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No. 49. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 4th May 1857, No. 48.

SIR,

1. I have the honor under Clause 2 of Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 696, dated 18th October 1855, to forward copies of letters noted in the margin and in consideration of the great importance of keeping the line of road from Bellary to Cuddapah in a passable state until its final completion, I beg to solicit sanction for an annual expenditure of the following sums.

From the District Engineer Bellary letter No. 302, 30th March 1857.
From the Collector Bellary letter No. 65, 3rd April 1857.

		Rs.
1st.	From Bellary to the Cuddapah frontier at Tallapodator 100 miles at Rs. 100 per mile.	10,000
2nd.	From Tallapodator to Cuddapah 54 miles at Rupees 100 per mile.	5,400

2. The Superintending Engineer Central Circle has reported on the portion of the road between Bellary and Gooty, and the District Engineer observes, that the portion from the latter place to the Cuddapah frontier is as bad, if not worse.

3. From want of funds the portions of road which were partially constructed during the famine season at a cost of Rupees 1,15,842, are described as fast deteriorating, and I consider that a present outlay of Rupees 100 per mile will prove eventually a measure of economy.

4. The estimate for completing this road in the limits of the Bellary District will be submitted for entry in the Budget of 1858-59. The estimate for the construction of the portion to the Cuddapah District was forwarded to Government with my report No. 8662, dated 6th December 1856, NNNNN, but apparently from some misapprehension, or from want of proper information regarding it, it has been omitted from the Budget of 1857-58.

5. The Collector of Bellary supports the District Engineers proposition, but it will be observed, that no application to Government could have been made for completing the road as observed by Mr. Pelly, as the estimates for it have not yet been received.

No. 50. ORDER THEREON, No. 1132; dated 12th June 1857.

With this letter, the Chief Engineer forwards two communications from the District Engineer and Collector of Bellary, urging the importance of keeping the road from Bellary to the Cuddapah frontier in a passable state until its completion, and solicits sanction for an annual expenditure of Rupees 15,400 for the entire line; viz. Rupees, 10,000, for the portion in Bellary, stated to be 100 miles, and Rupees 5,400, for the remaining 54 miles in the Cuddapah District.

2. The whole distance of the road is thus stated to be 154 miles, while from the Reports on Items Nos. 24 and 26 of the Budget Statement No. 1 for 1856-57, it appears to be only 139½ miles, as shewn below.

		Miles.	Miles.
From Cuddapah to Tolapodatoor on the Bellary frontier...		... 52	
	Cuddapah ...		52
From Tolapodatoor to Royalcherroo		... 32	
From Royalcherroo to Ghooty		... 13½	
From Ghooty to Bellary		... 42	
	Bellary.....		87½
	Total...		139½

Again, the length of the portion of the road within the Cuddapah limits is stated in the Chief Engineer's Report NNNNN, dated 6th December 1856, now before the Government to be but

* From Cuddapah to Tolapodatoor, from Tolapodatoor to Royalcherroo, and a small part of the portion from Ghooty to Bellary.

51 miles. It further appears from the Reports on the Budget of 1856-57, above referred to, that only portions* of the line have been as yet partially formed and it is evident therefore that no maintenance allowance can be required for the unmade parts.

5. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council therefore requests the Chief Engineer will ascertain the correct distance of the line in the Bellary and Cuddapah Districts, as also what portions of it have been actually formed, and under what authority. On receipt of this information, Colonel Faber will submit a revised application for an annual maintenance allowance for only such portions of the road as have been made.

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

Bellary District Collectorate
Office on Circuit at Ramandrug
3rd April 1857

No 65.

From
C. Pelly Esquire
Collector of Bellary

To
Lieutenant Colonel C. E. Faber
Chief Engineer in the D.P.W.
Madras

Sir,

I am submitting Copy of a letter from the District Engineer of Bellary, suggesting that an application be made to Government for the maintenance of the road from Bellary to Cuddapah frontier via Gooty, I have the honor to state that this road was undertaken during the famine. It was recommended after the famine Expenditure Ceased, that it should be Completed in the same manner as the lines from Bellary to Kurnool and Madhavaram 18m (289 Miles) were completed. But by a mistake in the Office of the Department Public works, under the supposition that only 5 Miles had been done during

Covered with grass again: the road not having
been thoroughly made on the new line, the
bandies follow their olds tracks.-

5. With the money now asked for
much might be done to improve the road
and keep it in order, but if this is not done.
the Estimate will have to be increased to allow
for the repairs and Earthwork destroyed
during several seasons as it Considerably ex-
:ceeds a Lac of rupees, and will have to go to
England for the sanction of the (Court)
of Directors.-

Court

I have the honor to be &c.
Signed J. F. Fisher Lieut
District Engineer of Bellary

/True Copy/
/Signed/ C. Pelly
Collector

/True Copies/

W. Ed Liebert Colonel
Chief Engineer

Court of Requisitionists

Enclosure in a letter from
the Chief Engineer

To, The Secretary to Govern.t
F.W.D.

Dated 4th } May 1857
Recd

No. 48
P.W. 925/57

Copy of letter from the Collector
of Bellary, with accompanying
copy of letter from the District
Engineer upon the subject of
maintenance allowances for two
roads in his District Viz.t.
One from Bellary to the Cuddapah
frontier at Tellapodatoor and
the other from Tellapodatoor to
Cuddapah.

16 June/57

No 1947 50

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No. 1182

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 12th June 1857.

Read the following
letter from the Chief Engineer.

(Here enter 4th May 1857 No. 48.)

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expenditure of Rs 15,000
for the entire line, viz

Rs

Rs 10,000 for the portion in Bellary, stated to be 100 miles and Rs 8,100 for the remaining 54 miles in the Cuddapah District. The whole distance of the road is thus stated to be 154 miles, while from the Reports on Items Nos 24 and 26 of the Budget Statement for 1856/57, it appears to be 139½ miles, as shewn below

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Again, the length of the portion of the road within the Cuddapah limits is stated in the Chief Engrs Report NNNN, dated 6th December 1856, now before the Govt, to be but 51 miles. It further appears from the Reports on the Budgets of 1856/57 above referred to, that only portions of the line have been as yet partially formed by the Famine Coolies, and it is evident therefore that no maintenance allowance can be required for the unmade parts.

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Copies to the Chief Engr.
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2nd March/57 Nos 28 & 29
12th Augt 58 " 87 & 90
18th June 157 " 47 & 48.

No 49 & 50.

Public Works 1857 Dept.
Dº to Cons: 16th June.
No 1132.

Extract Mins of Cons
Dº 12th June 57.

From the Chief Engr 26th Augt 57
& No 1099 in Cons 22 Sept } 90-91

Requesting the Chief Engr to ascertain the correct distance of the line of Road in the Bellary & Cuddapah Districts & to submit a revised application for an annual maintenance allowance, for only such portions of the road as have been made