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Government of Madras.

DEPARTMENT.

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No. 47. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 11th November 1858, No. 5293.

SIR,

Adverting to the latter part of my letter No. 4731 of the 21st October 1858, requesting the attention of Government to the description given in the letter from Captin Harrington which accompanied it, of the extent to which the country between Mojogoda and Koinjooroo had been examined, I have the honor to forward, for the inspection and orders of Government, with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation of the 30th August 1858, No. 1768, Plans prepared by Mr. Mc'Cally of the Orissa agency with a wiew to the construction of a road from Russelcondah to Koinjooroo via the Kalingia pass, which have been received from the Acting District Engineer with the accompanying letter, urging the expediency of entering in the ensuing Budget the Estimate of Rupees (50,000) fifty thousand, submitted with my letter No. 2300 of the 28th July 1858, and rejected in Extract Minutes Consultation above referred to.

1 Copy of letter from Acting District Engineer of Ganjam No. 277 of 21st October 1858.
4 Plans

Letter from Captain E. H. HARRINGTON, Acting District Engineer, Ganjam; to the Chief Engineer, dated Chicacole, 21st October 1858, No. 277.

SIR,

I have the honor with reference to my letter No. 241 of 2nd Instant, to forward the Survey of the country above the Ghats, in the Khond country, between Calinghia aud Koinjooroo, surveyed and drawn by Mr. McCally on the Office Establishment of the Agent for the Hills Tracts of Orissa.

2. Though roughly done, this survey will shew that the country has been well examined. The names and sites of the villages and features of the country are indicated, and the plans shew that the road would be through level country at the foot of Hills, and chiefly dry cultivation. There is not much jungle. Poornagudda is the station of a Head of Police. Tintelghur is a large village. Material and Metal from the Hills are to be had close at hand. Altogether, I think that provided the working parties escape sickness, as may be hoped, by providing proper shelter, Medical aid, and by confining the operations to the healthy months, from November to February inclusive, very satisfactory progress may be made in two or three working seasons, if a Special Executive Officer, as proposed by you, is appointed to the work, and if it is energetically prosecuted.

3. If you think that the additional information and explanation given in this letter, and that of 2nd Instant, would induce Government, to sanction the entry of the sum of Rupees 50,000 in the Budget of 1859-60, for constructing the road from Majogoda to Koinjooroo (as indicated in the Sketch map which accompanied my letter No. 89 of 27th June 1858) I would request that the project may be again submitted for consideration. Colonel Cotton in his report on the Ganjam "District, Paras 114 to 119 has shewn the value of such passes, "as a remedy for the brutal cus- "toms of the Khonds" as "tending to give security of life and property to the inhabitants of "the frontier Talooks, and to extend the sale of salt". The recent and still existing disturbances in the Sumbhulpore District, point to the necessity for having a more direct Military communication with Russelcondah, our frontier Cantonment, and I believe this consideration alone, would recommend the project to the favorable notice of the Supreme Government.

4. The unhealthiness of the country has prevented detailed estimates, but I hope my letters prove that the country below the Ghat, the Ghat itself, and the country above the Ghaut to Koinjooroo, have all been examined, and that the estimate cannot be considered as altogether conjectural.

5. I request you will be good enough to let the 4 sheets of survey be returned to me when no longer required.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 14*th December* 1858.

No. 48. ORDER THEREON, No. 2678; dated 10th December 1858.

In Extract Minutes Consultation 30th August 1858, No. 1768, Government declined to sanction the entry in the Budget of a conjectural amount of 50,000 Rupees, to cover the cost of the proposed road between Mojogoda and Koinjoro, viâ the Kalingia Ghaut; but granted authority for expending the balance (Rupees 9,635,) of a former estimate for the line by a different route, in making a preliminary Survey to furnish data for the preparation of a detailed estimate and plan for the road. In the above letter, Colonel Lawford forwards four sheets of a Survey of the line by Mr. McCally of the Orissa Agency, and presses the subject again on the attention of Government, with the view of having the conjectural amount entered in the Budget.

2. Government would call Colonel Lawford's attention to paras. 3 and 8, of their orders of the 23rd February 1855,* No. 87, conveying the instructions of the Government of India that detailed plans and estimates of every work included in Statement No. 1 of the Budget should invariably accompany the Budget, and directing in consequence the omission in that Document of all works having no regular estimates, plans, or specifications. This Government cannot on the face of these instructions, forward an imperfect project, only because the District Engineer urges the entry of the conjectural amount, on the plea that the disturbances in the Sumbulpore District point to the necessity of having more direct Military communication with the frontier Cantonment of Russelcondah. The project of the Mojogoda and Koinjoro road must therefore be deferred pending the submission of a regular estimate and plan. In this, as in all other projects, a Sketch of the country must be submitted, as the Government of India do not desire the submission of detailed Field Surveys, which are only of use to the Executive Officer. The necessity of Sketch Maps to illustrate projects is not borne in mind by the Central Office, as projects are continually coming before the Government unaccompanied by such papers of valuable reference. An instance of such omission is now before Government in the case of the Calicut and Mundoor road, which has no Sketch Map to illustrate it. This omission should be immediately supplied.

