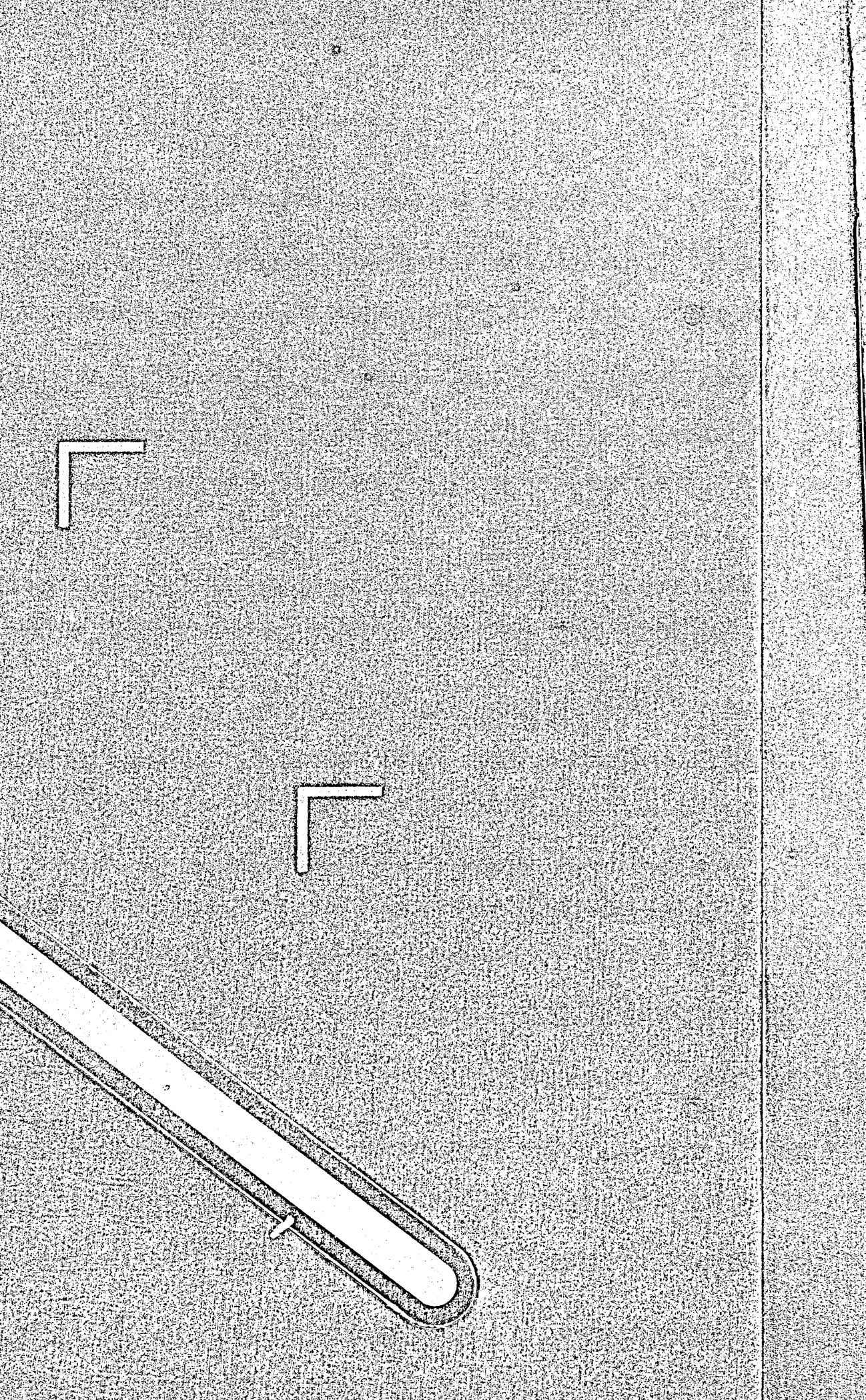


M.R.O. 1—77,006—8-6-37.

(1) Number of pages _____

(2) Date of repair _____

(3) Initials of the Referencer _____

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Finance DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 283 Press / Mis.

99-100.

Dated 11-3- 1872.

7/8

99-100

Not to be folded or roughly handled

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
11th March 1872.

No. 99. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th January 1872:—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector and President of the Local Fund Boards, Godavery District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 16th January 1872, No. 3:—

I have the honour to submit, for the favourable consideration and orders of the Board of Revenue, a letter from the Vice-President of the Rajahmundry Circle, No. 1, dated 11th instant. His proposals are—

1*st.*—To make grants-in-aid, to the amount of Rupees 5,000, to several villages in the Circle, for repairing the tanks used exclusively for drinking purposes.

2*nd.*—To make a grant of Rupees 10,000 for the excavation of wells in villages where scarcity of water is severely felt.

3*rd.*—To expend Rupees 3,000 in improving and repairing the village roads. This expenditure has a double object in view, viz., providing drinking water for man and beast in a year of scarcity like the present, and of providing labour for the poorer classes, who have more or less suffered from the failure of their crops. The works will be executed and accounted for under the superintendence of the Revenue Officers.

2. The grant of the loan of Rupees 10,200 requested in the letter has been agreed to by the Local Fund Board of the Cocanada Circle at a meeting held yesterday.

3. The remainder of the expenditure will be met from the increased provision sanctioned by the Board of Revenue under Grant III., and from the unexpended balance of the Reserve. Early orders are requested on the subject, so that the works may be put in hand with as little delay as possible.

From the Vice-President of the Local Fund Board, Rajahmundry Circle, to the President of the Local Fund Boards, Godavery District, dated Rajahmundry, 11th January 1872, No. 1.

