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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,  
for the month of March 1860.*

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No. 62. Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 9th March 1860, No. 11,195:—

I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, with reference to their Notification dated the 27th February last, the accompanying letter\*  
\* Dated 2nd March 1860, No. 336. from the District Engineer of Tanjore, representing the impracticability with members of the Public Works Department when away 20 or 30 miles from the nearest Post Office of sending a clerk to see their letters to their superior Officers or their Subordinates weighed and registered.

2. The District Engineer brings to notice that the members of his Department while travelling through their Ranges are often removed 20 or 30 miles from a Tappal station, and that it will be impossible for them to send a clerk daily to register their letters—that many of the Subordinates have no clerks, and others only one, who could not be spared to carry letters any great distance for the only purpose of getting their letters weighed.

3. The circumstances of this Department are such that many of its members may be at a distance of 10 miles from even a Mulk Tappal station; and in such case it must be impracticable to send a clerk or trustworthy person to see their letters weighed and registered.

4. The District Engineer suggests that Post Masters may be permitted to make the necessary entries in the Post Books of Executive Officers and Agents; but as this appears to be incompatible with the intent of the Notification above referred to, I beg to solicit the Orders of Government.

5. I am of opinion that in all cases where it is practicable the Orders of Government should be strictly attended to, but that where it is not, some imperfection in the registry must be allowed; and I, therefore, recommend that either the regular and Mulki Post Offices may be required to grant receipts specifying the weight of letters received for Post, or the District Engineer's suggestion, to require them to make at once the necessary entries in the Post Books of Executive Officers and Agents, be attended to.

No. 63. ORDER THEREON, 16th March 1860, No. 546.

Referred to the Public Department.

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

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Central Office of Public Works  
Séparéam 9<sup>th</sup> March 1860.

N<sup>o</sup> 11195

From  
The Chief Engineer  
To  
The Secretary to Government  
Public Works Department

Sir,

Public,

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Encl<sup>d</sup> letter

+ 8/5 March/60

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I have the honor to be Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

A. Lill Colonel.

Chief Engineer.

Central Office of P. M.  
Sapatikam  
9<sup>th</sup> March 1860.

Lt. Col. Lill  
D. Chief Eng. in charge of the

L. Lill

Wm. A. 1860  
Pro: of 20th March.

from  
The Great Engineer  
at the starting of the  
Cable Route Right

Pro: of the Madras Govt  
in the Public Dept  
720/18/60 & 1. 1885 in  
Road No. 131/18/1  
1720/18/4-

Date 9<sup>th</sup> March 1860  
Dec 10

No. 1/18/18/1

It is to be seen that  
the Government of the  
Madras Govt. has been  
very kind and respectful  
in the matter of the  
Cable Route Right.

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As in 1860

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