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OCTOBER.

Levy of Tolls on the Vizagapatam Agency Roads.

Approving the proposals of the Agent to the Governor in Vizagapatam for the levy of tolls on some of the roads in the Vizagapatam Agency, and directing publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of certain notifications on the subject.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper:—

G.O., No. 1309, Judicial, dated 3rd October 1898.

Read—the following papers:—

From W. O. HORNE, Esq., Acting Agent to the Governor in Vizagapatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 22nd April 1898, R.C. No. 236.

With reference to G.Os., No. 1541, dated 20th July 1888, and No. 2091, dated 7th December 1889, I have the honour to report that, in my opinion, the time has come when the question of the levy of tolls on some of the roads in the Agency tracts of this district may fairly be reconsidered.

2. I have more than once, in submitting my budgets of Agency works and my reports of administration, brought to the notice of Government that, owing to the additional burden entailed by the maintenance of completed new works, and to the reduction of the contribution which was received from the Jeypore estate during the minority of the Maharaja, the customary provincial grant for the upkeep of Agency works, fixed by Government in its order, No. 1541, dated 20th July 1888, is inadequate to its purpose. The Maharaja last year raised his contribution to Rs. 10,000 in addition to which he has already contributed some Rs. 6,000 and will during the current year contribute more than Rs. 6,000 more towards the construction of the Rayaghada bridge. I have communicated to him the remarks of Government in paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 1538, dated 3rd November 1897, but, in view of the above demands on him, I do not think that any increased contribution can at present fairly be expected.

3. The programme of road construction, approved in G.O., No. 1720, dated 6th December 1897, is also, as I have reported in my letter, No. R.C. 1475, dated 2nd February 1898, blocked by the impossibility of devoting thereto any portion of the ordinary annual grant.

4. It is therefore necessary to look for some other source from which the funds available may be supplemented, and it appears to me that the levy of tolls, which has already had the full consideration of Government (*vide* G.Os., No. 1541, dated 20th July 1888, and No. 2091, dated 7th December 1889), may now again be considered.

5. Since, on Mr. Willock's recommendation, the proposal to levy tolls was allowed to stand over, matters have changed a good deal. The road from Sálúru to Jeypore *viâ* the Pottanghi ghât has been metalled throughout, while that *viâ* Rayaghada to the Central Provinces in the direction of Raipur is metalled to some little distance beyond Rayaghada and is thoroughly practicable for carts along its whole length, and a large and steady trade with the grain-producing districts of Jeypore and the Central Provinces has established itself and has become of much importance. This trade has long passed the stage when there is any danger of its being discouraged by so small a matter as a toll, and there is, I consider, no danger whatever in levying such.

6. I now therefore propose to legalise the levy of tolls on these two routes * * *

7. I propose to adhere to the principle that tolls should be levied only on roads which have been made reasonably fit for traffic. This is the case with the two routes proposed. The road from Sálúru to Jeypore and that from Párvatípuram to Raipur *viâ* Rayaghada carry all the through traffic to the Central Provinces and are traversed by carts throughout.

8. There is no difficulty in selecting sites which the traffic must pass, and those which I would propose are (1) Pottanghi—at the head of the Pottanghi and Tadivalsa ghâts—and (2) Rayaghada.

9. The road from Sálúru to Jeypore is now under the Public Works Department as far as Koraput, and I have proposed that that department should take it over as far as Jeypore, 14 miles further. If this is done, and if, as laid down by Government, the whole of the proceeds of the tolls are to be expended on the particular road on which they are levied, the tolls levied at Pottanghi will have to go to the Public Works Department and will enable a large proportion of the annual grant to that department for that road to be saved. I would propose therefore that, if this is to be done, the annual grant for Agency works may be raised by a sum equivalent to that saved from the grant to the Public Works Department. In any case I think the management of the tolls should be left to me.

10. Tolls are levied in the ordinary tracts of this district only at rates equivalent to half the maxima of the schedule attached to Act XV of 1864, and this scale would also therefore suffice for the Agency tolls. I would manage the tolls by renting them out.

Endt., No. 1460, Judicial.

Referred to the Public Works Department for favour of remarks.

(Signed) A. R. KNAPP,
Ag. Under Secretary.

4th July 1898.

Memorandum from the Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 29th August 1898, No. 888-D.

In returning the enclosures received with endorsement No. 1460, Judicial, dated 4th July 1898, the undersigned has the honour to state that the proposals of the Agent to the Governor, Vizagapatam, seem suitable and desirable and that the localities suggested for the toll-gates are reported by the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, to be proper ones.

(Signed) W. B. deWINTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Judicial Department.

Order—No. 1309, Judicial, dated 3rd October 1898.

Recorded, pending the receipt of the Agent's reply to G.O., No. 1546, dated 30th September 1898.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

Read—also the following paper:—

From W. O. HORNE, Esq., Agent to the Governor in Vizagapatam, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 6th August 1899, R.C. No. 236-Agency.

I have the honour to invite the attention of Government to my letter, R.C. No. 236, dated 22nd April 1898, on which no orders have been passed.

2. I now observe from G.O., No. 1134, dated 17th July 1899, that the Indian Tolls Act, VIII of 1851, has been extended to the Agency tracts of this district, and therefore all that is now necessary to legalise the collection of tolls therein is a notification by Government extending to the same tracts the amending Act XV of 1864 under section 3 of the said Act.

3. If Government approves of my proposal to levy tolls on the traffic, using the main metalled roads through the Agency, I request that the necessary notification may be published in time to legalise the establishment of toll-gates from 1st April 1900.

Order—No. 1624, Judicial, dated 7th October 1899.

The Agent's proposals in paragraphs 6 to 10 of his letter of the 22nd April 1898 meet with the approval of Government, and the following notifications will be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*:—

NOTIFICATION I.

In exercise of the power conferred by section 3 of the Indian Tolls Act, 1864 (XV of 1864), the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is pleased to extend the provisions of the said Act to the scheduled districts in Vizagapatam.

NOTIFICATION II.

In exercise of the power conferred by section 2 of the Indian Tolls Act, 1851 (VIII of 1851), the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is pleased to direct that, from and after 1st April 1900, toll-gates be opened at Pottanghi ghât and Rayaghada in the scheduled districts in Vizagapatam, and that tolls be levied on all carriages, carts and animals passing through the said gates at half the rates specified in the schedule annexed to the Indian Tolls Act, 1864 (XV of 1864).

(True Extract.)

for *Chief Secretary*.

To the Agent to the Governor in Vizagapatam.
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" Public Works Department.
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Exd. W. D'Moss.

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