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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 2nd May 1864.

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3. As Captain Moberly observes, the road from Tiroomungalum to Coimbatore frontier is a very important one, especially in a commercial point of view. Although the Government have sanctioned the work, it cannot be executed as no funds were provided for it in the Budget.

4. The outlay on the Paumben Reef Channel will not benefit the Madura District alone. It is not fair to deprive it of its requisite share in the general allotment, on the ground that a large sum has been allowed for the Paumben Channel work.

5. The Board are aware that the roads in this District require considerable improvement. I therefore beg the intercession of the Board to induce the Government to allot additional funds for road-making in this District.

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2. The Budget total is made up to the average of other Districts by the entry of Rupees 15,000 for the Paumben Reef Channel, but I beg to submit to Government that this work is one that concerns other Districts quite as much, if not even more than, it does Madura.

3. It would seem but reasonable, therefore, that this work should be considered independently of the District generally, and that some further allotment should be made for the construction of roads in which it is sadly deficient, the Government were pleased in their No. 3,453 of 25th November 1863, to sanction the Estimate which I submitted with the concurrence of the Collector for the important road from Tiroomungalum to the Coimbatore frontier, important actually as the line of transport for Cotton and as a Railway feeder, in which latter capacity its value will be probably increased when the Great Southern of India Railway is continued to Caroor and Errode.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. J. MOBERLY.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) Æ. R. McDONELL, Acting Collector.

Submitted for the consideration of His Excellency in Council through the Secretary to Government in the Department Public Works. The Board can fully confirm Mr. McDonell's remarks as to the importance of providing his District with internal communications. The Paumben Channel works should certainly not be charged against the Madura District. The Board question the propriety of charging them against the Madras Presidency.

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No. 10. ORDER THEREON, 2nd May 1864, No. 1,218.

1. The Board of Revenue will be furnished with a copy of the Orders* passed on Captain Moberly's letter No. 1,967, dated 29th February 1864, and they will be informed that as the sums applied for by the Superintending Engineers in the Divisional Budgets for 1864-65 far exceeded the allotment for this Presidency, and as it was necessary to make due provision, in the first instance for works which were likey to remain incomplete at the close of the current official year, the Government had no alternative, in distributing the amount to be assigned, but to exclude, with but few exceptions, from the General Budget submitted to the Government of India on the 6th February last, all works upon which no outlay had yet been incurred, and amongst them the road from Tiroomungalum to the Coimbatore boundary as well as other projects in the Madura District.

* No. 740, dated 11th March 1864.

2. The Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, has however been informed that the Government would be prepared to consider any application that he might make after the 1st [illegible] for funds for works which it may be advisable to undertake in 1864-65, and that the necessary grants would then be made for them from the Reserve.

(True Extract.)

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

To
The Board of Revenue
With G. O. No. 740 dated
11th March 1864.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To Colonel C. A. Orr, R. E., Secretary to Government, P. W. D.
Copy to V. H. Levinge, Esq., Collector of Madura.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Public Works Department

Dated 10th April 1864.

Rd. 23 & c.

No. 2,379.

Ltr. 12/18-2nd May/64.

Submitting for consideration letter from the Acting Collector of Madura forwarding an extract of a letter of the Sub Engineer 8th Division to Government applying for the allotment of funds for new roads in the District, as no provision for such works was made in the Budget for 1864-65.

Rec'd 1st May 1864. Department. Public Works.

No. 1810

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12/18 Public Works Department

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Under date the 2nd May 1864

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To the Bd of Rev with GO No 740 of 11 March 64

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Pet. of the Aldermen
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Recommending the provision of funds in the Budget of 1864/65, for new roads in the District.

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