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No. 30. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, D. P. W., dated 30th January 1857, No. 9872.

SIR,

1. I have the honor under Clause 2, of Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 696, dated 18th October 1855, to forward copy of a letter No. 35, dated 8th Instant from the District Engineer of Ganjam, submitting an estimate for completing the worst portions, across paddy flats, of Trunk road No. 6, between Byree and Nursimpettah 5¼ miles.

2. This portion of the road in its present state, having no metal in it, is described as being in the rainy season one continued quagmire, and passed with difficulty by carts, dragged by 4 bullocks, at the rate of 1 mile per hour.

3. In the dry season for some time, owing to the deep ruts formed during the monsoon, the difficulty of transit is equally great; the carts being constantly upset, and their axles broken, the line in fact, as it now is, is stated to be worse than the original track, only known very generally, by the avenue trees here and there.

4. The gravelling and metalling of the raised portions of the Trunk road, between Chicacole and Byree for which an advance of Rupees (4,000) four thousand, was sanctioned in Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1,610 dated 12th September 1856, have nearly been completed.

5. The accompanying Report (A) shows clearly the nature of the work proposed to be executed, and notices the extent of traffic, with the great advantages that will accrue from completing, though roughly, this portion of the Trunk road. I beg therefore strongly to recommend, that the early sanction of Government may be accorded for the work being commenced at once, on the estimate of Rupees (5,400) five thousand, and four hundred, now submitted, and in which the rates allowed are moderate, and sufficient.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, No. 380; dated 27th February 1857.

The Chief Engineer submits an estimate amounting to Rupees 5,400, for completing, across some paddy flats, the worst portions of Trunk road No. 6, between Byree and Nursimpettah 5¼ miles in the District of Ganjam, and requests that it may be sanctioned for immediate execution. The Government consider the work highly desirable, but as the opening of the new official year is so close at hand, they resolve that the amount of the estimate viz. Rupees (5,400) five thousand and four hundred, be entered in the Budget of 1857-58, in the Government office.

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

Civil Engr.s Office 9th Div.n
Camps Berhampore
8th January 1857.

Publics Roads

No. 35.

From

Major W.m I. Birdwood
Civil Engineer 9th Division

To

Colonel C.s E.s Faber
Chief Engineer D. P.W.
Fort St.t George.—

Sir,

1 I have the honor to forward an Estimate for the completion or metalling the worst portions across Paddy Flats of the Northern Trunk Road, between Byree and Nursannapett, amounting to Rupees [5,400] Five thousand, and four hundred.—

2. A short time ago, Government sanctioned Rupees [4,000] Four thousand as an advance, for gravelling and Metalling raised Portions through Paddy fields of this Line, between Chicacole and Byree. This now is nearly completed, but between Byree and Nursannapett, the largest trading Town in the District, and the residence generally of the wealthy Native Merchants who supply the European Merchants at Calingapatam, with Rice, Oil Seeds, Hides, and Horns, for Exportation, [last Year amounting to Rupees 6,36,400]; the Road across the Paddy

1 Report
1 Abstract
1 Estimate
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Paddy Flats formed with Earths only, is in the rainy Season, One Continued quagmire, the wheels of Bandies, with four Bullocks attached, dragging along at the rate of 1 Mile an hour, sinking Axles deep in mud, and in the dry Season for some time, equally as great an obstacle to traffic, on account of the deep ruts formed during the Monsoon, and constantly causing the upsetting of the Bandies and smashing the Axles, indeed, the Line in its present unfinished state, is really a worse Line of Communication in many places, than the Original unmade Track, Known very generally only by Avenues of Trees here and there, planted by Native Princes, the Owners of this Country Several Years ago.—

Trusting my Proposition for the Metalling this portion of Trunk Road No. 6, between Dypree and Nursunnapett, 5 Miles, 2 Furlongs, and 152 Yds. in length, will meet with your approval. I have the honor to request, you will be good enough to solicit the Sanction of Government, for a further advance of Rupees [5,400] Five thousand and four hundred as early as possible, for the purpose of completing this so urgently required

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required to be made portion of Trunk Road No. 6, before the ensuing Monsoon.—

I have &c.

