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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 8th December 1866.

No. 121. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department:—

Sanctioning the introduction of the Road Cess Act into Kurnool from 1st January 1867. } (Here enter 30th November 1866, No. 3,267.)

No. 122. ORDER THEREON, 8th December 1866, No. 3,881.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 23.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 3rd Division.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 723. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd November 1866, No. 8,419.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 7th November 1866, No. 234 :—

With reference to paragraph 7 of the Board's Proceedings, dated the 25th October 1866, No. 7,710, as to when I consider the Road Cess Act (III. of 1866, Madras), could be introduced into this district, I beg to state that I see no possible reason why the Act should not take effect from the 1st of January next. The amount to be collected will not be felt at all (6 Pies per Rupee) by the ryots. In fact, were the imposition at the rate of one anna the Rupee, I am of opinion that the consumers of the produce of the different crops would be in reality the parties who would pay the cess. Examples of this state of things is manifest, in the matter of the toll gate fees to be paid by owners of bandies, in towns where the Municipal Act is in force. The toll gate fee might be two annas per bandy, and yet the owner distinctly tells you, that in consequence of the taxes imposed on him, he has raised his hire from 1½ Rupees to 2 Rupees per every ten miles.

1. Submitted for the consideration of Government, with reference to Government Order, No. 2,736, Revenue Department, dated 10th October 1866, paragraph 3.

2. The Board see no reason to object to the introduction of the Road Cess in Kurnool, at the full rate of 3¼ per cent., from 1st January 1867. The Government will remember that the revised settlement already includes a Road Cess at 2 per cent., so that the addition will be only 1¼ per cent.

No. 724. ORDER THEREON, 30th November 1866, No. 3,267.

Land Revenue.

A Notification will accordingly be issued introducing the Act into the Kurnool District, and fixing the rate of Road Cess at six Pies in each Rupee of the annual rent value of all land in it. As the land tax of the newly assessed Ryotwary lands includes two per cent. for Road Cess, a further charge of two Pies only can be levied on such lands, as in Trichinopoly. All other lands will be charged six Pies.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Ordnance Office
8th December 1866

Sir

I am directed by the Master General and Board of Ordnance to transmit herewith for the information of the Secretary of State for War, a Return of Officers of the Royal Regiment of Artillery who have been absent from their Companies for more than one year, from the 1st January 1866 to the 31st December 1866 inclusive.

I am Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
H. Storks
Col.

To
The Secretary at War
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