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8-8-96.

Local & Munl. (1895) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 2400 L.

DATED 11th Decr 1895.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Road.

Communicating to the Public Works Department papers on the question of opening a ---- from Kodaikanal to the Lower Palnis.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Local & Municipal Dept.
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From

The President,
District Board,
Madura.

23 NOV. 1895

To

The Chief Secy. to Govt.,
Local and Municipal
Department,
Madras.

Dated 21st } November 1895.
Received }

No. 136

Enclosures. 10 18 (Sent by packet post)

SUBJECT.

Forwarding, with reference to the Memorandum quoted, copy of the District Board's resolution No. 215/18-11-95 on the proposed Authur ghât road, with remarks.

(With order).

Current Nos. 1016, 2055, 2249 and 3471 L of 1895.

H.M
Misc

29/11/95

Order

No. 2400 Lm. 11-12-95

The President's letters, with their enclosures, read above will be communicated to the Public Works Department.

V.B 4/12/95

W.S 2/12/95

5.12.95.

To,
The Public Works Department with papers in original.
P (Cur nos 1016 & 2249), L (C; nos 2055 & 3471 L)
" President, District Board, Madura.

8 Enclosures in Cur nos 1016, 2055, 2249 and 3471 L

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Despd 12/12/95

~~I have the honor to be~~

~~Sir,~~

Your most obedient servant,

Preside

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the Supt^g Eng^r VI Circle No. 1375 M. D. d/ 20. 2. 95

do 1383 M. D. d/ 22. 2. 95

Local & Municipal Dep^t.

CURRENT No. 1016 L

Note by the Chief Engineer P. W. Dep^t:—

The trace as described by the Supt^g Engineer VI Circle leaves little to be desired and is not likely to be improved upon.

2. It will be seen that by this road the distance from Kodaikanal to Attur is 45 miles and the total cost of construction of the road to this point is estimated at Rs 4,04,536, but four miles must be added to the distance and Rs 10,000 to the cost, for a direct road from Attur to Ambatturai

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which is the nearest railway station, Dindigul and Ammayanayakanur being each about six miles further.

3. The question of whether the road should be constructed is purely a financial one, depending on what contribution the Government ~~are~~ is prepared to make towards the cost and whether the District Board will be prepared to contribute the balance; it seems questionable whether either authority would be prepared to contribute as much as half the cost.

4. So far as the development of the Lower

Palnis is concerned it will be sufficient to construct the road as far as its junction with Law's ghat leaving the improvement of the latter, which completes the communication with Kodaikanal, for execution at a future date, but this could only save something less than one fourth of the total cost, and if the work were once begun it would appear better to carry it out thoroughly.

5. The construction of a bridle path would probably cost about Rs 85,000; this as regards Kodaikanal would be of no use at all as it would not

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compete with the existing road by Periakulam which is only 43 miles in length, of which 31 are on a good cart road.

6. How far it would be of value for the Lower Pulneys is a question on which the District Board and the local Revenue officers are in a better position to form an opinion than I am.

(Sd.) John Pennycuick.
Col. R.E.,
Chief Engineer P.W.D.

No. 1381 Cd/1st April 1895

Transferred to the Local and Municipal Department.

Jno Pennycuick Col. R.E.,
Secretary to Govt. P.W. Dept.

To,
The Local & Munl. Dept. with the papers

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Public Works Department.

Local ... Dept.
R. CURRENT No. 1016 L

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
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MADURA

No. 1381 C
Dated 1— —189
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CHIEF SECRETARY
-2 APR. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Previous papers

SUBJECT.

Transferring note by the Chief Engineer P.W.D. on letters from the Supdg. Engineer VI Circle in connection with the proposed road from Kodaikanal to Attur.

No 585

TO BE RETURNED WITH REPLY.

Referred to the District Board Madura for remarks.

(By order)

G. Todhunter
Ag. Assistant Secretary.
29.4.95

V.R.
25/4/95

Fort Saint George
~~April~~ May /95

730—2,000—21-12-94.

