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No. 59. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 17th August 1858, No. 2892.

SIR,

No. 1577 dated 28th July 1858.

I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the District Engineer of Nellore, with reference to which I beg the Government will be pleased to remove the restriction from the Item No. 374 of Budget Statement No. 2. Road from Nellore to Ulloor.

2. The amount entered in the column as required for expenditure in 1858-59 on that road is 5,764 Rupees, out of which the District Engineer shows that up to the date of work being stopped he had expended Rupees 2,908, leaving a balance of Rupees 2,856, which he hopes he may be allowed to expend on completing the metalling, as all repairs to the earth-work alone are from the nature of the soil of a very temporary character.

3. The District Engineer points out that only 1½ miles of this road (which is 11 miles long and lies immediately north of Nellore) are in proper repair and fully metalled; it follows therefore that the available balance, if the Government is pleased to sanction its expenditure, will only give 300 Rupees a mile or less than half the original Estimate; but in consideration of the traffic on this the only northern road and the impassable state to which a few hours rain reduces it, I beg to recommend that the restriction be removed, and in that case the District Engineer will be instructed to reduce the width and depth of his metalling for present purposes.

Letter from Lieutenant J. MULLINS, District Engineer, Nellore; to Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer, dated 28th July 1858, No. 1577.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to your notice the very wretched state of the Old Ramiapatam Road between Rauzoopolliem and Ulloor (11 miles) in consequence af there being no funds available either for the completion of the metalling, or the repair of the earth-work embankments.

2. Last night there was a slight shower of rain, and this morning I found the road to be in such a state, that I am sure 12 hours rain would render it impassable, and considering that it is a part of the only line of road in the District, which is supposed to be open for traffic, I hope that some small grant will be made to render it a little more practicable for the very considerable traffic (about 80 carts* daily) which exists.

* Exclusive of night traffic.

3. In Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1576 of the 3rd September 1856, Government sanctioned Rupees 650 for the repair of these 11 miles, but entry for this sum in the Budget of 1857-58, as an annual grant was not allowed* Rupees 7,700 for the metalling of this Road were sanctioned in the same Budget, but owing to the restriction on P. W. expenditure, only Rupees 2,908-2-5, out of this sum has been expended, and, as necessarily happens in such cases, much of the incomplete metalling has been worked into the sub-soil by the traffic, and will have to be done over again, and out of the whole eleven miles, only 1½ miles are in proper repair and fully metalled.

* Vide Budget Book Page 82.

4. To provide for the filling up of ruts and holes, some of which are deep enough to upset a Bandy, I would recommend that Rupees 650 should be sanctioned, but as all repairs to the earth-work are of a very temporary character, owing to the nature of the soil, it is very necessary that the metalling should be completed, and for this purpose the balance of the sanctioned Estimate will I hope be made available.

5. The loss to the present cart traffic only supposing even that the journey is not shortened by the state of the road is, owing to the smaller load carried, 25 Rupees a day or 750 Rupees a month, and if the probable result on the length of the journey be also considered, it would amount to at least double this sum. I hope therefore that, at all events, until the new line of

the Trunk Road is opened, a sufficient sum to enable me to provide for the maintenance of the old line will be sanctioned, and if the metalling be completed, Rupees 60 per mile per annum, which is certainly a very small sum for a raised Road, will do very well.

No. 60. ORDER THEREON, No. 1865; dated 10th September 1858.

Under the circumstances brought to notice, the Government grant authority for completing the metalling of the road from Nellore to Ulloor out of the balance of Rupees 2,856 stated to be available from the Estimate* sanctioned for the road.

* No. 374 of Budget Statement No. 2 for 1858-59.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Centre Circle

No. 1577.

From

Lieutenant J. Mullins
District Engineer Nellore.

To

Major E. Lawford
Offg Chief Engineer D.P.W.

Public.

Sir,

I have the honor to bring to your notice the very wretched state of the Old Ramiapatam Road between Rauzoopolliem and Ulloor (11 Miles) inconsequence of there being no funds available either for the completion of the metalling, or the repair of the earth work embankments.

2. Last night there was a slight shower of rain, and this morning I found the road to be in such a state that I am sure 12 hours rain would render it impassable, and considering that it is a part of the only line of road in the District, which is supposed to be open for traffic, I hope that some small grant will be made to render it a little more practicable for the very considerable traffic (about 80 carts daily) which exists.

