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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 24th March 1857.

No. 49. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department, dated 19th March 1857, No. 503.

Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Judicial Department, dated 17th February 1857, No. 198.

Read the following letter from the Acting Agent in Ganjam.

Reports the continuance of quiet among the Sowrahs, the progress of the line of road to Goomah, and solicits aid in preparing the future estimates, proposes that the maintenance of the Gundasena's family should be a charge on the Gybah property. } (Here enter 24th January 1857, No. 40.)

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Para. 3. Copies of paras. 3 and 4 of the Acting Agent's letter will be forwarded to the Public Works Department, for early consideration.

Extract from a letter from the Acting Agent of Ganjam, dated 24th January 1857, No. 40.

Para. 3. The Company of Sappers have huttet themselves at Puddapoor, on the road to between the foot of the pass to Goomah and the town of Kimedy, and have begun to clear the Jungle. A line of road has been selected by Captain Campbell and Captain Rose, running along the high ground which I thought preferable to a more direct line across paddy cultivation, as being more easily made and less expensive. I am sorry to say the estimate is not yet ready. It was not till 22nd Ultimo, that I learnt from Major Birdwood that he could not spare an Officer for the purpose, and Captain Campbell has many other duties to attend to and cannot give his whole time to this work. His establishment too was not organized on the supposition that he was to have to make surveys and estimates, I have applied through the Court of Wards for the assistance of 2 Surveyors, &c. as if he is to have to estimate and survey all the new roads required, build the bridges, and do the ordinary repairs of the Talook, he will require a much larger staff than he now has.

4. To prevent further delay, I trust, I shall not be doing wrong if on the estimate being approved of by the Civil Engineer, I make an advance to Captain Rose to enable him to carry on the work expeditiously, and I would solicit the aid of another Officer to make the remaining estimates as the roads to Poondy and Nursanapetta require to have supplemental estimates made, and the line from Buttyly to Kimedy a most valuable road is still unsurveyed, while there are more ordinary repairs of tanks and water courses to be done than can be got through in this or next season by any one Officer.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Ordered that the extracts from the letter from the Acting Agent of Ganjam dated 24th January 1857, No. 40, received with the above, be referred to the Chief Engineer, with an expression of the opinion of Government that the opening out of the Kimedy country by roads is a most important work, one that has been approved by the Honorable the Court of Directors, and one which ought to be commenced at once and be vigorously carried on.

2. It is observed that the Government have already in Extract Minutes of Consultation, in the Judicial Department, dated 3rd June 1856, No. 590, directed that the roads proper to be opened should be commenced upon after the rains, in anticipation of sanction, and as a case of necessity, and they now resolve to enquire whether any and what operations have been commenced upon that order.

3. The Chief Engineer will observe from the Resolution of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 14th February 1857, No. 168, that an Establishment has been sanctioned at the expense of the Kimedy estate for the express purpose of opening out roads in that country.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 24th March 1857.

No. 50.

ORDER THEREON, No. 349; dated 24th March 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Agent of Ganjam with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, 9th February 1857, No. 198, para 3.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Why the action ceased of being in Dec. 27th