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## MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

**Government of Madras.**

*Public Works* DEPARTMENT.

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| G.O. No. 706 | Press<br><del>Mis.</del> |
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.*  
1st March 1866.

No. 22. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department:—

Sanctioning the loan of Rupees 3,668 from the District Road Fund, repayable by the Public Works Department at the close of this, or during the next year, to defray certain expenditure which has been incurred for bridge work in the Town of Cochin. (Here enter 21st February 1866, No. 465.)

From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bellatangudy 27th January 1866, No. 242.

1. In G. O. No. 3,369 of 24th November 1864, sanction was accorded to estimates for bridge work in the town of Cochin, amounting to Rupees 5,950, and instructions given to apply for the funds after 1st May 1865.

2. In paragraph 30 of G. O. No. 1,868, of 4th July 1865, it is stated that "it has been found impracticable to provide any portion of the funds applied for."

3. It was, therefore, with the utmost surprise that I found an entry in the Palghaut Range Progress Report for October 1865 of an expenditure of Rupees 1,454-15-4 on account of this work. And I lost no time, after certifying myself that the outlay was unauthorized, in calling for an explanation of the transaction, and in ordering the stoppage of the works, and the transfer to other sanctioned works of such materials as might have been collected and were capable of being so utilized.

4. The Range Officer "cannot account for having so mis-read the Government order," but trusts that, "this being the first time that he has committed such an error," I will obtain Government sanction for the outlay; which meanwhile had risen to Rupees 3,667-7-4, as per items subjoined, viz. :—

|                                          | Estimate. | Expenditure. | Remarks.     |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
|                                          | Rs.       | Rs. A. P.    |              |
| 1. Muttancherry Bridge                   | 2,400     | 2,418 5 2    | Completed.   |
| 2. Sheloi Thoda do.                      | 900       | .....        |              |
| 3. Tunnel near Amarawady Bridge          | 130       | 134 2 2      | Completed.   |
| 4. Do. between do. and Dhoby's Bridge    | 130       | 130 0 0      | Do.          |
| 5. Do. near Messrs. Mirus & Co.'s Stores | 130       | 135 0 0      | Do.          |
| 6. Amaravady Bridge                      | 350       | 350 0 0      | Do.          |
| 7. Approaches to do.                     | 200       | .....        |              |
| 8. Dhoby's do.                           | 350       | 350 0 0      | Do.          |
| 9. Approaches to do.                     | 420       | .....        |              |
| 10. Eight small Tunnels, Rupees 50 each  | 400       | 150 0 0      | 3 Completed. |
| 11. Temporary superintendence            | 540       | .....        |              |
| Total...                                 | 5,950     | 3,667 7 4    |              |

5. I am still more at a loss than Mr. Smither himself to find an excuse for his mistake, as neither during my three day's stay at Cochin, ending on the 19th September, nor during many other days of that and the following month when we were

*outlay; which meanwhile had risen to Rs 3667-7-4*  
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travelling together, did he give me to understand that any such work was contemplated or in progress, and yet I am sure that we discussed every work in his Range that he was really authorized to undertake.

6. As to provision of funds for the outlay incurred I am quite at a loss, unless the Local Budget is resorted to. The works are such as will in future have to be carried out with Municipal or Local Funds, and I will send up this letter, through the Collector, that he may report whether or not the undermentioned allotments of 1865-66 and 1866-67 may be transferred for completion of the bridges, omitting Rupees 500 for superintendence, viz. :—

|                                                   | 1865-66.  | 1866-67. |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| 14. Road from Cannanore to Koonnankoonoo...       | Rs. 1,000 | Rs. .... |
| 26c. Kootiaddy by Koroto to Terriote road ...     | .....     | 1,782    |
| 27. Choondale by Mopyenaad to Nellyalem ...       | 2,000     | .....    |
| 28. Sultan's Battery by Nellyalem to Nadagany ... | 663       | .....    |
| Total ...                                         | 3,663     | 1,782    |

I think that in consideration of Mr. Smither's able and zealous co-operation in all District Road works, and of the improbability of the sums I have named being otherwise spent that he will sanction such transfer, and so help the Palghaut Range Officer out of his scrape.

