

Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 13th July 1858.

No. 4. MINUTE OF CONSULTATION, dated 8th July 1858, No. 265.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council proceeds to pass orders on such portions of the Despatch from the Honorable the Court of Directors, dated 18th May, No. 15 of 1858, as call for notice.

Para: 10. Abstain from discussing the project submitted by Lt. Taylor for forming a Harbour of Refuge, by means of breakwaters, at Butkul Cove, until information on all the points involved be laid before them: notice the proposal for exhibiting Lights on the Carwar Head and on one of the Oyster rocks, and approve of the western or outer Oyster rock as the most eligible site for the intended Light-house.

Paras: 11 to 13. Notice the further correspondence respecting the establishment of a Marine Police Force for the Port of Madras; and remark that the existing regulations for employment of Boats and the Charges payable for the conveyance of passengers and merchandize, will require to be reconsidered when the proposed Pier is completed.

Para: 20. Abstain from directing a refund of the batta passed to Captain Sir W. Hoste but, adverting to the revised regulations contained in their Despatch of 10th March 1852, respecting the payment of batta to Officers of the Royal Navy serving on the East India Station, forbid any deviation from those rules in future.

Paras: 33 to 36. State, in reference to the papers respecting the insecurity and danger of the navigation along the Eastern and Western coasts, that they will communicate with the Government of India on the subject.

Paras: 45 and 46. Approve proceedings adopted for the improvement of certain Harbours on the Coromandel and Malabar coasts.

Paras: 1 to 9, 14 to 19, 21 to 32 and 37 to 44.

2. Copy of this para: will be furnished to the Marine Board in reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, 16th July 1856, and to the Department Public Works.

3. Subsequent to the receipt of the papers noticed in these paras: the Honorable the Court of Directors will have learnt, from para: 28 of the Despatch from this Government, dated 24th August, No. 14 of 1857, that the Honorable Company's Solicitor had been desired to submit a Draft Bill for authorizing the levy of the tax to be contributed by the Mercantile community for defraying the expences of the Marine Police Force. The Bill was accordingly submitted, and forwarded to the Member for Madras of the Legislative Council of India, with a view to his taking the necessary steps to have it passed into Law as early as possible.

The correspondence, Cons. 9th Feby. 1858, Nos. 5 to 9, do. 19th March 1858, „ 7 & 8 A noted in the do. 25th May 1858, „ 1 & 2 margin, that do. 22nd June 1858, „ 10 to 15 has since taken place in regard thereto, will be now transmitted for the information of the Honorable Court.

4. To be communicated to the Civil Auditor for information and guidance.

5. Copy of these paras: will be furnished to the Marine Board in reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, 13th September 1856, No. 285.

6. These paras: will be referred to the Public Works Department, where the subject originated, in reference to the Despatch to the Honorable Court from the Department, dated 20th October, No. 16 of 1856.

9. Need no remarks.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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