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2. I have not the records out in camp with me, but I am given to understand that in 1861, or about that time, an estimate, amounting to Rupees 80,000, was sanctioned from Local Funds for the construction of the road between Nundial and Peapully, being a continuation of the road from Cumbum to Nundial. This communication had to cross the Yerranullay Hills, and the work appears to have been commenced in their neighbourhood. About five miles of road between Rungapore and Rampore, out of a length of about fifty, have been constructed, and there the work seems to have stopped, leaving seven miles on this side and thirty-eight miles on the other untouched. I propose now to make the road over the seven miles between this place (Peapully) and Rungapore, where the piece of road previously constructed commences. It is estimated to cost about 1,000 Rupees a mile without masonry work, and I would suggest that a sum of Rupees 7,000 from the Budget allotment for 1866-67, of Rupees 12,000 for the Nundikotkoor and Bairlooty road be transferred to this work. This would give employment on the eastern side of the Taluq. There is a good deal of traffic from Nundial through Koilgoontla, Bunganapully, Peapully, and Puttikondah with Adony, and from the latter place to Jonagherry, ten miles S. E. of Puttikondah, there is a made road. Between Jonagherry and Peapully, through which the main road from Kurnool to Gooty runs, there is a break of ten miles, so that carts coming either from the east or west have to make a circuit of nearly twenty miles by Gooty. To obviate this I propose to connect Jonagherry with Peapully, a distance of ten miles, and for this I purpose I would ask a special grant of Rupees 10,000. Three or four miles of this road would touch on the northern end of the Gooty Taluq, and would afford employment to the people there, who are in as bad if not a worse case than the inhabitants of Puttikondah. The accompanying skeleton plan will serve to illustrate what I have stated above :—

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The whole seventeen miles would be one continuous road striking the main road from Kurnool to Gooty at Peapully, the residence of an experienced Deputy Collector. I propose putting the line from Jonagherry to Peapully under the immediate charge of the Puttikondah Tahsildar, and the portion from Peapully to

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| 1 Overseer...     | ... | ... | ... | Rs. |
| 5 Maistries at 10 | ... | ... | ... | 30  |
| 2 Gumastahs at 10 | ... | ... | ... | 50  |
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3. If what I have suggested meets the approval of Government, a reply by telegraph would oblige, and I would further request that the Superintending Engineer may be directed by telegram to depute a subordinate at once to Peapully for the purpose of setting out the line. There is at present no officer in charge of the Kurnool Range, the successor to the late Major Flint not having yet joined.

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1. Referred to the Department of Public Works.
2. The Board will place such Local Funds as may be available at the Acting Collector's disposal, for employment in the Puttikondah Taluq.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,  
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|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Reserve ...         | ... | ... | ... | Rs.   |
| Surplus (estimated) | ... | ... | ... | 2,203 |
|                     | ... | ... | ... | 2,225 |
| Total ...           | ... | ... | ... | 4,428 |

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No. 139. ORDER THEREON, 6th September 1866, No. 2,840.

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| LOCAL FUNDS, No. 13. |
| Account.             |

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

To

*The Superintendent of Public Accounts  
" Controller of Public Accounts  
" Accountant General*

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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(True Extracts.)

Secretary.

To the Acting Collector of Kurnool.

- „ the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
- „ the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
- „ the Accountant General.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 6,123.

Dated 27th August 1866.

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Department.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.  
Contd. of No. 6,123.  
Date 27th Sept. 1866.

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