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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th January 1867.*

No. 67. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Revenue Department:—

Communicating to the Board of Revenue letter
from the Superintending Engineer of the 2nd
Division, relative to the provision of funds,
during next year, for the formation of the
Canal from the Masulipatam Channel to the
Salt Cotaurs at Munganapudi, Kistna District. (Here enter 21st December 1866, No. 3,469.)

No. 68. ORDER THEREON, 5th January 1867, No. 28.

ACCOUNT, No. 2.

Communicated to the Superintend-
ing Engineer of the 2nd Division.

(True Extract.)

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

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Name	Sale of Salt			
	Locality	By Canal	By other means	State
From 1 st December 1865 up to 31 st November 1866 after opening the navigation Canal. Sale during an equal period before the opening of navigation Canal from 1 st December 1864 up to 31 st November 1865.	Kanur		Kanur	10000
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Kidwai District Collector Kanur
 Masulipatnam 19th November 1866
 M. S.

True Copy / Signed / G. Shankill
 Collector
 Masulipatnam 19th Nov 1866
 Supd. Engrs. 20th Nov

Kistna District

No 271

Collector's Kachuri at
Masulipatam
19th November 1866

From C. Thornhill Esqre
Collector Kistna District
Captain G. F. Smith
Acting Superintending Engineer
2nd Division

Sir

1. Adverting to Government order dated 13th September 1866 No 2940, by which the grant of 5000 Rs for expenditure on the Mangalapudi Canal has been withdrawn, and observing that no allotment has been made for that work in the Budget for 1867/68; I have the honor to request you will be good enough to take into consideration the propriety of applying for a special grant for the execution of the work if you concur with me in thinking it of urgent importance as a means of extending the Salt Revenue -

2. My attention has been recently drawn to this work by two facts -

1. The enormous increase of sales at Mangampatam since the opening of the Canal from Thene to Bazar without any corresponding decrease in the adjoining divisions and the present great demand for salt at Kydrabad which, had better means of carriage been available, would have led to a very great increase in the sales at Mangalapudi & Buntormilly Akur

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Enclosed in 11 Nos
No 68 of 1st Decr 1866

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Copy of Attachment
Showing the Com-
parative of Salt
Sales in Mangampatam
Kachuri District

3 The land Communication between Mangampudi and Bunder is as you know, very bad for Carts. The track being all heavy sand, a road could only be made and maintained at a very heavy cost. It was partly on this ground that the Canal was sanctioned.

4 The entire Estimate for this work was 61000 as sanctioned in G. O. This includes the Canal with Locks and Bridge at the Basin and 2 other Bridges besides 8 drainage sluices.

5 The full benefit of the work would not be felt of course until it were entirely completed but I think would be largely availed of if a Canal was enough only for navigation by small boats were opened in the course of the next season from the present terminus near the basin to Mangampudi. This would leave a break, of a hundred yards or so of portage, between the Canal and the basin and would involve a change of boats.

6 It would not be possible to connect the Canal permanently with the basin until the Lock could be constructed and the bridge built over the Fork Road and this, I fear, could hardly be accomplished in the next season even if funds for the entire work were forthcoming. But the saving in Carriage between the Canal in its imperfect and unfinished state, and the sandy road would I feel sure be so great as to lead to its adoption to a large extent.

7 The Accompanying Comparative statement of sales at Mangampudi before and after the opening of the Canal for navigation needs

In Comment, if the increase in Mangampudi be only one half of that it would repay the construction of the Canal in 2 years.

8 The other advantages to be derived from this Canal have been already set forth & acknowledged when the work was sanctioned and I need not now recapitulate them.

9 I would also take this opportunity of begging your attention to the propriety of visiting the Bunder Canal to some point nearer the salt stores than it now reaches. The great crop of Mangampudi is an assurance that the salt sales will be very largely increased by having additional facility of carriage afforded to the purchasers.

I leave the honor to the
[signed] G. Thornhill
Collector

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Commodore J. B. M.
Superintendent

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
21st December 1866.*

No. 426. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Camp, Aurumbakum, 1st December 1866, No. 68:—

1. I have the honor to forward, for the information of Government, a letter* received from the Collector of Kistna District, requesting me to apply for a

* No. 271, dated 19th ultimo.

special grant of money during next year for the formation of the canal from the Masulipatam Channel to the Salt Cotaurs at Munganapudi, sanctioned by Government on the 23rd February 1865 in their Proceedings No. 515.

2. The success attending the opening of the Nizampatam Canal appears very encouraging; the more so, when we note a fact which Mr. Thornhill has not alluded to, viz., that for the three months after its opening, only a few dhonies availed themselves of it on account of the ignorance of the owners concerning the large trade so recently made available. Consequently nearly all the vast increase in the sales, as specified in Mr. Thornhill's statement, must have taken place since the re-opening of the canals for the season on 1st July, or during four and a half months only. Had the same traffic existed from 1st December to the closing of the canal on 6th March, the probable increase in the salt sales would have been little short of one lac of Rupees. Under these circumstances, I beg strongly to recommend that, if possible, 15,000 or 20,000 Rupees should be included in the outgoing Budget, in order that

the Munganapudi Canal be enlarged to its ultimate dimensions. of small boats, as recommended by Mr. Thornhill in paragraph 5 of his letter. The channel can afterwards be enlarged at leisure to its ultimate dimensions.

3. I have requested the Masulipatam Range Officer to frame an estimate at his early convenience for a branch channel from the Buntumilly Canal to the Salt Cotaurs at that station.

Referred to the Revenue Department. The Public Works Budget for 1867-68 has been closed.

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

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
8th December 1866.

No. 427. ORDER THEREON, 21st December 1866, No. 3,469.

eparate Revenue, No. 15.
Salt.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

J. Broke

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

„ the Public Works Department.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

Enclosure with letter
No 68 of 1st December 1866

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21st Dec 1866
J. Broke
Under Secretary to Government*

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