

(1) Number of pages 6

(2) Date of repair 11-11-1962

(3) Initials of the Referencer _____

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1000	Press
		~~Mis.~~
220-221		
Dated	12. 4.	1865.

Not to be folded or roughly handled

10

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th April 1865.*

No. 220. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Civil Works—Communications), to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, in the Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 8th March 1865, No. 288 C:—

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 3,635, dated the 9th December 1863, forwarding correspondence regarding the construction of a Grand Junction Canal from the Oopootair river to Cocanada in the Godavery District, and in reply to state that, as the Madras Government does not recommend the project for definite execution, it is unnecessary for the Government of India to go into it. The plans and estimates are therefore returned; but I am to observe that, before the project could be sanctioned, the Government of India must be satisfied that it is accepted in its engineering details and probable cost by the chief advisers of the Government of Madras; also that the anticipated returns from the traffic are based on facts. There is no evidence on this last point, and nothing in the papers to show that the Government of Madras has been placed in a better position to judge of the merits of the project in this respect than the Government of India. It may be, however, that the project has not been considered in this light, navigation on most of the canals in the Madras Presidency being, it is believed, free; but the Governor General in Council desires to be favored with precise information on this point, for it is doubtful whether the Government can be considered justified in spending large sums of money on such works unless a definite return is obtained.

(Signed) E. C. S. WILLIAMS, Captain, R. E.,
For Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 221. ORDER THEREON, 12th April 1865, No. 1,000.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 41.

1. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, with reference to his letter of the 30th October 1863, No.

1,535. The project for a Grand Junction Canal from the river Oopootair to Cocanada must continue to be held in abeyance until funds are available.

2. Ordered that the following letter be despatched:—
(Here enter No. 1,001, dated 12th April 1865.)
(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

Civil Works

3^c

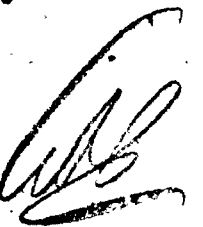
div 1000

Communicated to the

Superintending Engineer 1st Division
with reference to his letter of the
30th October 1863 N^o 1535 - The project
for a grand junction canal from the river
Oshastan to Cocanada must continue
to be held in abeyance until
funds are available.

Ordered that the following
letter be despatched

N. 2. N^o of



To The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Fort St George
12th April 1865

Despatched 13th April.

What is this
project
WD

Proc 9 "Exec/6362 3634

1865
Proc of Govt for April
8:10 3

Civil Works.
Communications.

To

SECY. TO GOVT. OF FORT ST. GEORGE,
IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.,

FROM

SECY. TO GOVT. OF INDIA,
IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

No. 288 C.

Dated 8th March, 1865.

Received. 23 "

Returns plans and estimates for the project for the Grand Junction Canal from the Oopootair River to Cocanada in the Godavery District, as the Madras Government does not recommend it for definite execution. Requests information as to whether navigation on most of the Canals in the Madras Presidency is free.

No. 220-221

7th April 1865 R. 10h

With an order.
1000-12th April 1865