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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 3rd February 1873.

Read the following letter from H. E. SULLIVAN, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, South Arcot District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 6th January 1873, No. 2:—

I HAVE the honour to forward for sanction two emergent estimates as per margin, and to request that the Revenue Board will be pleased to transfer under Clause 11 of Rule XXX. of Local Fund Rules Rs. 5,000 for the former work from the allotment of Rs. 10,000 made this year for the road between Merkanum and Pondicherry. For the second road the Local Board have allotted a sum of Rupees 2,000 from the Reserve of the current year. These two roads have been heavily breached in many places by the recent rains and require immediate attention, especially the former, as salt sales at Merkanum will be materially affected by the bad condition of the road. The Range Officer is pushing on the work in anticipation of the Board's sanction.

	RS.
1. Closing breaches and repairing damages on the road from Tindevanum to Merkanum	5,000
2. Do. do. on the road from Tindevanum to Pondicherry *via* Kilianoo...	2,000

2. Copies of the resolutions of the Local Board on the subject are enclosed for the Board's perusal.

3. In their Proceedings, dated 1st November 1872, No. 1,490, the Government made a special grant of Rupees 5,000 for the road from Pondicherry to Merkanum on the Local Board making an allotment of a similar amount. It is the transfer of this allotment to meet the emergency of the case for which sanction is now requested, and I avail myself of this opportunity to press upon the Board's notice the claims which the Merkanum-Tindevanum road has to a similar special grant. All the salt for the westward is conveyed over this road, and you, from your personal knowledge of the locality, will I think be able to corroborate the statement that $\frac{4}{5}$ths of the traffic on it is in connection with the salt monopoly. The heavy rains* during the past year have done such damage to the communications throughout the district that there will be difficulty in providing funds from local sources for the necessary repairs to existing roads, and some of the contemplated new works urgently needed though they be will have to be postponed. I trust therefore that if available some extra assistance may be given from Provincial Funds.

* Registered fall at Cuddalore 77·70 inches.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 and 2.—Estimates.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

	Rs.
Closing breaches and repairing damages on the road from Tindevanum to Merkanum...	5,000
Do. do. on the road from Tindevanum to Pondicherry *via* Kilianoor.	2,000
Total...	7,000

THE estimates, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 7,000, for the works noted in the margin are sanctioned.

2. The transfer of Rupees 5,000 for the first work from the allotment of 10,000 Rupees for the road between Merkanum and Pondicherry, and the allotment of Rupees 2,000 for the second work from the Road Fund Reserve, are also authorized. The Accountant-General is requested to place Rupees 2,000 at the disposal of the Public Works Department.

3. The Board support the President's application for a grant from Provincial Funds for the Merkanum and Tindevanum road similar to that given* for the road from Pondicherry to Merkanum, as he points out the impossibility of providing funds from local sources to repair the damages done to the existing roads by the late heavy rains.

Vide Board's Proceedings, dated 24th January 1873, No. 98.

* G. O., Financial Department, dated 1st November 1872, No. 1,490.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

J Grole
Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
,, the President of the Local Fund Boards, South Arcot District, with 2 estimates.
,, the District Engineer, South Arcot.
,, the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, the Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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PROCEEDINGS, 3RD FEBRUARY 1873, No. 147.

Read Proceedings 6th February 1873. Encl.

F. No 4110 of 1872.

Received 7th February 1873

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No. 147.

Roads—from Tindevanum to Merkanum, and from former place to Pondicherry in South Arcot District.—Estimates, amounting together to Rupees 7,000, for closing breaches and repairing damages on — sanctioned, and necessary allotment of funds made. Accountant-General requested to place Rupees 2,000 of this sum at disposal of Public Works Department; and Government requested to make a grant from Provincial Funds for Merkanum and Tindevanum road.

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To The Board of Revenue.

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Nos. 82. 83.

Sanctioning the grant from Road funds of Rs. 2500 or one half of the Estr. for repairing the damaged Lone to the Berhampur & Vizianagram Road. Subject &c.