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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 28th April 1857.

No. 11. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department, dated 16th April 1857, No. 688.

Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 31st March 1857, No. 11403.

SIR,

1. In Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 917, dated 10th June 1856, forwarding Extract from a letter dated 23rd May 1856, from the Acting Agent to the Governor in Ganjam, on the subject of opening up the passes through the Kimedya Country, and pointing out the advantage of a road from Buttyly through the hills to Goomally, Byagudda, and down towards the sea, with branches from Gooma, Gybah, and from Byagudda to the plain, I was requested to report whether a Company, or any smaller party of Sappers and Miners could be made available for opening the roads and passes in Ganjam, as proposed, and to obtain Lieutenant Colonel Cotton's opinion as to the improvements of the kind most proper to be undertaken, and as to the best means to be taken for procuring labor.

2. In Extract from Proceedings No. 4135, dated 17th June 1856, the above order was communicated to Lieutenant Colonel Cotton for his opinion on the points specified; to Captain Orr, Civil Engineer Kistnah Division, to state whether the Company of Sappers and Miners employed under his orders, might not be transferred to the Ganjam District and to the Officer Commanding the Corps of Sappers and Miners, to report, whether a Company could not be spared from Head Quarters.

*Dated 19th June 1856.

† No. 23, dated 24th June 1856.

‡ No. 394 dated 24th June 1856.

3. Lieutenant Colonel Cotton's reply* was forwarded to Government with the Extract from Proceedings No. 4509, dated 1st July 1856, and the replies from Captains Orr† and Carpendale,‡ were forwarded with my letter, No. 4691, dated 7th July 1856, in which I recommended, that Captain Carpendale should be directed to form a Company at Head Quarters, of men who had not recently returned from Burmah, and that the Company should be detached to Ganjam after the rains, as recommended by Lieutenant Colonel Cotton.

4. In Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 1341, dated 4th August 1856, effect was ordered to be given to that recommendation, and the same was accordingly communicated to Captain Carpendale in Extract from Proceedings No. 5677, dated 12th August 1856.

*Nos. 193 and 194 dated 20th February.

5. With my letter No. 11053, dated 19th Instant, I submitted two reports* from Lieutenant Harrington on the progress that had been made on the road leading from Russelcondah to the port of the Coorminghia Ghaut, and detailing the further operations he considered it advisable to undertake, as far as he had yet had time, and opportunity of examining the roads and passes to the Kimedya Country.

*No. 40 dated 24th January 1857.

6. In the Extract from a letter* from the Acting Agent in Ganjam, communicated in Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 503 of the 19th Instant, it is stated, that the Company of Sappers now placed under the District Engineer by order of Government contained in Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 264, dated 5th February 1857, have huddled themselves at Puddapoor, "on the road to between the port of the pass to Goomah, and the town of Kimedya," and have begun to clear the jungle, and that a line 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."

7. The information contained in the several documents which have been noticed in this letter, is, I have the honor to state, all that it is in my power to give in reply to the enquiry made in para. 2 of Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 503, of the 19th Instant, as to whether any, and what operations have been commenced, upon the order contained in Extract Minutes of Consultation Judicial Department, dated 3rd June 1856, No. 590.

8. In conclusion, I beg to observe, that the Resolution of Government in the Revenue Department, No. 168, dated 14th February 1857, sanctioning an establishment, at the expense of the Kimedya Estate, for the express purpose of opening out roads in that country, together with Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 503 of the 9th Instant, will now be communicated to the Collector and District Engineer of Ganjam, and to the late District Engineer, Major Birdwood,

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for any suggestions that Officer may have to offer, on the question generally, of opening up the roads, and passes in the Ganjam District, in connexion with those in the Kimedya Country.

Ordered to be communicated to the Judicial Department, with reference to the order in that Department dated June 3rd 1856, No. 590, and in continuation of the orders in the Public Works Department of 9th and 15th July 1856, Nos. 1131 and 1180.

(A true Extract.)

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

No. 12.

ORDER THEREON, No. 462; dated 23rd April 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Acting Agent at Ganjam with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 24th March 1857, No. 349.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No 462

*Ordered to be communicated to the
Acting Agent at Ganjam with
reference to E. No. 6. 24 March 57
No 349.*

*Fort St. George, }
23rd April, 1857 }*

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Extract Mins. of Cons in 462
the Public Works Dept
No 658.

2/16th
21st April 1857.

No 648.
25th Jan 1858

Communicating for
information, copy of a letter
from the Chief Engineer re-
porting the measures adopted
by him for giving effect to
the proposals of the Acting
Agent in Ganjam on the
subject of opening up roads
and passes in the Kimer
Country.

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