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*2-11-**1859..***Not to be folded or roughly handled**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
for the month of November 1859.*

No. 27. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st November 1859, No. 4455.

Read the following letter from J. BIRD, Esq., Collector of Trichinopoly; to W. HUDDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Fort St. George, dated 26th October 1859, No. 197.

1. In furtherance of my letter No. 195 of date the 21st instant, I do myself the honor to enclose an original letter, No. 778 of the 24th of this month from the District Engineer.

2. I have only to observe with reference to this letter of Captain Moberly's that, after the despatch of my report to your Board, Mr. Ricketts, the Executive officer of the 2nd circle, caused the head of the Nauth Voikall to be in part opened, and a partial supply of water has been let on the last three days. Previous to that, the channel was dry, and the crops on the fields perishing. Even now, there is only one foot and an half passing down the channel for the entire island irrigation. A supply quite insufficient.

3. I am at a loss to understand, how the District Engineer can state the Nauth Voikall "has had a continuous supply of water in it." The channel has been examined, and the paddy fields carefully inspected by the Tahsildar of the taluq, as well as by others, and their verbal report to me has ever been the same, namely, no water. Your Board know that, I am not one of those who oppose the Public Works Department, or who are ever ready to find fault with the District Engineer. And had I not been fully convinced of the necessity of bringing this deficiency of water to notice as an act of justice to the ryots, I would not have done so.

Submitted to Government in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 26th October 1859.

2. The present correspondence seems to show that although the total withdrawal of the supply of water by the Nauth Voikall has terminated, the supply afforded is still insufficient for the lands irrigated by it.

(A true Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) W. HUDDLESTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 2nd November 1859, No. 2580.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer together with the enclosures, with reference to the order of 27th October No. 2531.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

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No 778.

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I Bird Sep.
Colleton.

Sir, In reply to your No 265 of the 21st
Instant just received, I have the honor to ob-
serve that I cannot find any thing in my letter
No 766 to warrant your idea that I am not
prepared to pass down water for the irrigation of
the Ninjab lands in "Seringham" in case as I
have said that the sooner the aid we require
is afforded the sooner will the supply reach them.

2 My letter is a protest against the cus-
tom which has now become regularly establish-
ed of petitioning you and the Madras Govern-
ment on the most absurd grounds, while the
remedy is actually in the hands of the Petitioners

3 They will never learn to be independ-
ent or self-reliant if they are permitted to
clamour for Government aid at the first
appearance of a deficient supply of water.

4 My measures have been however
quite successful. the villagers were told by
me personally and by letter &c I have observed

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in my letter to you No 766 that they had only to
afford assistance and they should be sup-
plied with water. They came on the 20th to the
number of 200 men, strengthened the cross bank
of the Sant Vokol at the Head and a small
opening, affording a very fair supply was
secured by durbah rollers &c.

5. They therefore that you will for-
ward a copy of this ^{letter} to the Board of Revenue
as I see no ground for supposing, that
there will be any loss whatever of Revenue;
the Sant Vokol having had a continuous
supply of water in it even while the villagers
were asserting the utter destruction of crops
which as I told you in my No 751. 17th Dec.
last were really well supplied.

I remain yours &c
Richmond
Dist. Eng. Office
24th Oct 1854.

I have the honor to
(Signed) J. A. McChesney
Dist. Engineer

Attest
J. A. McChesney
Acting Secretary

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No. 4455.

PROCEEDINGS of the BOARD of REVENUE, dated 1st November 1859.

Read letter from the Collector of Trichinopoly, dated 26th October 1859, No. 197, enclosing an original letter from the District Engineer on the subject of deficiency of water in the Nat Voikal.
(In Con. 31st October 1859, No. 5361.)

Submitted to Government in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 26th October 1859.

2. The present correspondence seems to show that although the total withdrawal of the supply of water by the Nat Voikal has terminated, the supply afforded is still insufficient for the lands irrigated by it.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary.

To
J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.
Copy to Collector of Trichinopoly.

Exd. J. Wright.

1859 20th Nov
Enclosed in 19th Nov
to the Secy to Govt of
I. dated 1st November
1859 No. 4455.

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Letter from the
District Engineer to the
Collector of Trichinopoly
dated 26th Oct 1859
regarding the irrigation of the
Chungik lands.

N^o 4455

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 1st November 1859.

Read the following letter.

N^o 197.

From

J. Bird Esq.

Collector of Trichinopoly.

To W. Huddleston Esq.

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Fort St. George.

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N^o 195 of date the 21st Instant, I do myself
the honor to Enclose an Original letter
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District Engineer.

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that, after the despatch of my report to
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and

From 1859 to 1860
N^o 2843.

Proceedings of the Board
of Revenue.

Dated 1st

Decr 1st } November 1859

N^o 4455

Submitting in con-

tinuation of Board's Pro-
ceedings of 26th ultimo as
letter from the Collectors
of Trichinopoly on the
subject of the deficiency
of water in the Nakt-
Voikall.

and a partial supply of water has been let on the last three days. Previous to that the Channel was dry and the crops on the fields perishing. Even now there is only one foot and an half passing down the Channel for the entire Island irrigation. A supply quite insufficient.

3. I am at a loss to understand how the District Engineer can state the Nauth Voikal "has had a continuous supply of water in it." The Channel has been examined and the paddy fields carefully inspected by the Tahildar of the taluq, as well as by others, and their verbal report to me has ever been the same, namely no water. Your Board know that I am not one of those who oppose the Public Work Department, or who are ever ready to find fault with the District Engineer. And had I not been fully convinced of the necessity of bringing this deficiency of water to notice as an act of justice to the Ryots, I would not have done so.

Trichinopoly,
Collectors Office,
26th October 1857

I have &c
(Signed) J. Bird
Collector

Submitted

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in continuation of the Board's Proceedings
dated 26th October 1857.

2. The present correspondence seems to show that altho' the total withdrawal of the supply of water by the Nauth Voikal has terminated, the supply afforded is still insufficient for the lands irrigated by it.

(True Extract Copy)

J. D. Boardillon Esq.
Secretary

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Secretary to Government.
Revenue Department.

C. Cartow

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Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 1st
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Submitting a
letter from the Colls
of Oriskany in
continuation of Board's
Proceedings dated 26-
October 1859, reporting
that the withdrawal
of the supply of water
by the State of Oriskany
has terminated but that
the supply of water is
still in sufficient for
the lands irrigated by
it.

With an order

No 2580

Ordered to be con-
municated to the Oriskany
over together with the re-
sponses, and reference to
the order of 27 October
1859.

W. H. H.

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