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No. 27. Read the following letter from J. FRASER, Esq., Officiating Magistrate; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Cocanada, 19th October 1864, No. 330.

Dated 17th October 1864, No. 67.

I have the honor to forward copy of a letter,* which I have received from my Acting Head Assistant, regarding the road from the High Northern trunk line to Gokavaram, and the formation of which, at a cost not exceeding 500 Rupees a mile, was sanctioned by Government in their Proceedings noted marginally.

*Dated 18th July 1864, No. 1016.

2. I have consulted personally with Mr. Linton on the matter. He knows the country through which three routes would pass well, and I concur with him in recommending the second as the preferable one of the three. Before long the Kottapilli Sub-Magistrate's Head Quarters will be removed to the village of the same name.

3. In naming Rajahnagaram at first, as the point of divergence, I had no special object in view. Not knowing the country myself, and judging from the map only, I thought Rajahnagaram would be the best point of commencement for the new road, as being the nearest to Gokavaram. Now, however, that I am better informed, I beg to recommend the adoption of the second route mentioned by Mr. Linton. It will not cost more than 500 Rupees a mile.

From H. LINTON, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Magistrate; to J. FRASER, Esq., Officiating Magistrate of the Godavery District, dated Cocanada, 17th October 1864, No. 67.

Since the receipt of your letter No. 67, dated the 12th of August, informing me that the Government had sanctioned a line of road from Rajahnagaram to Gokavaram, to connect Rumpah with the low country, I have endeavoured to obtain every information as to the best route to be pursued, and now do myself the honor to report the result of my enquiries.

2. It will not, I think, be advisable to commence the proposed road at Rajahnagaram, since, owing to the large extent of low cultivated ground between that village and Doskayalapilli, it would be necessary to go as far as Murari before leaving the trunk road.

3. Three other lines seem to me to have their respective advantages :—

I. Starting from Devacheruvu (a hamlet between Rajahmundry and Rajahnagaram), and taking a direct line through Palacheruvu, Doskayalapilli, Jembuputnum, and so to Gokavaram.

II. From Rajahmundry through Madurapudi, Burugapudi and Jembuputnum.

III. From Rajahmundry through Kateru Wundaishwarum, Buchompetta and Korkonda.

4. Of these the first would undoubtedly be the least expensive, as the line would run almost altogether through scrub jungle growing on red sand; the second I am inclined especially to recommend as opening out a direct communication with Rajahmundry, the head quarters of the Police; this line would not be much longer than the first, since a road already exists in that direction for some two miles from Rajahmundry; the third line in addition to forming a direct communication between Rajahmundry and Rumpa would open out the country near Raghadavapuram, the head quarters of the Kottapilli Sub-Magistrate—the communication with which is intercepted by an Awa which it would be necessary to bridge over near Buchempeta.

5. Should you agree with me in thinking the line from Rajahnagaram impracticable, I request your instructions as to which of the other routes should be adopted.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. FRASER,
Officiating Magistrate.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 2nd November 1864, No. 1593.

In modification of the Order of the 8th July last, No. 1016, the Governor in Council approves of the Officiating Magistrate's proposal that the road to Gokavaram, in the Rumpah country, should be made direct from the town of Rajahmundry through Madurapudi, Burugapudi, and Jembuputnum.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Magistrate of the Godavery District.
" Public Works Department.

Bnd. R. H. Lee.

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read letter from the Magistrate of the Godavery District — Dated 19th Oct. 64 No. 330

Order — 2 Nov 64 — No 1593

In modification of the Order of the 8th July last No. 1016, the Governor in Council approves of the Officiating Magistrate's proposal that the road to Gokavaram in the Rumpah Country by proceeding direct from the town of Rajahmundry through Madurapudi, Burugapudi and Jembuputnum.

To the Magistrate of the Godavery District. } dated 2d
" Public Works Dept. }

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Dated 2 November 1864.

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