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No. 690. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th October 1865, No. 6,512.

Read the following letter from the Collector of the Godavery District, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 31st August 1865, No. 196 :—

1. I have the honor to submit a Report on the Public Works executed in this District, during the official year 1864-65, with a Statement showing the expenditure on those works, compared with that of the previous year.

2. The expenditure during 1864-65, under the two general heads of "New Works" and "Repairs," amounts to Rupees 4,69,765-13-0, which is less than that of 1863-64 by Rupees 1,73,575-3-0.

3. The following abstract exhibits a comparison between the expenditure of the past official year and that of the year under report :—

Items.	Actual expenditure in 1863-64.	Actual expenditure in 1864-65.	Increase or Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
NEW WORKS.			
Irrigation	2,72,872	1,15,640	— 1,57,232
Communications...	65,793	47,127	— 18,666
Buildings	69,778	82,497	+ 12,719
Total New Works...	4,08,443	2,45,264	— 1,63,179
REPAIRS.			
Irrigation	1,64,811	1,51,163	— 13,648
Communications	62,838	65,372	* 2,534
Buildings	7.249	4,658	— 2,591
Forest	.....	664	* 664
Total Repairs...	? 2,34,878	2,21,857	— 13,041
Total New Works and Repairs...	6,43,311	4,67,121	— 1,76,220
Stones and Tools...	.....	2,645	* 2,645
Grand Total...	6,43,341	4,69,763	1,73,575

4. I would proceed to notice briefly on some of the important works carried out during the year. The outlay incurred in raising the Godavery anicut is below that of the previous year. The early completion of the raising of this weir to the proposed height is very desirable to prevent the running of water to waste into the sea.

5. On the completion of the construction of the calingulah to Bayrna river, in the Lakkaveram estate under the management of the Court of Wards, sanctioned by the Court in their Proceedings, dated 9th May 1864, No. 2,781. as per margin, a large extent of Government and Proprietary land will be rendered fit for cultivation.

6. In the return for 1863-64, a sum of Rupees 1,00,000 was entered on account of compensation for lands taken up by channels, &c., but in the Progress Report received from the Public Works Department for the current year, the item has been omitted, and consequently the same has not found a place in the Statement now submitted.

7. The construction of a lock and calingulah in the Mandapeta canal in the eastern delta is of much importance, and is nearly completed. A vast extent of land will be irrigated on the completion of this work. This channel branches from the Coringa main canal, and affords facilities for navigation.

8. The new Talook Cutcherry at Amalapur is nearly completed, and, I trust, it will at no distant period be available for occupation.

9. Materials were collected for the construction of the Cutcherry at Ramachendrapur, it having been commenced only in the year under report.

10. The Central jail at Rajahmundry is progressing well.

11. The completion of the iron lattice bridge over the Cocanada salt river will be a great boon to the community of Cocanada, and the adjoining town of Jaganaikpuram, as the old wooden bridge is in a decayed and dangerous state.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Return of Public Works expenditure in the Godavery District for 1864-65.

Submitted for the information of Government. The Collector should have stated the principal wants of his District as to communications, &c.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary.

No. 691. ORDER THEREON, 27th October 1865, No. 3,235.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 59. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division.
,, Board of Revenue, with one Enclosure.
,, Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 13th October 1865.

No. 6,512.

Submitting for information report of the Collector of the Godavery District on the Public Works executed during 1864-65.

Exd. J. Wright.