To the President Dist. Bd, Madura

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Enclosures to
No 489 P
15-6-95

Current No. 1749 of 1895
Date 4-5-95

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Urgent

No. 224 D

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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750—2,000—21-12-94.

Dist. Bd., Madura

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Urgent

No 224 D

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE NOTE.

Ootacamund

22nd May 1895

From

The Secretary to Govt.
P. W. Dept.

To

The Honorable the
Chief Secretary to Govt.
Local & Municipal
Department.

With Public Works Endorsement No. 1381 C dated 1st April 1895 the project for a road from Kodaikanal through the Lower Pulneys was forwarded to the Local

Ag: Asst.: Secy

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— URGENT —

and Municipal Dept.
His Excellency the Governor wishes to know where the papers now are and in what precise stage the matter is at present.

J. W. Carey Colonel R.E.,
Secretary to Govt. P. W. D.

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Wire to Madras Office

What orders passed Public Works Endorsement 1381 C upon on papers. Wire reply.

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From (Person) First Asst. Local and Munpl. Dept.

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Public works endorsement 1381 C. was referred in original to district board madura for remarks first instant

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Telegraph Master.

C. G. P.—No. 29 T—25-5-94—40 00,000

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Kodaikanal through the Lower Pulneys forwarded with Public Works Endorsement No. 1381 C. dated 1st April 1895 were forwarded on the first instant to the District Board of Madura for remarks. No reply has yet been received. A reminder will be issued to the Board. Sd/. C. G. Todhunter
Ag: Asst.: Secy. to Chief S.

Sent up to Ooty for signature
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MADURA DISTRICT BOARD OFFICE,
22nd July 1895.

From

J. Twigg Esquire,
President, District Board,
Madura.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,
Madras.

Sir,

® G.O. no 101 BL/95.

× G.O. 15-7-95 No 1232 L

With reference to Government endorsement No $\frac{585}{22.4.95}$ ® and in continuation of my letter No $\frac{78}{8.7.95}$ × 12.5.95, I have the honor to submit copy of the District Board's resolution No $\frac{113}{15.7.95}$ on the Chief Engineer's note in connection with the project for a road from Kodaikanal to Lower Palnis. The papers which accompanied are herewith returned with the plan.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

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For President.

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From
The President, 2055 L
District Board,
Madura.

To
The Chief Secy. to Govt.,
Local and Municipal
Department,
Madras.

Dated 21st } July 1895.
Received }

24 JUL 95
No. (82)

Enclosures (4)

SUBJECT. 1 & C No 1016 L actd

Forwarding copy of the District Boards' resolution on the project for a road from Kodaikanal to Lower Palnis

(With order)

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C. Nos. 1016 and 2055 L

Order

~~The District Boards' resolution submitted with the Presidents' letter read above will be communicated to the Public Works Department.~~

V.R.
7/8/95

CS/

Note for C.S.

It is not known whether any informal decision has been come to upon the question of giving this scheme a grant from Provl., but if none has the large total of the estimate wd. seem to show that the only thing that has a chance of being executed is the bridle-path. The Dist. Bd. has not said whether the probable traffic from the Lower Palnis wd. make its worth carrying out, or whether it could be maintained by the Board. Submitted that it may be asked about both points

W.R. 9.8.95

To
The Public Works Departt.
with papers in original
President, District Board,
Madura.

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500—21-5-95.

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DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings :—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
Current No. 1016 L of 1895, dated from
" " 2055 L , 1895 , " , "
" " , 189 , " , "

ORDER.

Refce. 1181 / 23/8/95

The attention of the District Board will be called to paras 5. & 6. of the Chief Engineer's note, & it will be requested to report whether the benefit that would accrue to the Lower Palnis from the construction of a bridle-path up the proposed trace would in its opinion justify the expenditure of Rs. 85.000 upon the path, & whether it is prepared to maintain it if it is constructed

W.R. 13.8.95

(for orders)

To The President, District Board, Madura; with copy of the Chief Engineer's note.

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Desp. 23/8/95

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Bridle path to Kodaikanal & Law's Ghat. -

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(with order)

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Copy of note by His Excellency the Governor.

