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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th February 1864.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 213. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Railway Department:—

Communicating letter from the Agent, Great Southern of India Railway, intimating that the Salt trade over the Railway from Negapatam into the interior has entirely ceased, owing to the inability of the Merchants to obtain a supply of saleable Salt from the Government Depot. (Here enter 4th February 1864, No. 67.)

No. 214. From Captain J. BEAN, R. E., Officiating Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Cunnitope, 1st February 1864, No. 1,703.

SIR,

1. I have had the honor to receive the letter of credit apportioning funds to this Division for the month of February 1864, and dated 22nd ultimo, No. 119, in 2nd paragraph of which you have remarked that it does not appear that the sum of Rupees 10,000 sanctioned in Government Order No. 1,357, dated 28th May 1863, has been added to the allotment for Tanjore.

2. With reference to this remark I would observe that this Order is quoted in the second item after the Budget allotment and has a sum of Rupees 13,000 set opposite to it, Captain Foord having supposed that this Order and that of the 30th November 1863, No. 3,511, conjointly sanctioned a sum of Rupees 13,000 for the Vedarniem canal, this latter sum having been given in supercession of, and not in addition to, the sum of Rupees 10,000 first allotted.

3. The late Superintending Engineer having been under this impression gave no instructions to the Range Officer for the additional outlay, but on carefully reading over the above Orders and that of the 21st November 1863, No. 3,407, I am led to believe that the amount sanctioned in the first allotment* is not cancelled by that in the second,† but that both sums are at our disposal.

4. Owing to Captain Foord's misapprehension on the subject, the extra sum of Rupees 10,000 was not entered in the Statements which accompanied my letter‡ as per margin, showing the probable expenditure and unexpended balances on sanctioned Estimates to the close of the official year.

5. The whole sum of Rupees 13,000 I trust may be expended on the canal from Vedarniem to Topetoray, in the current year, though I regret to find from personal inspection that the work has not progressed favorably owing to the small outlay incurred previous to the late monsoon. The other sum of Rupees 10,000 for the extension of the line to the Vallyaur River, however, cannot be expended, for I had only an opportunity two days ago of starting the work, nothing having been effected previously towards its progress. By energetic operations, and by procuring the cut-stone casings of the large masonry work by pulling down the old Fert material at Tanjore and transmitting it by Railway train to Negapatam, I hope to get sufficient advancement made for an outlay of 5,000 Rupees.

	RS.	A.	P.
Expenditure in 1862-63	1,023	7	5
Do. do. to 31st January 1864	4,947	2	7
Total	5,970	10	0

6. The remaining Rupees 5,000, with the sanction of Government, can be transferred to the Trichinopoly District for the repairs§ of the temporary European Barracks and the renewing|| of the floors with plank-ing, Estimates for which amounting to Rupees 15,500 were sanctioned in Government Order No. 169 of the 16th January 1864, and a sum of Rupees 10,000 allotted as a first instalment by transfer from the Nellore District.

§ Rupees 4,650

|| Rupees 10,850

No. 215. ORDER THEREON, 9th February 1864, No. 412.

1. In Proceedings No. 163, dated 20th January 1863, the Government sanctioned an Estimate amounting to Rupees 13,000 for a canal from the Vedarniem Salt Pans to the Adipar at Topetoray. A sum of Rupees 1,023 having been expended on the work up to 30th April

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1863, a grant of Rupees 10,000 was sanctioned on the 28th May* following, and in the Order marginally noted, the balance of the Estimate, viz., Rupees 1,977, was placed at the disposal of the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, from the current year's Reserve.

2. In Proceedings No. 3,511, dated 30th November last, another Estimate amounting to Rupees 22,565 was sanctioned for completing the canal to Negapatam, and Rupees 13,000 were allotted for expenditure on the work during the current year.

3. It will thus be seen that the allotments for the current year for the two portions of the canal from Vedarniem to Negapatam are as follows:—

From Vedarniem to Topetoray.	...	...	...	...	Rs.
For extension to Negapatam	...	...	...	...	11,977
	...	...	...	...	13,000

4. The Superintending Engineer is therefore in error in supposing that the allotment for the first portion of the canal is Rupees 13,000, and for the second Rupees 10,000.

5. Captain Bean's attention will be requested to the Orders in the Financial Railway Department recorded above, and to those noted in the margin, and he will be informed that the Governor in Council attaches the greatest importance to the early completion of the water communication from the Vedarniem Salt Pans to Negapatam, and to the expenditure in full of the sums allotted for the two portions of the canal during the current official year.

6. On the receipt of these orders, Captain Bean will report whether arrangements might not be made advantageously to expend by the 30th April next the entire grant of Rupees 24,977.

