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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th December 1864.*

No. 102. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department :—

Sanctioning, from the District Road Fund, the estimates amounting to Rupees 8,000 and 4,000, respectively, for repairing the road from Chowghát to Tirtalla, and for improving the road from Quilandy to the back-water in the Malabar District. (Here enter 30th November 1864, No. 2,181.)

No. 103. ORDER THEREON, 6th December 1864, No. 3,483.
Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, for information and guidance.
(True Extract.)
(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
30th November 1864.

No. 356. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th October 1864' No. 7,034.

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 9th and 16th September 1864, Nos. 5,883 and 6,140.
Read also the following letter from G. A. BALLARD Esq., Collector of Malabar, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 13th October 1864, No. 260 :—

Dated 9th, 12th, and 16th September 1864, Nos. 5,883, 5,968, and 6,140.

1. Adverting to the Board's Proceedings noted, I have the honor to submit a Statement shewing how the District Road Fund accounts of this District now stand with explanatory remarks as under.

2. A much larger amount has been found to be available for expenditure in 1864-65 since the submission of my District Road Fund Budget for that year than was then anticipated.

3. The probable receipts of the current year from ferries were estimated at Rupees 50,000. The ferry farms actually sold in June last for Rupees 63,872.*

4. Rupees 27,793 were estimated as the probable unexpended balance at the commencement of 1864-65. The actual balance amounted to Rupees 37,558†.

5. After submission of the Budget the Department Public Works brought to my notice that it could not efficiently expend on the Tuta bridge during the current year more than Rupees 10,000. Rupees 18,000 had been entered in the Budget for this work. Rupees 8,000‡ consequently became disposable for other works.

† Rupees ...	8,000
§ „ ...	4,000
Total ...	12,000

Rupees 4,000§ entered for the bridge of boats at Biliapatam had also to be transferred, as the project of a bridge of boats was, on further consideration and communication with the Executive Engineer, abandoned.

6. Of Rupees 5,050 entered in the original Budget for miscellaneous petty repairs, I believe Rupees 4,000 will be an ample sum to retain in hand.||

7. Rupees 5,000 were entered originally for maintenance allowance on roads to be fixed by the Superintending Engineer and Collector. On further consideration I think this sum will be more efficiently expended on regular estimates, as I may say none of the lines of road are sufficiently complete to admit of the profitable distribution of simple maintenance. In this I know the Superintending Engineer agrees with me.

Leaving Rupees 5,000.

8. Thus it will be seen that a sum of Rupees 41,687 became available for expenditure in 1864-65. Immediately on discovering this I set about calling for estimates for execution of the most useful works; and these as they came in, I submitted for the sanction of the Board for execution in the current year. I considered their submission necessary, as the estimates had not been included in the Budget.

It will be seen by the enclosed Statement that estimates aggregating Rupees 31,363 have been submitted since the Budget was sent in; that of these estimates aggregating Rupees 11,171 have been sanctioned, and are in course of being carried out. The works in the estimates noted are also being carried out, although formal sanction has not been accorded, as they are of an emergent nature. I beg they may now be sanctioned.

9. It will be seen that after deducting the amounts above specified, a sum of Rupees* 14,407 remains unappropriated. I have called for sundry further estimates, and on receipt will submit them, if to be executed this year; separately if next year, when I submit my Budget for 1865-66.

1. Repairing ...	264
2. Do. Tirupandi Bridge...	470
3. Do. Road from Malliapurom to Wand...	800
4. Do. Road from Kallai to Beypore...	1,000
Total ...	2,534

* i. e., Rupees 31,363 and Rupees 2,534.
Total Rupees 32,897.
Reserve ... Rupees 6,792
Balance ... „ 7,615
Total ... 14,407

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10. Referring to the 3rd paragraph of the Board's Proceedings, dated 9th September 1864, No. 5,883, I beg to state that as no funds are available from the Imperial funds this year for the maintenance of the coast road, the cost of the necessary repairs to it must be met from the District Road Fund. It will be classed as an Imperial road in and from 1865-66.

11. I beg that the estimates submitted but not yet sanctioned may be passed and returned as soon as possible, as the season is now very favorable for working.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement shewing how the District Road Fund accounts of the District for 1864-65 stand.

1. Ordered that the above papers be submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 12th September 1864, No. 5,968, and with reference to Government Order, dated 21st idem, No. 1,731.

2. The Board sanction the execution of the works estimated to cost less than Rupees 2,000 each. The remaining works not already sanctioned require the sanction of Government under the rules.

3. As the repairs of the Coast road in the current year must be met from Local Funds, the Ferry receipts on that line of road should be credited to this special expenditure.

4. The Board observe that in the Collector's enclosed "Statement shewing how the District Road Fund accounts stand," Mr. Ballard has provided only Rupees 10,000 for superintendence under the Government Order, declaring that ten per cent. shall be allowed for this purpose.

5. For the current year, however and pending the orders of the Supreme Government on the reference made on the subject, the Malabar District must bear its share of the original amount of Rupees 75,000, charged by the Supreme Government to the Local Funds of this Presidency. This share is Rupees 13,030, or Rupees 3,030 more than Mr. Ballard has allowed, but as his distribution of available funds leaves Rupees 7,615 surplus, the necessity of providing for the larger charge will not affect his proposals.

No. 357. ORDER THEREON, 30th November 1864, No. 2,181.

Miscellaneous.

* Submitted with Board's Proceedings, 12th in G. O. 21st September 1864, No. 1,731.

1. The estimates appertaining to the Malabar District Road Fund, now before the Government for sanction, are those* for repairing the road from Chowghat to Tirtalla, and for improving the road from Quilandy to the backwater. These estimates amounting respectively to Rupees 8,000 and 4,000 are now sanctioned, and authority is granted for the execution of the works, funds for the purpose being available.

2. With reference to paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Board's present Proceedings, it is observed that the Government of India have agreed† to the charge on account of Public Works superintendence being reduced from 18½ to 10 per cent., the reduction taking effect with the accounts for 1863-64 inclusive.

(True Extract.)

E. J. L. S. S.
Under Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Pro. of Govt. for Decimals
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Of 21 Nov/64
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No. 2181

Sanctioning from the
District Road Fund the
Estimates amounting to
Rs. 8,000 & 4,000 respectively
for repairing the road
from Beharhat to Titalla
and improving the
road from Dulandiy
to the Bakhmat in
the Malabar District.

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