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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1438 Press Mis.

216-217.

Dated 22-10- 1872.

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No. 216. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th June 1872, No. 1007 :—

Read the following letter from R. J. MELVILLE, Esq., Acting Collector of Vizagapatam, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd May 1872, No. 503 :—

I HAVE the honour to reply to Government Order, F. D., dated 16th instant, No. 633, copy of which was sent to me direct.

2. Referring to paragraph 2, I beg to state that the actual Local Fund balance of the Vizagapatam Circle, on the 31st March 1872, amounted to Rupees 2,758. The balance of Rupees 24,282 is not an actual cash balance, but the difference between the collections and the adjusted expenditure as per *plus* and *minus* memorandum of the Treasury Accounts. The Board will therefore see how impossible it is to pay Rupees 8,047-0-10 due on account of the road from Vizianagram to Chipurpilli from the Local Funds balance of the Vizagapatam Circle.

3. In reference to the other three items belonging to the Nursipatam Circle viz. :—

1. Road from Ankapilli to Chodavaram.
2. ,, from Ankapilli to Pudimadaka.
3. ,, from Tallapalam to Nursipatam.

I beg to explain that of the sum of Rupees 14,500 referred to, Rupees 6,500 sanctioned in Board's Proceedings, dated 7th July 1871, were paid towards the compensation due for Item No. 2, previous to the despatch of my letter of the 28th July last, and the net amount due on this item only entered in Statement No. II. The compensation due will therefore stand as follows:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
For No. 1	5,892	3	1
,, 2	17,544	7	8
,, 4	1,018	0	9
Total...	24,454	11	6

4. None of the works in this Circle can be postponed, and the allotments for them are so small, that no transfers can be proposed. Portions of the compensation having been already paid, it would be difficult to arrange for any annual compensation. Neither are there funds from which to arrange for this. The advance from Imperial Funds as suggested by the Board, is the best method of paying off these long standing sums.

5. In reference to paragraph 4, I beg to state that the land taken up for the Trunk line was occupied on two occasions. The portion from Tuni to Chittivalsa was taken up in 1868. Orders having been issued by the Superintending Engineer to the Executive Engineer "to proceed at once with the new works for completing the Trunk Road from Tuni to Chittivalsa for rapid wheel traffic" that officer applied for the land along the line to the Collector, by whom orders were issued accordingly. The land was made over to the Department of Public Works, and statements of the same sent in to this office for compensation. I am not aware of any sanction for this road.

6. The other portion between Chittivalsa and Chicacole is for the new line sanctioned in G. O., No. 1,628 of 1857, and was partly taken up in 1865 without reference to this office, but this course of procedure was put a stop to in 1867, and all land after that date was acquired through the Revenue Department upon amicable arrangements, and according to the market value, which in the majority of cases, comes to twenty years' purchase.

7. I do not believe that the Public Works Department have submitted estimates for the compensation, for when the Superintending Engineer was asked for the amount in March 1871, he replied that "until funds were allotted and estimates sanctioned, no payment could be made," and hence the application to the Board.

8. The Collector's statements recorded in G. O., dated 23rd June 1870, No. 1,523, did not include the lands now reported upon. They referred solely to compensation due to Inamdars on certain famine roads constructed in 1854. The amount due to the Zemindars having been deducted from their peishcush, an annual compensation has hitherto been paid to the Inamdars. The amount entered in the second Statement* as payable from Local Funds was paid under orders of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th July 1870. These lands were taken up by the Department of Public Works by whom the compensation is due.

* Recorded in G. O., 23rd June 1870, No. 1,523.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to Government Order, 6th May 1872, No. 633, F. D.

2. In the Vizagapatam Circle Rupees 8,047 is required to pay for lands taken up in the road from Vizianagaram to Chipurpilli. The year has opened with an unexpected balance of Rupees 2,758 and there is a reserve of Rupees 13,150. Hence the amount may be safely paid out of the Reserve and the Board resolve to request the Accountant-General to place it at the disposal of the Public Works Department for this purpose.

3. Of the remainder of the sum of Rupees 40,502 reported to be due from Local Funds in the Collector's previous letter it appears that Rupees 24,455 are still due in the Nursipatam Circle. The Road Fund Reserve in this Circle is only Rupees 4,830 and the Balance Rupees 790, and as the year opens with a deficit, the sum available from these sources will be very small. The portion of the Road Fund income available after providing for maintenance, etc., and allotted to new works in the budget is Rupees 19,500. The allotments are few and small and ought not to be reduced. It is impossible therefore to pay the Rupees 24,455 required for compensation. The Collector states that "portions of the compensation having been already paid, it would be difficult to arrange for any annual compensation. Neither are there funds to arrange for this." Nevertheless, if Government are unable to advance the amount at present the annual compensation for 1871-72 and 1872-73 must be arranged and paid to prevent the charge from accumulating and the landholders from sueing for the sums due to them.

