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## *Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 5th May 1857.*

No. 100. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 27th January 1857, No. 9774.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward copy of a letter No. 820, dated 5th Instant from the District Engineer of Cuddapah, furnishing the information called for by Government in paras. 6 and 7 of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 2079, dated 10th November 1856.

2. The first bridge referred to in para. 6 across the river Booga, was opened for traffic on the 1st April last and the District Engineer now reports the completion of the second one across the river Ralla, including the road connecting the west approach with the Cantonment of Cuddapah, an uninterrupted communication is this opened between the Cantonment and the populous town of Cuddapah, leaving the Ralla embankment to be completed at a cost of Rupees 1,960, for which the sanction of Government was conveyed in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 88, dated 13th January 1857, the total expenditure up to the present time having been Rupees 38,482.

3. Respecting the Dorenalla pass, referred to in para. 7, of the order of Government, the District Engineer reports that it is only partially opened for traffic, the new road having been levelled, and the Jungle cleared, but that a great deal of work remains to be done.

4. With my report No. 8662 dated 6th December 1856 an estimate of Rupees (42,900) forty-two thousand, and nine hundred, for the road from Cuddapah to the Nellore frontier, by Budwail, and the Dorenalla pass, 40½ miles in length, was forwarded for entry in the Budget of 1857-58.

5. That estimate with the exception of bridges for the rivers Pennaur at Cheenoor, and Suggliaur, 5 miles west of Budwail, the probable cost of which was given at Rupees 1,45,000, provides for thoroughly *completing* the road, in earth work, metalling and all smaller masonry works.

6. With the estimates for bridging the Kutmanauroo and Pubevole Vaugoo on this road, in the Nellore District, which have also been submitted for entry in the outgoing Budget, provision will have been made for *completing* the line, with the exceptions noticed in para. 5 from Nellore to Cuddapah.

7. Accompanying is a statement of the traffic on this road, as registered at Budwail, daily during last month and the District Engineer, who is informed that the traffic is gradually increasing, observes, that the whole of the Cotton grown in the Talooks of Dhovoor, Jummulmadgoo, and Koilgoonttah, and large quantites of Indigo from Budwail, are sent through the Dorenalla pass to Nellore.

8. The District Engineer concludes his letter by observing, how little has yet been done to improve the Trunk lines of road connecting Cuddapah with Bellary and the Presidency, as shown in the accompanying copy of his report on their condition.

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No. 101. ORDER THEREON, No. 860; dated 5th May 1857.

Ordered that the above letter be brought to the notice of the Honorable Court of Directors with reference to paras. 15 and 16 of their Public Works Despatch dated 28th March 1856, No. 5.

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

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George,
2d January 1857.

No. 9774.

From,

The Chief Engineer.

To,

The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Public

Roads

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3 Respecting the Dorenalla pass, referred to in para 7 of the order of Government, the District Engineer reports that it is only partially opened for traffic, the new road having been levelled, and the jungle cleared, but that a great deal of work remains to be done.

4 With my report No. 8662, dated 6th December 1856 an Estimate of Rupees (42,900) Forty two thousand, and nine hundred, for the Road from Cuddapah to the Nellore frontier, by Budwail, and the Dorenalla pass, 60½ miles in length, was forwarded for entry in the Budget of 1857/58.

5 That Estimate with the exception of bridges for the rivers Pennaur at Cheenoor, and Sugglaur, 5 miles west of Budwail, the probable cost of which was given at Rupees 44,5000. provides for thoroughly completing the road, in earth work, metalling and all smaller masonry works.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obt. Servt.

Colonel
Chief Engineer.

Office of Public Works,
Saint George,
January 1857.

Copy to W. Morrison Esqr

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From,
The Chief Engineer.

To
The Secretary to Govert
P.W.D.

Dated 27th January 1857.
Received 28th "

№ 9774

Enclosure 1.

Forwarding copy of a letter from the District Engineer of Cuddapah furnishing the information called for in paras 6 & 7 of Ex. Mins: Cons: № 2079 d/10th Nov.r/56 respecting the Pooga, and Palla bridges, and the Dorenalla pass, in the District of Cuddapah.—
№ 860. 5th May. With an Order.

№ 860

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Fort St. George
5th May 1857.