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Government of Madras.

Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

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Read the following papers:—

No. 77. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st April 1868,
No. 2,929.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Tinnevely, to the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue, dated Circuit Cutcherry at Pudukudi, 17th March
1868, No. 114.

When certain Imperial roads were transferred to Local, provision was made
for them in the Local Fund Budget; but unfortunately one road retained as
Imperial; namely, that from Palamcottah to Tenkasi in the west of the dis-
trict, was omitted in the Imperial
Board's Procs., No. 5,863, dated 12th Sept. 1867.
1868-69.

Budget, and there is no allotment for it next year, though it is so near completion
that six months' labor would finish it; it has been metalled for twenty miles at the
Tenkasi end, and a passable road exists for six miles out of Tinnevely. Masonry
works have been constructed, and part of the earthwork thrown up in the interven-
ing space of ten miles, but of course this only tends to make the road at present
quite impassable; we have no finished road in the district, but this one is so near
completion that I beg to be allowed to finish it at once, and if money is not forth-
coming from Imperial Funds to advance 15,000 Rupees from Local Funds, and so
get one road at all events completed next year. The estimates are sanctioned, the
work is still in hand, and all that is needed is a present allotment to carry it on
without having to put it by for a year. I enclose copy of correspondence with the
Superintending Engineer on the subject.

From the Collector of Tinnevely, to the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, dated Circuit
Cutcherry, at Gengundan, 11th March 1868, No. 60.

Consequent on the confusion arising, this year, from the transfer of certain Imperial roads to
Local, and the preparation of two separate Budgets by the Engineer and Collector, I find, to my
great regret, that no provision whatever has been made for the very important Imperial line from
Tenkasi to Palamcottah known as Road No. 9; Mr. Hawksworth has completed half this road
from Tenkasi to Alankolan, and some time since submitted an estimate for the remainder of the

Rupees 14,700.

* 1868-69.

line in his range. Of this, he has worked
out 5,600 Rupees this year, leaving 9,040
Rupees for next year,* if we can only get the
allotment; the amount of Mr. Roberts' esti-

mate for the short portion of the line in his range I am not sure of, but you have the data in your
office. I look on it as most important that we should work out the whole of the estimate during
the coming year, as this road has long been a disgrace to the district; in parts, it is almost im-
passable for wheeled conveyances, and the traffic on it is very considerable. The Government are
aware that we have not a single finished road in the district, and with this so near completion, I
feel sure that you have only to represent the case to be successful in obtaining the needful funds,
the more especially as the omission in the Imperial Budget for 1868-69 is a complete oversight,
and is solely attributable to the change of system this year.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th May 1868.*

From the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Collector of Tinnevely, dated Madura,
14th March 1868, No. 2,557.

In reply to your letter No. 60, of 11th March 1868, on the subject of the Tenkasi to Palamcottah road; as there is no allotment, I have the honor to request as it seems a very necessary work, that you will go up to the Board on the subject, and I have no doubt they will give funds if any are available. The only amount that I have is Rupees 1,000 for general repairs, which would be of very little avail, and required elsewhere.

1. Submitted to Government, with the Board's request that an allotment may be made from Imperial Funds for the completion of the road in question, as it is obviously neither expedient, nor economical, to leave communications half completed, as will be done in the present case if no allotment be made.
2. The Collector states that the work is in progress in the current official year 1867-68, and that a sum of Rupees 5,660 has already been spent upon it. The Board do not, however, find that any provision was made for it in the Imperial Budget for 1867-68. It is probably, however, one of the incomplete works not entered in the Budget.

Transferred to the Department Public Works.

24th April 1868.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 78. From the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Poothoogoody, 22nd April 1868, No. 178.

1. As I find, through some mistake, that no provision is made for Road No. 9 in the Imperial Budget of the present year, and as the Range Officer is in the middle of extensive repairs, the estimate of which amounted to Rupees 14,700, of which sum Rs. 5,700 was expended last year, I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for the transfer of Rupees 5,000, of the Rupees 10,832,*
Tinnevely District.

* For special repairs to roads.
allotted to the Madura District, for the purpose of going on with this road, there being no funds available in Tinnevely.

2. This is a very important road, having a large traffic on it from the Coffee estates on the hills, as well as being the line of road from Palamcottah to the sanitarium at Cortallum.
3. Should Government sanction this transfer, might I request a telegraph be sent to me at Palamcottah, as Mr. Hawksworth, the Range Officer, has nearly expended the funds at his disposal, and is very anxious not to dismiss his gangs of coolies, or there will be great difficulty in bringing them together again.

No. 79.

ORDER THEREON, 4th May 1868, No. 1,386.

ACCOUNT, No. 8.

The transfer of funds proposed by the Superintending Engineer of the 8th Division, to admit of the repairs under

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th May 1868.*

execution to the road from Tenkasi to Palamcottah being proceeded with during the current official year, is sanctioned, and authority is granted for the unallotted* balance of the estimate being expended in anticipation of a supplemental assignment later in the year.