7. Rupees 9,565 have been provided in the Budget for 1864-65 on the Estimate for Rupees 22,565 alluded to in paragraph 2.

8. Captain Bean will be reminded that under the Orders of Government No. 1,748, dated 3rd July 1863, the arrangement proposed in paragraph 6 of his letter will require the sanction of the Government of India.

(True Extract)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division,
with G.O. No. 67, dated 4th February 1863, Financial Railway Department.
" Controller.
" Revenue Department.
" Financial Railway Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

**FINANCIAL RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.**

Read the following letter from W. S. BETTS, Esq., Agent, Great Southern of India Railway; to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras, dated Negapatam, 19th January 1864, No. 1004.

I regret I have to report, for the information of Government, that the Salt trade over this Railway from Negapatam into the interior has entirely ceased, owing to the inability of the merchants to obtain a supply of saleable Salt from the Government Depot.

2. As the State makes up the difference between the 5 per cent. Railway guarantee, and the sum earned for the carriage of traffic, the Government are losing about Rupees 500 per week while this trade is stopped.

No. 37.

Observations by the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Forwarded for the information of Government, with reference to their Proceedings in the Revenue Department of the 13th August last, No. 1494.
(Signed) P. P. L. O'CONNELL, Captain, R. E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

MADRAS, 23rd January 1864.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

ORDER THEREON, 4th February 1864, No. 67.

Communicated to the Revenue and Public Works Departments.

(True Extract.)

H. J. Austin
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Public Works do. ✓

Exd. J. Tulloch.

H. J. Austin

No 412
Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 9th February 1864.

Read the following papers

Steps of Govt in the Financial
Railway Dept.

Communicating letter from the
Agent, Great Southern of India Railway
intimating that the salt-trade over the
Railway from Negapatnam into the
interior has entirely ceased, owing to the
inability of the merchants to obtain a
supply of salable salt from the Govt
Depot.

(Here enter 11 February 1864
No 67)

From the Superintending Engineer B. D.
Offering explanation as to the cause of
the Rs 10000 variation in G. C. No 1357
of the 13th May 1863 not having been added
to the allotment of Tanjore.

(Here enter 1st do No 1703)

In Proceedings No.
163 dated 20 January
1863, the Govt sanctioned
an estimate amounting
to Rupees 13000 for a Canal
from the Nedamuni
Salt-Pans to the Adifor
at Tiptoray. A sum
of Rupees 1023 having
been expended on
the work up to 30 April
1863, a grant of
Rs 10000 was sanctioned
on the 28 May following
and in the Order origi-
nally noted, the balance

+ No 1357.

381. 7/6 Feb 1864.

11/7 1864
Pro. of Govt on 11 February

No 572

Pro. of Govt on 11 February

Financial Railway

Depot

Patent for
Revenue

11/7 1864
Pro. of Govt on 11 February

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merchants to obtain a supply
of salable salt from the
Govt Depot.

1st Estimate, Vol. 10,
1977 was placed at
the disposal of the S. E.
6-Da from the current
Grants Reserve.

2 In Proc No 3571 dated
30 November last, another
estimate amounting
to Rs 22585 was sanctioned
for completing the canal
to Nagapattanam and
Rs 13000 were allotted
for expenditure ^{on the work} during
the current year.

3 It will thus be
seen that the allotments
for the current year for
the two portions of
the canal from Nedar
micin to Nagapattanam
are as follows.

From Nedarmicin to Wpetray Rs 11,977
From Wpetray to Nagapattanam Rs 13000

4 The Super Engineer
is therefore in error
in supposing that
the allotment for the
first portion of the
canal is Rs 13000 &
that for the second Rs 11,977.

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5 Captain Beams
attention will be
requested to the
orders in the 1st Finl
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recorded volume
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that the Govt in final
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of the ^{water communication from} ~~canal~~ ^{the}
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full of the sums
allotted for the
two portions ^{of the canal} during
the current Off-
Year.

6 On the receipt
of these orders, Capt
Beams will report
whether arrangements
might not be made
advantageously to expend of the 30 April
next the entire grant
of Rs 24,977.

On 9565 have
been provided in
the Budget for 1864/65
on the rate for Rs 22565
alluded to in para 2

8. Captain Beam
will be reminded
that under the rules
of Govt No 1748 dated
3 Feb 63, the arrange-
ment proposed in
para 6 of his letter
will require the sanction
of the Govt of India.

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To the Secy to Govt
To the Comptroller
To the Secy to Govt
To the Finl. Deptt

1864 Depa
No. of Govt. for July

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D/9 July/64

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Kagapattam, Sijore
Dist., and to the expen-
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sums allotted for the
two portions of the Canal
during 1863/64.

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