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## Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 11 — 1 — 1866.

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No. 267. Read the following letter from the Collector of the Godavery District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 9th December 1865, No. 320:—

1. I have the honor to forward, for the consideration of the Board, copy of a letter and an original sketch* plan and and account* of expenditure, for the Rumpah roads, from my Acting Head Assistant Mr. Linton.

* To be returned.

2. I beg to support his proposal regarding the grant of money for these roads, and hope the Board will be able to recommend it for the favorable consideration of Government.

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From the Acting Head Assistant Magistrate, to the Magistrate of the Godavery District, dated Rajahmundry, 30th November 1865, No. 124.

1. The Assistant Supervisor in charge of No. 6 Range, in reply to a requisition from me, states* that he will be able to expend Rs. 3,000 on roads in the interior of the Rumpah country between the middle of January and the end of April 1866.

* No. 101, 23rd November 1865.

2. Owing to the scant population, and the unhealthiness of the country, there are great difficulties in the way of carrying out the intention of Government in regard to these roads, and it is only during the first six months of the year that it is possible to get any work done at all; the system under which all unexpended allotments lapse at the end of the financial year is therefore an additional bar to progress: the expenditure being under the superintendence of the Magistracy, no provision is made in the Superintending Engineer's Budget; and for the two past years half of the short working season has been lost to us.

3. I beg leave to suggest that, for the reasons shown in paragraph 2, an application be made for an immediate allotment of the whole sum remaining† unexpended from the original grant, with the proviso under the special circumstances, that it shall not lapse on the 30th April 1866; it would then be in our power to carry out fully the orders of Government conveyed in their Proceedings No. 800, 26th of May 1865.

| | Rs. | a. | p. |
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| † Original grant ... ... ... ... | 15,400 | 0 | 0 |
| Expenditure up to December 31st, 1865... | 7,496 | 0 | 2 |
| Remaining ... ... ... ... ... | 7,903 | 15 | 10 |

4. Should the Government be unable to comply with such an application, I would suggest that a special allotment of Rupees 3,000 be applied for, to be available for expenditure from the 15th of January next, and that the Superintending Engineer be requested to include in his Budget for 1866-67, the whole amount remaining unexpended from the original grant, so that the work in hand may not be stopped at the close of the current financial year.

5. The lines on which I propose to expend this sum of Rupees 3,000 are shown in the sketch map enclosed; this sketch does not pretend to be accurate; it merely shows the general relative position of the Muthas visited by Captain Robertson and myself in March 1864. I have no doubt that the Muthadars of Valamur and Kota, the two most influential men in Rumpah, would give us every assistance in the matter of procuring coolies, these roads I presume are only intended in a Military or Police point of view, not for traffic; and therefore it would be sufficient for present purposes to have the jungle cleared away for a certain breadth, leaving a clearly defined tract free from natural obstructions.

6. I append a Memorandum showing, in brief resumé, what has hitherto been done in this matter.

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*11th January* 1866.

Transferred to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works.

16*th December* 1865. (Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
*Secretary Revenue Board.*

No. 268. ORDER THEREON, 11th January 1866, No. 131.

ACCOUNT, No. 25.

1. The Government observe that Rupees 4,000 have been allotted during the current year for the improvement of communications in the Rumpah country, and they regret that as the Reserve under all heads is exhausted, and no money is available from other sources, they are unable to comply with the application of the Collector of the Godavery District for an additional grant.

2. Rupees 5,000 will be provided for the work in the Budget for 1866-67.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
*Secretary to Government.*

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
" Board of Revenue, with Sketch Plan.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Public Works Department

Proceedings of the Madras Government

January 1866.

Under date the 11th January 1866

Read the following

From

The Collector of the
Godavery District

Forwarding for the Boards consideration a letter from the Head Assistant Collector regarding the grant of money for the Rumpah roads

(Here enter 9th Decr 1865 No 320)

The Government observe that Rs. 4000 have been allotted ~~for exceptional~~ during the Current year for the improvement of the communications in the Rumpah Country, and they regret that as the Reserve under all heads is exhausted, and no money is available from other sources, they are unable to comply with the application of the

Collector of the Godavery
District for an additional
grant -

2. Rupees 5,000 will
be provided for the work
in the Budget for 1866/67.

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S. Regn 1st Dec
Bd of Rev: with sketch
Ret: Plan & letter
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Secy: of the Jn Govt

Dy 11th Jany/66

Roads in the Rampah country, Godavary District. The Board of Revenue informed that there are no funds available for the improvement of, but that Rupees 5,000 will be provided for the work in the Budget of 1866-67.

No. 267. 268.

C. 20th Dec. 1865 R. 3rd Jan. 1866.