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**Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
22nd June 1863.**

No. 493. Read the following letter from Captain O. W. S. CHAMBERS, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer 1st Division, to Colonel W. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary
to Government, Department Public Works, dated Waltair, 5th June 1863, No. 165:—

Sir,

1. Government in their Order No. 896 of 13th April 1863, requested to be informed by
the Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle, what portion of the
Nellore and Calcutta Road is traversable by Mail Carts.

Enclosures 2.

2. No call appears to have been made upon the Acting District Engineer Godavery, it
being, I imagine, a well understood fact that no portion of Trunk Road No. VI in that
Collectorate is traversable by a Mail Cart.

3. The District Engineers of Vizagapatam and Ganjam answered the question asked them,
each on the 28th April; these letters* were sent to Madras,

* No. 1,765, from District Engineer, Vizagapatam, detained there many days and eventually returned to this Office:
No. 480, from District Engineer, Ganjam, they are annexed.

4. It appears that whilst in Vizagapatam there are a few
miles here and there made, much of the line is unmade and more unbridged. It will take an
expenditure of above two lacs before a Mail Cart can be put upon the road.

5. In Ganjam with the exception of two unbridged rivers, that of Calingapatam and that
of Ganjam, the whole of the Trunk Road to the Bengal frontier, a distance of 150 miles, is
declared by the Acting District Engineer to be bridged throughout; 71 miles are metalled and
nearly 73 miles are of a sandy nature, of a soil which does not cut up in the monsoon.

6. Captain Philipps has since sent in an estimate for the metalling of these 79 miles,
amounting to Rupees 16,500.

7. Under these circumstances, in my opinion, the Districts of Godavery and Vizagapatam
on the line of communication from Madras to Calcutta may be pronounced to be not traversable
for Mail Carts, whilst the establishing of a line of Mail Carts in Ganjam would appear to be, to
say the least of it, premature.

No. 494. ORDER THEREON, 22nd June 1863, No. 1,624.

Communicated to the Public Department in continuation of Public Works Proceedings of
9th June 1863, No. 1,473.

(Signed) W. I. BIRDWOOD, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

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has a plan
The City Ch. Eng^r
has the rule
Dated 18th
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He says that the land
is not located in the
District is not transferable
by a bail bond.
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—*From*

The Dy. District Engineer
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To
The Dy. Chief Engineer
Northern Circle

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No 480,

Replies to Memo No. 703, dated
17th April 1863, requesting in-
formation as to what portion
of the Calcutta Road from
Bellory is traversable by
Mail Carriage.

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and, detained there many days
and eventually returned to this Office:
they are annexed.

I have for
 W. B. Chandler (Capt. R. G.)
 North St. N. Y.

N. 165

Supergr. Dep't Office 1-100
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to
Captain W. S. Chambers R.E.
Supergr. Engineer R.E.
Colonel W. B. Benson R.E.
Secretary to Government
Department Public Works

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Government, in their order
N. 896 of 15th April 1863, requested to be
informed by the Dy. Chief Engineer &c
what portion of the Bellare and
Calcutta Road is traversable by
rail carts.

2. To call appears to have been made upon the Lg. restriction Godavery, it being, I imagine, a well understood fact that no portion of Trunk Road N^o VI in that collection is traversable by a mail fast.

3. The District Engineer of Vizagapatnam and Ganjam answered the question asked them, each on the 28th April; these letters were sent to Madras, detained there many days and eventually returned to this Office: they are annexed.

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4. It appears that whilst in Vizagapatam there are a few miles here and there made, much of the line is unmade and more unbridged. It will take an expenditure of about 2 Lacs before a Mail Cart can be put upon the Road.

5. In Ganjam, with the exception of two unbridged Rivers, that of Calingapatam and that of Ganjam, the whole of the Trunk Road to the Bengal frontier, a distance of 100 miles is declared by the Sd. District Officer to be bridged throughout; 71 miles are metalled and nearly 73 miles are of a sandy nature, of a soil which does not cut up in the monsoon.

6. Captain Philipps has since sent in an Estimate for the metalling of these 73 miles, amounting to Rs 6500.

7. Under these circumstances, in my opinion, the Districts of Godavery and Vizagapatam on the line of Communication from Madras to Calcutta may be pronounced to be

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not traversable for Mail Carts, whilst the establishing of a line of Mail Carts in Ganjam would appear to be, to say the least of it, premature.

Yours truly
The Hon. Secy to Govt

Your most obedt Servt

W. Chamberlain Secy to Govt
Sd. Chamberlain

Pro: 13th April 1863
No 181-182

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