× Exclusive of night traffic.

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2. In Extract Minutes Consultation Nº 1576, of the 3d September 1856, Government sanctioned Rupees 650 for the repair of these 11 Miles, but entry for this sum in the Budget of 1857/58 as an annual grant was not allowed.* Rupees 7700 for the metalling of this Road were sanctioned in the same Budget, but owing to the restriction on P.W. expenditure only Rupees 2908-2-5, out of this sum has been expended, and, as neces-sarily happens in such cases, much of the incom-plete metalling has been worked into the Sub soil by the traffic, and will have to be done over again, and out of the whole eleven miles only 1½ miles are in proper repair and fully metalled.

*Vide Budget Book Page 82.

4. To provide for the filling up of ruts and holes, some of which are deep enough to upset a Bandy, I would recommend that Rupees 650 should be sanctioned, but as all repairs to the earth work are of a very temporary character, owing to the nature of the soil, it is very necessary that the metalling should be completed, and for this purpose the balance of the sanctioned Estimate will I hope be made available.

5. The loss to the present cart traffic only supposing even that the journey is not shortened by the state of the road is, owing to the smaller load carried, 25 Rupees a day or 750 Rupees a month, and if the probable re-sult on the length of the journey be also con-sidered, it would amount to at least double this sum. I hope therefore that, at all events until the new line of the Trunk Road is opened a sufficient sum to enable me to provide for the maintenance of the old line will be sanc-tioned, and if the metalling be completed Rupees 60 per Mile per annum, which is certainly a very small sum for a raised Road, will do very well.

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) John Mullins Lt
District Engineer Nellore.

Camp Nellore
28th July 1858.

(True Copy)

Captain

Nd Supt Engr Central Circle.

Central Office of Public Works.
Fort Saint George 17th August 1858.

№ 2893

From

The Officiating Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

"Public"

Sir,

I have the honor to forward copy
of a letter from the District Engineer of Nellore
with reference to which I beg the Government
will be pleased to remove the restriction from
the item № 374 of budget Statement № 2-
Road from Nellore to Ulloor.

2. The amount entered in the column
as required for expenditure in 1858/59 on that
road is 5764 Rupees, out of which the District
Engineer shows that up to the date of work
being stopped he had expended Rupees 2908
leaving a balance of Rupees 2856, which he
hopes he may be allowed to expend on com-
pleting the metalling, as all repairs to the
earthwork alone are from the nature of the
soil of a very temporary character.

The

№ 1577 dated 28 July 1858.

Enclosure in a letter
from the Offg Chief Engineer
to the Secretary to Government
Public Works Dept.

Dated 17th August 1858.
Rec'd

№ 2893
DN 1884/58

Copy of a letter from
the District Engineer Nellore
bringing to notice the
unrelaited state of the old
Ramiapatam Road and
recommending for sanction
Rupees 650 for telling up
ruts and holes.

3 The District Engineer points out that only 1½ Miles of this road (which is 11 miles long and lies immediately north of Nellore) are in proper repair and fully metalled; it follows therefore that the available balance if the Government is pleased to sanction its expenditure will only give 300 Rupees a mile or less than half the original Estimate; but in consideration of the traffic on this the only northern road and the impassable state to which a few hours rain reduces it, I beg to recommend that the restriction be removed, and in that case the District Engineer will be instructed to reduce the width and depth of his metalling for present purposes.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

Central Office of C.W.
Fort Saint George
17 August 1858.

L Lawford Major
Officiating Chief Engineer

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Cons: 18th Nov.r 56 Nos 104 & 105
— & — 9th Sept.r 56 — 17-18.

P. Works 1858 Dept.t
Lr to Govt 4th Sept.r
No 1884

From
The Offg Chief Engineer
To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Dept.t

Dated 17th
Recd 19th August 1858.

No 2892

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Forwarding copy of a letter from the District Engineer at Nellore and requesting to remove the restriction from the item No 374 of Budget Statement No 2 Road from Nellore to Ulloor.

With one order.
No. 1865 - 10 Sept.r

No 1865.

Under the circumstances brought to notice, the Government grants authority for completing the metalling of the road from Nellore to Ulloor out of the balance of Rupees 2856 stated to be available from the Estimate sanctioned for the road.

No 374 of Buds Statement No 2 for 1858/59.

1st Mr George
10th Sept.r 58

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17th Sept.r 58