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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 11th August 1857.

No. 15. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 23rd July 1857, No. 2311.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Acting District Engineer of Kurnool ; to Colonel C. E FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Kurnool, 29th June 1857, No. 491.

SIR,

In accordance with the instructions conveyed in the Extract from your Proceedings No. 1225 under date the 16th Instant, I have the honor to retransmit the table of executive ranges proposed for the Kurnool District, revised and altered as suggested by you, and countersigned by the Acting Commissioner.

2. I trust that the distribution of the District now proposed by me, will meet with your approbation. The three ranges are as nearly possible equal in size and are in every respect most convenient, whether the District is considered with reference to its natural divisions by the several great river basins, or to its artificial divisions into Talooks.

Range No. I, comprises the Goodoor and Dhone Talooks, it includes the basins of the Hindree and Toombuddra.

Range No. II, comprises the Pauniem, Nundyall, Sirwell, and Chagulmurry Talooks and includes the basins of the Koondaur and Kalee.

Range No. III, comprises the Atcoor and Nundicotcoor Talooks, and includes the basins of the Bowanassee and Kistnah.

3. As directed by you. I have divided the District into three ranges, with reference to the complement of Officers allotted to Kurnool in the Table which accompanied Circular No. VII, of the 8th Ultimo, but I would most urgently bring to your notice the fact, that at present, their is but one Executive Officer in the District, viz. Major Walker, to whom No. I, Range has been allotted, and whom I have also been obliged to place in temporary charge of No. II, Range. The number of Officers and Subordinates in the District falls very far short of the number allotted in the table referred to, as is here shown.

	District Engineers.			Executive Engineers.			Sub Engineer.	Supervisor Asst. do. Overseers Asst. do.
	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	3rd Class.	4th Class.	Assist.		
Number allotted by table.....	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	5
Actual Number in the District.	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4

The Executive work of the District cannot be conducted as satisfactorily as I would wish with the present slender staff of Officers and Subordinates ; and I would most urgently request that the number may be made up as soon as possible to the full complement allotted to this District. In accordance with your recommendation. I have for the present placed Assistant Supervisor Ross in charge of range No. III, but this could not be done without interfering most seriously with the General work of the District, as he is the only Subordinate on whose Surveys and Levels I can depend with any degree of accuracy.

4. I have also the honor to enclose the Sketch Map of the District, altered to suit the new Distribution of the Executive ranges, and having the position and extent of Captain Nelsons temporary charge on the Munteral Canama Ghaut, marked on it.

Resolved, to forward for the consideration, and orders of Government, copy of the foregoing letter, No. 491, of the 29th Ultimo, from the Acting District Engineer of Kurnool, together with the accompanying Tabular Statement, and Sketch Map, showing the proposed Division of the District into three Executive ranges, prepared in accordance with directions furnished by the Chief Engineer.

Mr. Biggers from the Godavery Division has been ordered to proceed to Kurnool, and on arriving there, will relieve Major Walker from the charge of No. 2 range. The Chief Engineer would observe, with reference to the Acting District Engineer's complaint of the numerical deficiency in his present Establishment that every endeavour is being made to equalize proportionately the establishments allotted to the several Districts, but that it will be a work of time, before all the required changes can be carried into effect.

(Signed) C. E. FABER, Colonel,
Chief Engineer.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON, No. 1522; dated 5th August 1857.

The Government approve of the Executive ranges as now proposed for the Kurnool District in the Statement received with the above Proceedings, and the arrangements made for the charge of the works within them.

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

No. 2311

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works,
Under date the 23 July 1857.
Read the following:-

No. 491.

From Lieutenant J. H. Mc. Shaw Stewart
Actg. Distt. Engr. of Kurnool
To The Chief Engineer
in the Depart. of P. Works
Fort St. George

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2. I trust that the distribution of the District now proposed by me, will meet with your approbation. The three ranges are as nearly possible equal in size - and are in every respect most convenient, whether the District is considered with reference to its natural divisions by the several great river basins, or to its Artificial divisions into talooks.

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	District Engineers 1st Class	2d Class	3d Class	Executive Engineers 3d Class	4th Class	Sub. Asst. Engrs.	Overseers
Number allotted by Table	"	"	1	1	1	1	5
Actual Number in the District	"	"	1	"	"	1	4

The Executive work of this District cannot be conducted as satisfactorily as I would wish under the present slender Staff of Officers and Subordinates; and I would most urgently request that the Number may be made up as soon as possible to the full Complement allotted to this District - In accordance with your recommendation I have for the present placed Assistant Engineer Ross in Charge of Range No. III - but this could not be done without

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I have &c.
(Signed) Jas. Mc. Le. Stewart
Actg. Distt. Engr. Kurnool.

District Engr. Office
Kurnool 29th June 1857.

Resolved, to forward for the consideration, and Orders of Government, Copy of the foregoing letter No. 491. of the 29th Ultimo, from the Acting District Engineer of Kurnool, together with the accompanying tabular Statement, and sketch Map, showing the proposed division of the District into three Executive ranges, prepared in accordance with directions furnished by the Chief Engineer. -

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Wm Faber Colonel
Chief Engineer

W
A Engr. E. C.

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

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Extract from the Proceedings of
the Chief Engineer D. S. W.
To The Secretary to Government
S. W. D.

Dated 23d
Recd 25th } July 1857.

1 Enclosure. No. 2311
& 1 Sketch Plan

Forwards for the Considera-
tion and Orders of Government a
tabular Statement and Sketch Plan
of the proposed division of the Kurnool
District into 3 Executive Ranges.

Written Order.
No. 1522. 5th Augt

No. 1522

The Government approve
of the executive ranges as now proposed
for the Kurnool District in the State-
ment received with the above Proceed-
ings, and the arrangements made
for the charge of the works within
them.

Fort St. George
5th August 1857

No. 1516. Copies to the Chief Engr with 2 Encls Pkt No. 6

C 28th July to 3rd Augt