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No. 632. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 20th September 1867, No. 2,210.

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To be returned.

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4. The Acting Collector will be good enough to obtain funds for this work, and the Salt Deputy Collector should be requested to point out what work is absolutely necessary, as all the buildings referred to by Mr. Fraser cannot be emergent.

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MADRAS,
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E. C. CANAL OFFICE, MOUNT ROAD,
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(True Extract.)
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 26th September 1867.

No. 633. ORDER THEREON, 26th September 1867, No. 2,090.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 71.

1. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division.

2. The outlay on the work will not appear in the accounts of the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

Revenue Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

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No. 5,971.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Acting Collector of Madras.

Exd. J. Cartledge.

Order thereon 20th September 1867 No. 2210

The Government sanction the expenditure of Rs. 8852- on the work in question as recommended by the Board in anticipation of the submission of regular Estimates and on the distinct understanding that the charge must be met by a redistribution of the provision for Salt works in the Revenue Budget for the current year — as proposed by

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No.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 18*th September* 1867.

No. 5,071.

Requesting sanction of Government as a special case, for Rupees 8,852-5-0 for enlarging Salt platforms of Madras district, as proposed in the Collector's letter of the 3rd September 1867.

To The Department of Public Works

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith for the orders of Government a letter from the Collector of Madras, dated 3rd instant, with its enclosures, requesting sanction as a special case for Rupees 8,852-5-0 for enlarging Salt platforms of Madras district, as proposed in the Collector's letter.

2. The Board have called for the opinion of the Executive Engineer on the proposal, and have received a report dated 18th instant, which is also submitted herewith.

3. The Board are of opinion that the proposal is a reasonable one, and that the work should be executed.

4. The Board have the honor to request that the sanction of Government may be accordingly conveyed to them.

I have &c.

(Signed) W. Hudleston

Fort St. George
26th September 1867

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