Signed W. Birdwood Major
Civil Engr. 9th Division.

Civil Engr. Office 9th Div.
Camp Berhampore
8th January 1857.

[True Copy]

A.W. Taylor Colonel
Chief Engineer

Ganjam dist.

Central Office of R.W.
Fort St. George 30 January 1837.

Public
Roads.

No. 872

From The Chief Engineer
To The Secretary to Government
R.W. Department.

Sir.

1.- I have the honor under Clause 2nd Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 696 dated 18th October 1835, to forward copy of a letter No. 35 dated 8th Inst. from the District Engineer of Ganjam, submitting an Estimate for completing the worst portions, across paddy flats, of Trunk Road No. 5, between Ongole and Nursumpetta 5¼ miles.

2.- This portion of the road in its present state, having no metal in it, is described as being in the rainy season one continued quagmire and passed with difficulty by Carts, dragged by 4 bullocks at the rate of 1 Mile p hour.-

3.- In the dry season for some time, owing to the deep ruts formed during the monsoon, the difficulty of transit is equally great, the carts being constantly upset, and their axles broken; the line in fact as it now is, is stated to be worse than the original track, only two surveyors & by the Avenue trees here and there.-

4.- The travelling and metalled of the raised portions of the Trunk Road between Chicacole and Ongole for which an advance of Rupees (4000) four thousand was sanctioned in Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1640 dated 12 September 1836, have nearly been completed.-

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1837. No. Despatch.

Enclosure in a letter from the Chief Engineer to the Secretary to Government R.W. Dept.

dated 30th January 1837.
No. 872.

Copy of letter from the District Engineer of Ganjam forwarding an Estimate for the completion of Portions of Trunk Road No. 5 between Ongole & Nursumpetta.

Dated 8th Inst.
Received 18th Ditto.
Answered 30th Ditto.

5. The accompanying Report (A) shows clearly the nature of the work proposed to be executed, and notices the extent of traffic with the great advantages that will accrue from completing the roughly this portion of the Trunk Road. I beg therefore strongly to recommend, that the early sanction of Government may be accorded for the work being commenced at once on the Estimate of Rupees (5,400) five thousand and four hundred now submitted, and in which the rates allowed are moderate, and sufficient.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t Servant

Central Office of Rds
Rd. St. George
30th January 1837.

Chief Engineer

List of Enclosures.
1 Copy of a letter from the Chief Engr. to Govt. dated 8th Jany 1837 No 35.
1. Report. (Original) marked A.
1. Abstract Estimate.

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Dy to Cons 16th Sept 55 1854/55

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Dy to Cons 3d March
No 215

From the Chief Engineer
To the Secretary to Government
P.W. Department

Dated 30th January 1837
Recd 2nd Do.

Encl. 1.
From Do No 13 Jnur 37 Ctt 1533
in Cons No 1572

Forwards under Clause 2 of Cy. Comm Cons: No 6966 dated 18th October 1833. Copy of a letter from the District Engr: of Tanjore, with his Sanction for an Estimate of Rs 5,400 for completing the worst portions, across paddy flats, of Trunk Road No 6 between Byree and Narsimpettah 5¼ miles, and recommends the work for immediate execution.

With his order
No 380 - 27 Feb

No 380

The Chief Engineer submits an Estimate Amounting to Rupees 5,400 for completing across some paddy flats the worst portions of Trunk Road No 6 between Byree and Narsimpettah 5¼ miles in the District of Tanjore and requests that it may be sanctioned for immediate execution. The Government consider the work highly desirable but as the opening of the new Official Year is so close at hand, they resolve that the amount of the Estimate Viz Rupees /5,400/ five thousand and four hundred be entered in the Budget of 1857/58 in the Government Office.

Fort St George
27th February 1857

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