Through the Collector of Malabar.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, 1st March 1866, No. 706.

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| LOCAL FUNDS, No. 5. |
| Accounts.           |

Communicated to the Superintendent Engineer of the 7th Division, for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

*Signature of L. A. Orr* Colonel, R. E.,  
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division.  
.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.  
.. Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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21st February 1866.

No. 399. Read the following Memorandum from the Collector of Malabar, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, Fort Saint George, dated Calicut, 5th February 1866, No. 15 :—

1. In forwarding the enclosed,\* the undersigned has the honor to remark that all the money allotted on the road from Cannanore to Kaniarkunu (Road No. 14 of the Malabar District Road List) has been transferred to the road from Baliapatam to Taliparamba (No. 7, Malabar District Road List). This latter is an important line, but looking at the rate of expenditure on it hitherto, it does not seem likely that the whole allotment will be spent this year, and consequently the transfer may, unless other objection exists, be made.

There seems no chance of the allotments on the Chundale and Nelialum roads being spent this year.

2. The Board of Revenue have, on several previous occasions, refused to allow transfers from the District Road Funds to imperial works, but it may be remarked in this case that Cochin has not had any District funds spent on it this year, that escheat sales are being effected there, and that it may reasonably look for an allowance from the sum allowed for District works from the escheat proceeds, and that under these circumstances the Board may be inclined to allow the allotments as proposed by the Superintending Engineer to be made.

Referred to the Revenue Department for consideration.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,  
10th February 1866.

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

No. 400. ORDER THEREON, 21st February 1866, No. 465.

Miscellaneous.

The Governor in Council sanctions the loan of Rupees 3,668 from the District Road Fund, repayable by the Department Public Works at the close of the year, or during next year.

(True Extract.)

*Signature of L. A. Orr*

Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*An error will occur in the Government outlay; which meanwhile had risen to Rs 3667-7-4*



as per items subjoined viz

|                                           | Estimated | Expenditure | Remarks     |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Muttancherry Bridge                    | 2400--    | 2412-5-2    | Completed   |
| 2. Sheli Sholes do                        | 900--     | "--         | "           |
| 3. Tunnel near Amaravady                  | 130--     | 134-2-2     | Completed   |
| 4. Do between do & Sholiya                | 130--     | 130--       | "           |
| 5. Do near Nephur Nerus<br>and his Shores | 130--     | 135--       | "           |
| 6. Amaravady Bridge                       | 350--     | 350--       | "           |
| 7. Approaches do                          | 200--     | "--         | "           |
| 8. Sholiya Bridge                         | 350--     | 350--       | Completed   |
| 9. Approaches do                          | 120--     | "--         | "           |
| 10. 8 Small Tunnels<br>Rs 50 each         | 400--     | 150--       | 3 Completed |
| 11. Temporary Superintending<br>Engineer  | 540--     | "--         | "           |
| Rs                                        | 5950--    | 3667-7-4    |             |

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allotments of 1865-66, and 1866-67 may be transferred for completion of the Bridges omitting Rs 500 for Superintendence viz

|                                                  | 1865-66   | 1866-67 |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| 14. Road from Cannanore to Kottam<br>maintenance | Rs 1000-- | "--     |
| 26 C. Kottam by Kottam to<br>Kottam Road         | "--       | 1782--  |
| 27. Chondale by Kottam to<br>Kottam              | 2000--    | "--     |
| 28. Sullens Battery by Kottam<br>to Kottam       | 668--     | "--     |
| Rs                                               | 3668      | 1782--  |

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I have the honor to be

Sir  
Your most obedient servant

W. Walker, Esq. Bt. Lt. Col. R. E.  
Superintending Engineer, Do.

Through the Collector of Malabar.

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