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No. 2. Read the following Endorsement of the Chief Engineer, dated Chepauk, 7th January 1862, No. 9,021.

Read the following letter from J. D. ROBINSON, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Chief Engineer, dated Poini Anicut, 4th December 1861, No. 275 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Proceedings of Government with Orders thereon, dated 27th November 1861, No. 2,188, communicated to me on the 30th idem, by the Deputy Chief Engineer Central Circle, I beg most respectfully to ask of Government a re-consideration of the order in question on the following grounds :—

(1.) That the road from Puttur to Pallepat is in the strictest sense of the word a Railway feeder, a class of work which Government has undertaken to provide at the public cost.

(2.) That it is scarcely fair to charge to the local fund the annual maintenance of a road situated entirely within a Zamíndári which contributes nothing.

(3.) That the local road of which it in fact forms an extension has already been objected to on this very ground when its construction was defended as constituting a connecting link between the Head Quarters of the District, and the nearest point on the Cuddapah Railroad; and as being therefore a most important and desirable addition to our net work of communications.

(4.) That the rate payers naturally expect that the fund will be expended on works which *immediately* benefit themselves, and view with jealousy and distrust any diversion of such money to remote localities which do not contribute.

(5.) That the circumstance of the road having been made with local funds in the first instance might be urged rather as creating a claim to re-fund of what has been spent, than as a reason for burdening the fund with a heavy annual charge.

(6.) That owing to the unfavorable character of the two last seasons, the fund has fallen off, and hardly suffices to meet fresh requirements, and to provide for the maintenance and repair of a rapidly extending net work of most useful and highly appreciated district roads.

2. With this explanation, I beg you will submit to Government with your opinion my respectful remonstrance against the order referred to in the 1st paragraph of this letter.

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1. Submitted to Government with reference to their Proceedings, No. 2,188, dated 27th November 1861.

2. Considering that the road in question is a Railway feeder, that it is situated in a Zamíndári for the improvement of which, clearly, District funds were not contributed, and that the local collections are found to be barely sufficient to meet the legitimate purpose for which they were made, the Chief Engineer concurs with the Collector in thinking that the road should be maintained out of the general funds, and he begs to reiterate the recommendation contained in his Endorsement, No. 7,173, dated 14th November 1861.

] Letter from the Collector of North Arcot, No. 275, dated 4th December 1861.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Chief Engineer.

No. 3. ORDER THEREON, 11th January 1862, No. 2.

As the road is entirely within a Zamíndári it will be maintained from the general revenue and not from the local fund.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Chief Engr. and Secy. to Govt., D.P.W.

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Your most obed Servt

Collector

Ext Rev Dept
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N° 275

North Arcot
Collectors Kachari
Poiné ankat 4th December
1861

From J D Robinson Esqr.
Collector of North Arcot

To Lieutt Colonel W H Horseley
Chief Engineer Department
Public Works.
Fort St George

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Puttur to Pallepat
Repairs 1861
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From
J D Robinson Esqr
Collector of North Arcot
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To
Lieut Colonel W H Horseley
Chief Engineer
and Secretary
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Fort St George

Dated Fort St George
the 31st December 1861

Rec'd 2nd January 1862
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No. 9021.

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Encl:
Letter from the
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No. 275 of 6th Inst.

Central Office of P.W.
Chepauk
7th January 1862.

A.B. L.Cobb
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Fort St George
11th Jany 1862

13 Copy to Dy C. Engr
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14 — Do — of Rev. Dept No 13

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From No 22
Lt Col. W. H. Horsley
Chief Engineer
To
J. D. Sim Esquire
Secy to Govt P.W.
Fort St George
From the Dy. Ch. Engr
D/30th Decr/62 No 2020

Dated 7th Jany/62
Recd 10th
No 2. 11th Jany

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Submits a letter received from the Collr of N. Arcot and Recommends that under the Circumstances therein stated that the road from Polur to Pallipet be maintained from the General Funds of the District —

With an order

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