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From

Lieut.Colonel F.J. Moberly R.E.
Ag. Superintending Engineer, 1st Div.

To

Colonel C.A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.
Madras.

Encl 1.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit a draft of rules for the better management of the boats using the navigable Canals in the Kistna & Godavery Districts. The Officers in charge have met with much difficulty owing to the want of some regulations, & meeting on one occasion at Dowlaiswerum, drew up a sket which has been the base of the present Draft. This I submitted to the Superintending Engineer 2nd Division, & have received his approval

2. I trust, therefore, that the Governme will be pleased to sanction them by legisla -tive action: the traffic is very large, and great numbers of people are at times con -veyed in the boats, whose lives & property

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are jeopardized by the carelessness of the Owners & Crews, who overload & sail them in the most reckless manner.

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Ag. Superintending Engineer 1st Dist.

Proposed bye laws for Canal boats.

1. No boats or rafts allowed to moor on towing path side, except when in the act of loading or unloading.
2. No boats or rafts allowed to moor in the lock channel so as to impede in each case by the Lock officer either above or below.
3. Boats when moored to have mast down, to be made fast to bank in single row head and stern & to be left in charge of a man.
4. When boats meet, the boat going with the current to give way; the boat going against the current to hold its course.
5. In going the same way slow going boats such as Chunies to give way to fast going, such as Canal passenger boats.
6. No raft allowed in the Channels, larger than will pile, a lock; and every raft of this size to have at least one man to manage it.
7. No person allowed to touch the Lock Valves, shutters or their machinery, except

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except the lock servants.-

8. Every boat to have its license paper always on board and to produce the same to any Government Officer having authority to ask for it.

9. If the license is not produced the boat will be stopped on the spot and the owner obliged to take out a fresh license for which the full fee will be charged.

10. Boats will be measured by the following Rule and payment levied at the rate of 1 Rupee per ammum per 50 Cubic feet:-

Leigths. at half the depth between planks and Stern and fore litts.

Breadths- an average of 4 widths taken at equal distances between the same points at the same depths.

Depth of boat, in centre.

15 percent to be deducted for the crew.

11. Passenger boats will be allowed to carry one passenger for every 5 Square feet of deck- When passengers and goods are carried together in the same boat 5 Maunds of 25 ~~lbs~~ each shall be considered equivalent to one passenger:-

12. When required by a Range Officer any passenger boat must stop at any place to have its passengers counted & the goods on board measured: if overloaded goods or passengers in excess of the proper quantity or number must be put out of the boat the owner incurring penalty besides.

13. Infringement of rules will subject the owner to the following penalty:-

1st Offence - - { suspension of license for not more than 2 months.

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To
The Secretary to Govt
Public Works Dept
Fort St George

Public Works Department.

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Under date the 11th October 1866.

From

The Acting Supt Engineer
of the 1st Division

Read the following

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These Draft rules will
be referred to the Government
Solicitor with reference to his
letter of the 30th Sept 163, No 328
and with a request that
the opinions of the Advocate
General may be obtained
upon the Rules, and upon
the necessity of enforcing
them by a legislative enact
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The Draft of Rules
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Kistna and Godavery Dts
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