* Page 121, of Grant's C. O. B.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 277

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From The Acting District Engineer
Ganjam

To The Chief Engineer
Fort St. George.

Sir, I have the honor with reference to my letter No. 211 of 2nd Instant, to forward the Survey of the Country above the Ghats, in the Khond Country, between Kalingia and Koinjooroo, surveyed and drawn by Mr McCally on the Establishment of the Agent for the Hills Tracts of Orissa.

2. Though roughly done, this Survey will shew that the Country has been well examined. The names and sites of the Villages and features of the Country are intricate, and the plans shew that the road would lie through level Country at the foot of Hills, and chiefly dry cultivation. There is not much jungle. Poornagudda is the Station of a Head of Police. Tindelghur is a large village. Material and Metal

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5 I request you will be good enough to let the 11 sheets of survey be returned to me when no longer required.

I have the &c
Sd/ C.H. Harington
Capt & Dy Engrs

Ganjam Distt
Aska
21st Oct 1858

Sd/ Charles A. Orr
Capt
Ag Dy Engr

Ag Supt Engr N Circle.

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Central Office of Police
Director's Office
Bombay 4th November 1858.

No. 1152/293

From
The Chief Engineer
Public Buildings

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter No. 4781 of the 27th October 1858, from the Collector of Poona, covering the address of Government to the Collector of Poona on the subject of a proposed road from Rajmachee to Kengoorsee and Kalinga, and to request that you will move Government to cause the Collector to be furnished with a plan and estimate of the proposed road.

2. I beg to state that I have examined the country between Mogzeeda and Kengoorsee and have examined, and approve the lines to be surveyed on the inspection and orders of Government, with reference to Captain Mitchell's memo. of the 30th August 1858, No. 1968, Salsette.

3. The survey is being carried on by the Principal Agency under Mr. McCalley, and I have written to the Commissioner of the Deccan Division requesting that he will move the Collector of Poona to cause the Kalingia Road to be surveyed from the existing road to Kengoorsee.

4. I have received from the Acting Assistant Engineer with the accompanying letter, a plan and estimate of the proposed road, and I beg to forward the same for the information of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Chief Engineer

Enclosures 5
1 Copy of letter from Chief Engr
2 Memo. dated 30th August 1858
3 Estimate dated 1st October 1858
4 Plans.

Public Works Department
Communication.

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Enclosure in a letter

From
The Offg. Chief Engr.

To
The Secretary to Govt.
P.W.D.

Dated 11th
Recd 13th November 1858.

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Copy of letter from the Offg. Dist. Engr. Sangam forwarding a rough original Survey of Kalingia and Kengoorsee Road prepared by Mr. McCalley of the Principal Agency.

P.W. 2707/58

Thereunto, submitted with my Letter N°. 234
of the 28th. July 1858, and rejected in Contract of
Minutes of Consultation above referred to.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
Lawford Lieut. Col.
Offg. Chief Engineer

Central Office of D.P.
Fort de Sainte Georges
11th November 1858

To
The Secretary to Government
&c. &c. &c.

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No 2678

Extract from the Minutes of Council Meeting

Under date the December 1858.

Read the following letter from the
Offg Chief Engineer.

(Here enter 11 November 1858 No 5293)

Ex Ep: Mins: Coun:
30th August 1858, No 1760, Govr
declined to sanction the entry
in the Budget of a conjectural
amount of 50,000 Rs to cover the
cost of the proposed road between
Mozagades and Kompore, via
the Kalingra Ghaut, but granted
authority for expending the
balance (Rs. 9635) of a former
estimate for the line by a differ-
ent route, in making a prelim-
inary survey to furnish data
for the preparation of a detailed
estimate & plan for the road.
In the above letter, Col Lawford
forwards four sheets of a survey
of the line by Mr McCally, of
the Orissa Agency, and repre-

Comptr's Number 1858 Public Works
Dated 15th December 1858
Received 24th

From
The Offg Chief Engr
To
The Secretary to Govt

Dated 13th December 1858
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Forwards copy of a
letter from the Offg Chief
Engineer of Cuttack and plans
referred to therein and asks
for the Orders of Government
on the proposal to open a
communication between Mozag-
ada and Kompore by the
Kalingra Ghaut.

No 2678, 10 & 11 Nov 1858.

Dec 2nd 1859

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* Page 121 of Govts C.O.B.

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more direct military communications with the Western Cantonment of Nuspelendah.

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10 Chowringhee Offg Chief Engr Dated 10th

Public Works 1858 Dept.
Dover Cons. 4th Dec.

No 2678

Extract Minutes of Cons.
Dec. 1st Dec. 1858.

From the Chief Engineer
6 Dec. 58 Co. No. 2965 in

The Report of the
Engineer & the Engineer