I have the honour to forward an extract from the Proceedings of the Rajahmundry Local Fund Board, and to request that you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of the Board of Revenue and of the Cocanada Board for the following arrangements.

2. Rupees 5,000 have been allotted for grants-in-aid to villagers in repairing their drinking water tanks; of this 1,765 Rupees* are available—*vide* item 19 of the Budget II-A of 1871-72. Rupees 3,235 must be provided from the General Reserve and balance of Rupees 6,040, for which sanction is requested.

* *Vide* also Sub-Collector's letter, No. 200, dated 12th October 1871, to the Collector.

3. A great many villages in this division are unprovided with wells, and are wholly dependent upon these village tanks for drinking water for men and cattle. In many more villages the requirements of the people may be met from wells; but, the water being insufficient for cattle, they have to be driven long distances to the Godavery, or to the canals, or to the beds of rivers where water can only be had by excavating. The cost in each village of repairing the existing tanks will not exceed from Rupees 200 to 400, or at most 500, and I do not propose to give more than half as a grant-in-aid. I have already ascertained that the people of many villages will be glad to avail themselves of such an opportunity for putting their village tanks in good repair.

4. Rupees 10,000 have been allotted for digging wells in various villages in Yernagudem, Rajahmundry, and Peddapur Taluqs. The repairs of the tanks alluded to in the last paragraph, it is evident, will not help the people in the present season, in which want of water for drinking purposes is likely to be severely felt in certain parts of this division. I have selected six villages

in Yernagudem Taluq which are at such a distance from the nearest certain supply of drinking water that a well would be of very great use to them, and so situated that each well will be within such a distace as is practicable to several other villages also unprovided with wells; and I think it probable that places similarly circumstanced will be found in Peddapur and Rajahmundry Taluqs. The wells in those villages, which are situated on high lands, are expensive. I estimate the cost of each at Rupees 800 on the average. The depth will vary from twenty-five to thirty-five yards, and the whole will have to be lined with brick work or stones; but the benefit to the village itself and those in its neighbourhood, in a season like this, will be great. Of the amount, Rupees 10,000, the Reserve of this Circle will supply Rupees 2,800; and the remainder, Rupees 7,200, we request that the Cocanada Board will advance, to be repaid next year.

5. We also request an advance on the same terms of Rupees 3,000, to be expended, if required, by the Tahsildars of Yernagudem, Peddapur, and Rajahmundry, in repairing and improving the village roads. These may be much improved by small sums judiciously expended on the most difficult portions, but the object of this grant is mainly to enable the Tahsildars to provide labour in case of necessity in any village during the coming dry season.

6. The sanction of the Board of Revenue is also requested for the expenditure of these sums.

The President will be authorized by telegram to commence expenditure in the manner proposed, but the question whether the Cocanada Circle may advance Rupees 10,200 to the Rajahmundry Circle will be referred for the orders of Government.

2. The Act does not contemplate, but it does not forbid, loans of this kind, and the poverty of the Rajahmundry Circle, compared with the Cocanada Circle, makes such a loan proper and even necessary in circumstances like the present.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 100. ORDER THEREON, 11th March 1872, No. 283.

The Government are averse from sanctioning loans of this description, unless it can be clearly shown that the proposal comes within the spirit of Section 27, Act IV. of 1871, Madras; and it is moreover observed that, if funds are required for relief works, they will be furnished by Government.

2. It is, however, not impossible that the loan desired in the present instance would practically be adjusted on the re-arrangement of the Circles which will be shortly finally sanctioned; and, if so, or so far as this may be the case, the Government will not object to the advance.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Public Works Department.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

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

Dated March, 11*th.*

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 11*th March* 1872; *No.* 283.

MARCH.
Nos. 99-100.

Passing orders on the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, referring for decision the question whether the Cocanada Local Fund Circle may advance a loan to the Rajahmundry Circle on account of relief works.

c/s.
Gall: Dept 24/1/72 No 99

Transl. 1872 Despatches

(13)

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 24th January 1872
Desp'd. 24 —"—"
Rec'd. 26—
ens

No 124

For Orders
suspend circulation
W. Arbuthnot

Referring for orders of Govt. question whether Cocanada Circle may advance Rs. 10,200 to Rajahmundry Circle

P70

c/26/1
R29a
R8/3

Gall. Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MARDAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ Pros.

of the Board of Revenue, D/24. Jany. 72, No

Order thereon. 11 March/72 No 283.

The Govt are averse from sanctioning loans of this description unless it can be clearly shown that the proposal comes within the Spirit of Sec. 27. Act 4 of 71, Madras, and it is moreover observed that, if funds are required for relief works, they will be furnished by Govt.

2 It is, however, not impossible that the loan desired in the present instance

instance would practically
be adjusted on the re-
arrangement of the Circles
which ~~has been finally~~ with probably be (?)
sanctioned, and if, or so-
for as this may be the
case, the Govt. will not
object to the advance.

L.H.

Board of Revenue. 111
Revenue Deptt 11
Public Works Deptt 12
Accountt General. 6

dispo 1/3

Revenue 6 P.C. 21/2
no 6

Dear Mr. Anderson

This paper came to me a few days ago. It is said to have been taken into Council as suggested by Mr. Abercrombie but there is no note of the decision.

J. H. Attorney

It was decided that the money must be given from General Funds - if required in current of this Quarter.

Govt. of {1872} Appointments.

To Executive Council

Dated Nov. 11 } 1872, No. 283
Read }

Nos. 99 - 107.

Passing relative to the Revd. [illegible] Coroners, before which an election to the Justices with the Coroners will be held. Circular was addressed to Clerk of the Peace, Coroner or Secretary of Local Boards

W. P.

Amended in writing

Sent to Mr. Peters

05/3.
P&C

