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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 22nd March 1859.

No. 58. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department, dated 25th February 1859, No. 299.

Requesting that the road between Gooriattum and the Syenagoontah Ghaut may be metalled so as to avoid detention of the Mails during the rains. } (Vide Public Consultation, 25th February 1859, Nos. 64-65.)

No. 59. ORDER THEREON, No. 634; dated 18th March 1859.

Two* recent communications from the Chief Engineer on the subject of the road from Gooriattum to Palmanair have been communicated to the Public

* Dated 11th and 23rd February 1859, Nos. 7796 and 8097. Department with the order dated 15th March 1859 No. 583.

Copy of the foregoing Extract Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department will now be furnished to the Chief Engineer in view to the submission of an Estimate for metalling the road between Gooriattum and the Syenagoontah Ghaut, if that work has not been provided for, and if it should be considered necessary by the local Engineer.

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

No. 299.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, under date the 25th February 1859.

Read the following letter from EDWARD FANE, Esq., Officiating Post Master General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department, Fort Saint George, dated 23rd February 1859, No. 5278.

SIR,

I have the honor with reference to the Extract from Minutes of Consultation, No. 29, under date the 10th Ultimo, to append for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council Extract (paras. 3 to 5) from a report No. 73, dated 4th Instant from the Superintendent of Mail Carts, and strongly to recommend that the road between Goriatam and the Syenagunta Ghât may be metalled so as to avoid detention of the Mails during the rains.

Extract from a letter from the Superintendent of Cart Mails, to the Officiating Post Master General, Madras, dated 4th February 1859, No. 73.

3. "From the foot of the Ghât to the Railway terminus at Goorriattum, the road is excellent, but to keep it good during the rains, it ought to be metalled. If this is not done, it will become very heavy, and I would beg to suggest that the necessity of metalling this part of the road may be urged on Government."

4. "From this place, to the top of the Ghât, the road is also excellent. Throughout indeed from here to the Railway terminus it is very much better than our present line via Chittoor. There is however a dangerous nullah about five miles from here still unbridged. If it were not for this, I would recommend that this line be at once taken up for the conveyance of the mail. By it we should save seventeen miles in distance to the Railway terminus, and a like number of horses, besides having a much better road."

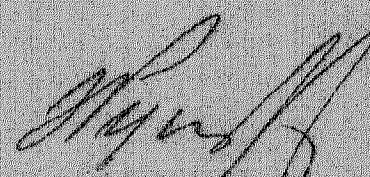
5. "Captain Clay promises to have the nullah above referred to passable for the Mail Cart in all this month. After it is so, I would recommend that the horses be at once removed to that line."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) EDWARD FANE,
Offg. Post Master General.

Order.—Forwarded to the Department of Public Works, in reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, 10th Ultimo, No. 29.

(True Extract and Copies.)


Chief Secretary.

To the Department Public Works.
" Officiating Post Master General.

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