4. There can be no doubt but what Provincial Funds are liable for the Rupees 86,915 required for land taken up by roads whilst they were classed as Imperial, and it seems clear to the Board that if this compensation cannot be paid once for all Provincial Funds and not Local Funds should provide the *annual* compensation which is required until it is paid.

5. From Government Order, 17th May 1872, No. 145, P. W. D., it appears that the balance of the Reserve in the Provincial Budget will not admit of the grant of Rupees 23,682 "(payment of which was ordered in June 1870) being made." The Board submit that the payment of debts acknowledged to be due by Government ought to take precedence of other demands.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 217. ORDER THEREON, 22nd October 1872, No. 1438.

The Government sanction the immediate payment from Provincial Funds of the amount, Rupees 23,628, due as compensation to Inamdars for land taken up for the four roads noted in the margin. The Collector will take the necessary steps for its disbursement.

Palconda to Parvatipur.
Ankapilli to Vizagapatam.
Vizagapatam to Vemalavalsa.
Subbavarum to Chittavalsa.

2. Before passing orders regarding the claim for Rupees 63,233 for land taken up for the Great Northern Road, the Government will await the receipt of the information called for in G. O. dated 27th September 1872, No. 1285. The Collector of Vizagapatam will mention whether the land for which compensation is now claimed was taken up for portions of the road which appear in Columns 2, 3, or 4 of the tabular statement called for in the G. O. above quoted.

3. The Government gather from the papers submitted that the roads referred to in paragraph 3 of the Collector's letter No. 503, dated 22nd May 1872,* were made from the District Road Fund (Local) before the Local Funds' Act of 1871 was passed. If this supposition be correct they see no reason for making any advance from Provincial Funds for the purpose of paying the compensation due for land taken up for these roads. The Local Fund Board must make some arrangement, as directed in the latter part of paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings.

* Ankapilli to Chodavaram.
Do. to Pudimadaka.
Tallapalum to Nursipatam.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue, with five original statements.
,, Collector of Vizagapatam.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of 1872 Works.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE, &c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 22nd.

Rd. No. 976 773.

Encl.

1 G. O., 22nd October 1872, No. 1438.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 216-217.

Sanctioning the immediate payment from Provincial Funds of the amount, Rupees 23,698, due as compensation to Inamdars for land taken up for four roads named, in the Vizagapatam District, and passing certain orders regarding the claim for Rupees 63,553 for land taken up for the Great Northern Road.

No. 1041.-

Official Memorandum

With reference to his Memorandum, dated 25th July 1872, No 199, the undersigned has the honor to forward to the Under Secretary to Government, Financial Department, the original statements therein called for, with the exception of the one which formed an enclosure to the letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam dated 27th November 1871, No 213, as this was forwarded to Government with Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings dated 13th March 1872, No 1929, and was not returned with the Government Order dated 3rd April 1872, No 398, disposing of the subject.

2. It is requested that these statements may be returned when no longer required.-

3. Statements being enclosures to letter from Vizagapatam 28th July 1871, No 727.

2. Do. Do. 21st April 1870, No 266.

Revenue Board Office
Madras 5th August 1872

(By Order)
H. Stokes
Ag Sub Secretary

To The Chief Secretary to
Government
Financial Dept.
with 5 statements to be returned

V. Lewis Locker
Esq Vizagapatam

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ Proc. of the Board of Revenue, dated 15 June 1872, No. 1007.

Order thereon. & Cotad 22 Oct. 1872 No. 1438.

The Government sanction the immediate payment from Provincial funds of the amount of Rs. 23,628, due as Compensation for Land taken up for the following roads noted in the margin. The Collector will take the necessary steps for its disbursement.

Valanda to Parvatipur
Anakapilli to Vizagapatam
Vizagapatam to Venalavalsa
Sabbavaram to Chittavalsa

2. Before passing orders regarding the claim for Rs. 63,233. for land taken up for the Great Northern Road, the Govt. will await the receipt of the information called for in G. O. dated 27 Sept. 1872 No. 1283. The Collector of Vizagapatam will

Fin. Dept.
Proc. Revenue

From,
The Off. Secretary
to the Board of Revenue
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Financial Dept.
No. 1638
Dated 5th August 1872
Read 6
Reply

Ans. 12 Nov. 1872.
Re Cost of
Surveying certain
original Communica-
tion Relative to
Vizagapatam Dist.
requesting that they
may be returned

Fin. Dept. Proc. 26 Nov. 1872 No. 2

will mention whether the land for which Compensation is now claimed, was taken up for portions of the road which appear in Columns 2, 3, or 4 of the tabular statement called for in the G. O. above quoted.