I am strongly of opinion that Government should assist Local Bodies largely in the initial expense of constructing roads to open up districts. India too has called attention to the small outlay on communications compared with buildings - and this is, I think, a very fair case for Government assistance.

(Sd) W
27 July.

(True copy)
R W Lowe
Head Clerk
P.W. Secretariat

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22497/95

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

CURRENT No. 22497

Read the following

Local and Municipal Department.
Proceedings of the Madras Government.
Read the following paper—

From the President, District Board, Madura, dated 8th July 1895, No. 78.

With reference to official memo: No. $\frac{883}{28.6.95}$, I have the honor to state that the papers relating to the project for a road from Koddikanal through the Lower Palnis, sent with endorsement of Government No. $\frac{585}{20.4.95}$, will be laid before the District Board at its meeting to be held on the 15th instant, and its opinion communicated to Government immediately. The papers were referred to the District Board Engineer for his opinion, and they were only received back after the last meeting was over. I do not think, however, that the District Board will be able to do anything in the matter for some time to come. It has hardly funds to keep the existing roads in fair order.

Order: 15th July 1895, No. 1232 L. Mis.

Communicated to the Public Works

(40—4,000—14-3-95.)

Works Department with reference to Chief Engineer's office Note dated 22 May 1895 No. 224 D.

(True Extract)
(S/d) W. Francis
ag. Under Secretary
for Chief Secretary.

Order thereon No. 1959 W, 9th August 1895

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer VI Circle with reference to his letter No. 209 M.D. dated 2nd June 1895.

(True Extract)

Col. R.E.
Joint ~~Under~~ Secretary to Govt.
P.W.D.

The Supdg: Engineer, VI Circle
" Local and Municipal Department with copy of note by His Excellency the Governor. } ✓

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Public Works Department.

Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No. 2249L

No. 1959W
Dated 9th August 1895
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SUBJECT.

Commug: to S. E. VI circle L & M. G. O stating that the Resolution of the Dt Board of Madura regarding a road from Kodaikanal to the Lower Pulnis will be communicated duly.

—2,500—21-12-94.

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No. 136

MADURA DISTRICT BOARD OFFICE,
25th November 1895.

From

J. Twigg Esquire,
President, District Board,
Madura.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to memorandum of Government No $\frac{1181}{23.8.95}$ calling the attention of the District Board to paras 5 + 6 of the Chief Engineer's note regarding the proposed Aithur Ghat road, I have the honor to forward copy of a resolution passed by the District Board at a meeting held on the 18th Inst.

2. The Board was unanimously in favour of accepting the offer of Government and will gladly take over the maintenance of the bridle path when constructed.

3. Regarding the other point of reference — whether the benefit that would accrue to the Lower Palnis would justify the expenditure of Rs 85000 upon the path — a small minority thought the question should be postponed till they had sufficient materials before them to be able to advise Government as to the best route for opening up the Lower Palnis. It was explained that this was not the point, and that the question was whether the expenditure

upon the particular path selected was justifiable. This question the large majority had no hesitation in answering in the affirmative, and personally I think there can be no doubt in the matter at all.

4. I enclose the report of the Sub Collector on the subject with its enclosures among which I would specially invite attention to the letter from the Lower Palnis' Planters' association dated 22nd September 1895, wherein the advantages of the path are very fairly set out. The value of the produce now sent down from the Lower Palnis in the shape of coffee, plantains and cardamom is estimated at 13½ lakhs. but there can be no doubt that the opening of a direct and easy route down to the plains will result in a considerable extension of cultivation.

5. So far as I have been able to ascertain the route selected is as convenient as any other could be for the purpose of opening up the Lower Palnis, apart from its value as affording a direct communication through to Kodaikanal. Gradually the new route will attract nearly all the traffic which now goes down the various ghâts, for vested interests and custom will not be able to stand against the advantages of an easier gradient which will admit of the use of pack bullocks instead of ponies and coolies, and of a more direct route to the Railway.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servt

President

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READ AGAIN G.O., No. 189 , DATED

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