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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th October 1864.*

No. 331. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue
Department:—

Recording Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, submitting
with their remarks, the Annual Public Works Report of the } (Here enter 13th October 1864, No. 1,881.)
Collector of Madura for 1863-64.

No. 332. ORDER THEREON, 19th October 1864, No. 3,002.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th October 1864.

No. 139. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th September 1864, No. 6,394.

Read the following letter from V. H. LEVINGE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 12th September 1864, No. 256 :—

1. In submitting my Annual Public Works Report for 1863-64, with a detailed Statement prepared according to the usual form showing the whole expenditure on all descriptions of works, I beg to subjoin an abstract Comparative Statement, from which the Board will observe that the expenditure during the year under report exceeds that of 1862-63, by Rupees 24,107-1-1, which increase has for the most part been laid out in improving roads :—

ITEMS.	Expenditure of 1862-63.			Expenditure of 1863-64.			COMPARISON.					
							Increase.			Decrease.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
NEW WORKS.												
Irrigation	...	...	...	264	11	4	264	11	4	...	...	...
Communication	52,455	0	0	38,048	0	1	...	...	...	14,306	15	11
Buildings	7,661	0	0	5,831	8	9	...	...	...	1,829	7	3
Miscellaneous	157	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	157	0	0
Total... ..	60,273	0	0	44,114	4	2	264	11	4	15,293	7	2
REPAIRS.												
Irrigation	18,204	0	0	23,021	9	3	4,817	9	3	...	...	...
Communication	57,208	0	0	72,151	7	9	34,943	7	9	...	...	...
Buildings	2,515	0	0	1,890	11	11	...	...	...	624	4	1
Total	57,927	0	0	97,063	12	11	39,760	1	0	624	4	1
	1,18,200	0	0	1,41,208	1	1	40,024	12	4	15,917	11	3

Net... .. 24,107 1 1

2. During the year Rupees 264 were expended on new irrigational works; these were works of necessity and improvement, which would not lead to any increase of revenue from their construction.

3. Of Rupees 38,048 laid out on communications, Rupees 29,320 was expended on roads leading to the salt pans and sea-ports, and the rest on a bridge which is being built across the Shanmuga Nadi river, on cutting the inner angle of the reef channel and completing the sand bank channel at Pamben.

The Statement in the margin shows the expenditure on the different lines of road leading to the salt pans and sea-ports; the road from Madura to Ramnad, as I have seen myself, has been much improved; the expenditure on the road from Vuttanum to Cottamputty is almost useless from want of completion of bridges, &c, to enable cartmen to get on the made parts. The other roads are much improved I am informed; but I have not been over them myself.

	RS.	A.	P.
Road from Madura to Tondy	8,942	14	5
Do. from Vuttanum to Cottamputty	5,633	9	10
Do. between Layelgoody and Camudy	231	2	5
Do. from Madura to Ramnad	4,212	10	7
Do. from Tondy to 5th mile stone east of Sivagangah	10,300	0	0
Total... ..	29,320	5	3

BUILDINGS, Rupees 5,831.

5. This sum was chiefly expended in putting the Police, constructing Police station houses, and seven subsidiary jails at different Sub-Magistrate's offices in the District, which has been a great relief to the Police, and to prisoners, who before had to be escorted to the Madura jail from great distances to undergo short sentences of imprisonment. Rupees 360 was laid out

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on building a compound wall to the burying ground at Ramnad, which had been demolished by Mr. Hayes, late Deputy Collector, stationed at that place.

REPAIRS, Rupees 97,063-12-11.

6. The expenditure under this general item exceeds that of last year by Rupees 39,135-12-11, which excess mainly occurs in repairs to roads; the expenditure on the repair of roads this year is nearly double what it was last year, and from my own observation I can say the main lines of road through the District have been much improved.

7. The road from the Trichinopoly to the Tinnevely boundary, called the trunk road, is first rate, it is about 64 miles in length, and on it altogether 21,500 Rupees have been spent this year.

8. The road from Madura towards Dindigul, and to the foot of the Pulny Hills has been much improved; something has been done to the cotton road between Tirumangalam and Pulny, but much is still wanted.

9. In irrigation works there is an increase of outlay of Rupees 4,817 above last year. Rupees 16,377-1-8 was laid out on tanks, and Rupees 6,644-7-7 on the channels feeding them. The expenditure was made for the maintenance of these works, and not with a view to increase their capacity, nor to extend the present cultivated area.

10. Rupees 1,002-12-9 is, according to the enclosed Statement, laid out on repairs of salt works; but this expenditure includes a sum of Rupees 500, spent on a branch road leading to Vuttanum salt pan. Besides the above amount, the sum of Rupees 2,375-14-0 was expended on salt works, as shown in my letter to the Board, No. 164, dated 30th June 1864.

ENCLOSURE- No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Report of progress of Maramut works during the year 1863-64, in the District of Madura.

1. Submitted for the information of Government. Attention is requested to the Collector's remarks on the road from Vuttanum to Cottiampatty.

2. As a Progress Report it must be deemed satisfactory, but the Collector is requested in future reports to state how far he considers that the needs of his District in regard to irrigation works, roads, and public buildings have been supplied, and in what direction special efforts are needed.

No. 140.

ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1864, No. 1,881.

Miscellaneous.

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(True Extract.)

C. J. Master
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Department Public Works.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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