3. The Govt. gather from the papers submitted, that the roads referred to in para 3 of the Collector's Letter No 503, dated 22d May 1872, were made from the District Road fund (Local) before the Local Funds Act (1871) was passed. If this supposition be correct, they see no reason for making any advance from Provincial Funds for the purpose of paying the Compensation due for land taken up for these roads. The Local Fund Board must make some arrangement

Anakapilli to Chodavaram
do to Yedumadaka
Tallapalum to Municipalam

Financial Department

Memorandum for Orders.

I should like to know whether the land for which compensation is now claimed is the compensation I would mention that a trunk line is as a trunk line abandoned.

H. A.

Compensation amounting to Rupees 86,915 is claimed for lands taken up for 6 roads in the Vizagapatam District which have until recently been classed as Imperial.

2. Compensation in respect of four of these roads, viz. Rs 23,682 has been admitted by Govt. but never paid owing to want of funds.

3. The difference, or Rs 63,233, is for land taken up for the trunk road right through the Vizagapatam District. One portion of this

this (from Tuni to Chittivalsa) was taken up in 1868 at the instance of the Superintending Engineer, but the road itself does not appear ever to have been sanctioned. The other portion (from Chittivalsa to Chicacole) was sanctioned in 1857, but in neither case were estimates submitted for compensation for the land.

4. The question for decision is, how is this money to be paid?

5. The Board of Revenue consider that the Rupees 86,915 should be paid from Provincial funds, and that if it cannot be paid at once, Provincial funds and not Local funds should provide for the annual compensation until the whole sum is paid.

6. Besides the above, Rs 24,455 are due in the Masulipatam Circle for road compensation, and there are no Local funds available to pay this sum. The Board consider that if Government are unable to advance this amount, the Local Fund Board must arrange for the payment of the annual compensation for 1871-72, and 1872-73 as best they can.

Sd

Memo, regarding compensation due for lands taken up for cantonment roads in Vizagapatam

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Pmr. allotment.
Vizagapatam - 19,530
Nellore - 15,160

How much of road made?

Financial Department

Memorandum.

With reference to the Honorable Mr. Arbuthnot's remarks on Mr. McWatters' Memo: for Orders regarding the claims for compensation for land taken up for roads in Vizagapatam. I presume that the question of the payment of Rs 63,233 for land taken up for the Great Northern Trunk road, must await the receipt of the information already called for with reference to that road.

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2. There is, however, another sum of Rs 23,682 payable to Inamdars for the four roads noted in the margin. The payment was sanctioned between February 1869, and June 1870, but no funds being available, the annual compensation alone has been paid. The Board of Revenue think the full amount should be paid at once or that the annual compensation at any rate should be paid from Provincial Funds.

Palconda to Parvatipore
Anakapilli to Vizagapatam
Vizagapatam to Vemalavalsa.
Subbavaram to Chittavalsa.

3. Orders are also required with reference to the latter part of para 3 of the Board's proceedings dated 15th June 1872, No 1007. The Board appear to think that it would be advisable for Government to advance Rs 24,455 due for compensation in the Narsapatam Circle. If Government cannot do this the Local Fund Board must make some arrangement for the payment of annual compensation.

H.

I think the Rs. 23682 Rs. Las been admitted had better be paid at once. This Las nothing 2 do 2 it the Trunk road

Gen 20 March

Gen 20 March for Govt. lending money 2 clear the Narsapatam L.F. from debt for roads Rs. 24,455 Inamdars time made from the Govt. Fund (local) before the Local Fd. act was passed. The G.R.F. has

Insf. with the accompanying
Statement shewing the
Certain Duties thereon
Superintendent is correct
Which sum is to be credited
Receiver Stat: No. II
of 20. July 71.
S. Off. Jr

A.

Mr Thurnall

arrangement as directed
in the latter part of para
3 of the Boards Proceedings

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The Board of Revenue
Collector of Magistrates
Accountant General

with 5 original Statements
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Govt. of {1872} Madras.

Financial

To

The Board of Revenue.

Dated Oct. 22. } 1872, No. 1438.
Recd.

F. No. 976 of 72

Nos. 216. 217.

Sanctioning the immediate payment from Prov. Funds of the Amount Rs. 23628, due as compensation to Inamdars for land taken up for four roads named, in the Vizagapatam Dt, and passing certain orders regarding the claim for Rs. 65233 for land taken up for the great Northern Road.

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