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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 20th October 1866.

No. 488. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department:—

Sanctioning the transfer of the station of the Sub-Magistrate, in the South Canara District, from Nileshwar to Hossdroog. } (Here enter 15th October 1866, No. 2,807.)

No. 489. ORDER THEREON, 20th October 1866, No. 3,355.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 93.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division for information and guidance, with reference to the orders quoted in paragraph 1 of the letter from the Collector of South Canara.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 392.— Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th September 1866, No. 6,949.

Read the following letters:—

From the Collector of South Canara, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mangalore, 30th August 1866, No. 165.

1. The Board are aware that, under the Order of Government marginally noted, the construction of a Sub-Magistrate's Office and Police Station has been sanctioned at Nileshwar, in Cassergode Talook, and the building is now about to be proceeded with.

Proceedings of Madras Government, in the Public Works Department, dated 20th June 1866, No. 1,919.

2. I beg, however, to submit for the consideration of the Board, and for submission to Government, the following reasons for which, in my opinion, the Sub-Magistrate with his office should be stationed at Hossdroog, and not at Nileshwar.

3. The charge of the Sub-Magistrate in this part of the District consists of the five Maganies of

Taikat,
Nileshwar,
Alvatnad,
Padavanad,
Kavenad,

and extends from the Chandragiry river to the confines of Malabar. It will be seen from the annexed sketch that, while Hossdroog is more central than Nileshwar, it has the great advantage of being on the high road from the north to the south, and is also situated close to the junction of the new Military road at Kanyangad with the water communication leading southward. Hossdroog is also now the last bungalow within the limits of this District, and is, therefore, the point of departure and arrival for all persons travelling north and south; it is further situated on fine high open ground, while Nileshwar is placed on a swamp three miles from the high road between two salt rivers, and possesses no good water. Again, if a new ghaut is constructed in this part of the country, there can be no doubt that the course it would take would be by a line leading from the Talla Cauvery in Coorg down by the valley of the river Kanyangad to the coast at Hossdroog. The Mysore Government are now constructing a road between Mercara and the Talla Cauvery, and it needs but a glance at the map to form an idea of what incalculable advantage a road in continuation of this down to the coast would be, not only to the coffee planters above the ghauts, but to the country through which it would pass. The construction of this road may indeed be a work of time, but that it will eventually be carried out there can, I think, be no reasonable doubt.

4. Again, as regards population, Nileshwar and its five surrounding villages contain a population of 8,684 souls, of whom 1,634 are Moplahs; while at Hossdroog and the five adjacent villages there are nearly 11,000 inhabitants, and of whom 2,262 are Moplahs.

5. Besides these reasons, it may also be stated that the Northern Maganies of Padavanad, Alvatnad, and Kavenad contain the greatest amount of Sircar Coomry cultivation, and that in these Maganies there is not only a very large amount of revenue work, such as settling applications for Durkhasts, &c., but that all the more grave and important Magisterial cases come from them.

6. I should, however, observe that the Superintendent of Police is not willing that the Police station at Nileshwar should be converted into a sub-station, because he considers Nileshwar more convenient for Police arrangements and for visiting the sub-stations which lie to the south of the Nileshwar river. The change of the Police station would, however, after all only be adding three miles to the march of the Inspecting Officer, and I think the advantages which Hossdroog possesses as a station for a Sub-Magistrate, by its being in a more healthy, central, and accessible position, are not to be overlooked.

7. I beg, therefore, to propose that, should the Inspector General of Police (and to whom I presume reference will be made on the subject) still consider that Nileshwar should be the place for building the Police station, the Sub-Magistrate's Office be constructed at Hossdroog in connection with the present Sub-Police station at the latter place, and the situation of which close to the high roads and near the large villages of Ajanur and Kanyangad, and which together contain upwards of 8,500 inhabitants is all that can be desired.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Sketch.

Referred to the Inspector General of Police for his remarks.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary, Revenue Board.

7th September 1866.

From the Inspector General of Police, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 11th September 1866, No. 1,495.

1. With reference to Mr. Cadell's letter, dated 30th August, No. 165, I think that there cannot be a doubt in the minds of those acquainted with the country that Hossdroog is the right place for the Sub-Magistrate's Office.

2. There are Police at Hossdroog, and the accommodation estimated for should be constructed. The presence of a Sub-Magistrate's Court and other considerations will lead to the Police party there being strengthened.

3. I will see to the accommodation required at Nileshwar for the Departmental buildings.

Ordered that the foregoing papers be submitted to Government, with the Board's request that the proposed transfer of the Sub-Magistrate's station from Nileshwar to Hossdroog may be sanctioned.

No. 393. ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1866, No. 2,807.

Miscellaneous.

Under the circumstances stated, the Governor in Council sanctions the transfer of the Sub-Magistrate's station from Nileshwar to Hossdroog.

(True Extract.)

G. J. Cumberland
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
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Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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