore
" Public Works Departt
" Financial Departt
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(From orders)

Alf. 10 Sept.

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To
The Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam
thro' the Collector of Tanjore
" President, Distt Board, Tanjore
" Collector of Tanjore
" Public Works Departt
" Financial Departt
" Revenue Departt

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