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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
18th June 1873.

No. 131. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd June 1873, No. 914 :—

Read the following letter from J. B. PENNINGTON, Esq., President of the Local Fund Board, Trichinopoly, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 5th May 1873, No. 21 :—

I HAVE the honour to inform you that in 1863 or 1864 an estimate, amounting to Rupees 53,150,* was framed for metalling and gravelling the southern trunk road from Trichinopoly to Madura, a distance of 42 miles. This estimate was not sanctioned by Government till 1869. It appears from the Progress Report that the work in Kulitalai Taluq has been very nearly completed† according to the original estimate; but in the Trichinopoly Taluq, Captain Hasted, the then Superintending Engineer, informed me that "it was found, when the work was put in hand, that the contractors were unable to carry it out at the original rates, as metal had to be provided from greater distances than those allowed for in the original estimate, and, also, because the rates for some of the items in the estimates were found to be insufficient that the work consequently had to be stopped, and the estimate, revised for that portion only which lies within the first Range, amounted to no less than Rupees 53,030, or Rupees 19,710 in excess of the original estimate."

	Rs.
* Trichinopoly Taluq	33,320
Kulitalai Taluq	19,830
Total, ...	53,150

	Rs.
† Estimate	19,830
Actual expenditure...	19,333
Balance,	497

2. On receipt of this alarming communication, the Local Fund Board, finding themselves quite unable to incur so great an expenditure on one road, requested the District Engineer to forward an alternative estimate, providing for the repair of the worst portions only of the road and for the thorough repair of the road-dams, substituting culverts as far as possible.

3 The revised estimate, amounting to Rupees 27,000, has now been received, and I have the honour to submit‡ it for the sanction of Government.

‡ 4 Estimates and 4 plans.

4. In doing so, however, I beg to call particular attention to the enclosed extracts from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board on the subject, and I trust the Board of Revenue will see fit to urge upon Government the propriety of making a special allotment for the work; as it is evident that the road was handed over to the Local Fund Board in an almost ruined condition from continual neglect, and the funds of this Circle are ill able to afford to *re-make* 25 miles of what is practically an imperial road.

P.S.—There is a slight confusion in the Resolution dated 7th November 1872, as there was really no difference between the estimates of 1864 (or 1863?) and 1869. Rupees 33,320 having been *originally* proposed for the Trichinopoly Taluq *alone*.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

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ENCLOSURES Nos. 2 to 5.—Plans.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 6 to 9.—Estimates.

THE revised or alternative estimate for repairing the worst portion of the road from Trichinopoly to Madura, at a cost of Rupees 27,000, and the application of the Local Fund Board for a special allotment from Provincial Funds on account of the road will be submitted for the favourable consideration of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 132. ORDER THEREON, 18th June 1873, No. 852.

The estimate of Rupees 27,000 for repairing the Trunk Road from Trichinopoly to Madura, within the Trichinopoly Taluq, is sanctioned, and, in consideration of the circumstances set forth in the papers submitted, the Governor in Council resolves to accept one-half of the estimate, or Rupees 13,500, as a charge against Provincial, of which amount a moiety, or Rupees 6,750, will be transferred to the Department of Public Works in the current year 1873-74, and the Accountant-General will issue the necessary instructions.

2. The balance will be made available in 1874-75.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with enclosures returned.
" Accountant-General.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ Rpt.

of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd June 1873, No. 914.

Order thereon. Communicated 18 June 1873. No. 852

The Estimate of Rs 27,000 for repairing the Trunk Road from Trichinopoly to Madura within the Trichinopoly taluk is sanctioned, and in consideration of the circumstances set forth in the papers submitted, the Governor-in-Council resolves to accept one-half of the Estimate or Rs 13500 as

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To

The BOARD OF REVENUE, &c., &c.

Dated June, 1873.

Read.

G. O., 18th June 1873, No. 852.

JUNE.
Nos. 131-132.

Sanctioning an estimate, amounting to Rupees 27,000, for repairing the road from Trichinopoly to Madura, and a grant from Provincial Funds of half the amount, a moiety thereof being made available in this year and the balance in 1874-75.

as a charge against Provincial of which amount a moiety or Rs 6750 will be transferred to the A. P. W in the current year 1873/74 and the Accountant General will issue the necessary instructions.

2. The balance will be made available in 1874/75

The Board of Rev- with enclosure from Asst Secretary P W Department

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Govt. of {1873} Madras.

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To

The Board of Revenue

per

Dated June 18 }
Recd. } 1873, No. 852.

Nos. 131. 132.

Sanctioning an Estt. amtg. to Rs. 2700 for repairing the road from Trichy. to Madura & a grant from Provl. funds of half the amount, a moiety thereof being made available in this year & the balance in 1874-75.