* Rupees 4,000.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.

- " Accountant General.
- " Controller of Public Works Accounts.
- " Revenue Department.

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No. 2,929.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 21st April 1863.

Read the following letter from R. K. PUCKLE, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Circuit Cutcherry at Pudukudi, 17th March 1863, No. 114:—

When certain Imperial roads were transferred to Local, provision was made for them in the Local Fund Budget; but unfortunately one road retained as Imperial, namely, that from Palamcottah to Tenkasi in the west of the district, was omitted in the Imperial Budget, and there is no allotment for it next year, though it is so near completion that six months' labour would finish it; it has been metalled for twenty miles at the Tenkasi end, and a passable road exists for six miles out of Tinnevelly. Masonry works have been constructed, and part of the earthwork thrown up in the intervening space of ten miles, but of course this only tends to make the road at present quite impassable; we have no finished road in the district, but this one is so near completion that I beg to be allowed to finish it at once, and if money is not forthcoming from Imperial Funds to advance 15,000 Rupees from Local Funds, and so get one road at all events completed next year. The estimates are sanctioned, the work is still in hand, and all that is needed is a present allotment to carry it on without having to put it by for a year. I enclose copy of correspondence with the Superintending Engineer on the subject.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From R. K. PUCKLE, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to the Superintending Engineer, Eighth Division, dated Circuit Cutcherry at Gengundan, 11th March 1863, No. 60.

Consequent on the confusion arising, this year, from the transfer of certain Imperial roads to Local, and the preparation of two separate Budgets by the Engineer and Collector, I find, to my great regret, that no provision whatever has been made for the very important Imperial line from Tenkasi to Palamcottah known as Road No. 9; Mr. Hawksworth has completed half this road from Tenkasi to Alankolan, and sometime since submitted an estimate for the remainder of the line in his range. Of this, he has worked out 5,660 Rupees this year, leaving 9,040 Rupees for next year,*

if we can only get the allotment; the amount of Mr. Roberts's estimate for the short portion of the line in his range I am not sure of, but you have the data in your office. I look on it as most important that we should work out the whole of the estimate during the coming year, as this road has long been a disgrace to the district; in parts, it is almost impassable for wheeled conveyances, and the traffic on it is very considerable. The Government are aware that we have not a single finished road in the district, and with this so near completion, I feel sure that you have only to represent the case to be successful in obtaining the needful funds, the more especially as the omission in the Imperial Budget for 1868-69 is a complete oversight, and is solely attributable to the change of system this year.

From Lieutenant-Colonel C. V. WILKIESON, R. E., Superintending Engineer, Eighth Division, to the Collector of Tinnevelly, dated Madura, 14th March 1863, No. 2,557.

In reply to your letter, No. 60, of 11th March 1863, on the subject of the Tenkasi to Palamcottah road; as there is no allotment, I have the honour to request, as it seems a very necessary work, that you will go up to the Board on the subject, and I have no doubt they will give funds if any are available. The only amount that I have is Rupees 1,000 for general repairs, which would be of very little avail, and required elsewhere.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) R. K. PUCKLE,
Collector.

1. Submitted to Government, with the Board's request that an allotment may be made from Imperial Funds for the completion of the road in question, as it is obviously neither expedient, nor economical, to leave communications half completed, as will be done in the present case if an allotment be made.
2. The Collector states that the work is in progress in the current official year 1867-68, and that a sum of Rupees 5,600 has already been spent upon it. The Board do not, however, find that any provision was made for it in the Imperial Budget for 1867-68. It is probably, however, one of the incomplete works not entered in the Budget.

(True Copies and Extract.)

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Collector of Tinnevely.

George
Sub-Secretary.

Exd. J. Wright.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

No. 1370.

1867-68. Department

17th Decr 1867
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21st Decr 1867
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No. 2,920.

21st Decr 1867

Requesting Government to make an allotment from Imperial Funds for completion of road from Tenkasi to Palamcottah in Tinnevely district.

Wm. J. Wright
1867-68

No. 178
Postoffice 22nd April 1868

William J. Wright
Sub-Secretary

Colonel C. J. O'Brien
Secretary to Government
Madras

Wm. J. Wright
Sub-Secretary

As I find, through some mistake, that no provision is made for Road No. 19 in the Imperial Budget of the present year, and as the Rajah's Office is in the midst of extensive repairs, the Estimate of which amounted to Rs. 14,700, of which sum, Rs. 2,700 was expended last year, I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for the transfer of Rs. 5,000 of the Rs. 10,832, allotted to the Madras District, for the purpose of going on with this road, there being

for special repairs to Roads

2. This is a very important road
leading to large traffic and from the
Coffee Estates on the hills, as well
as being the line of road from Stellenbosch
to the Sanitarium at Cordell.

3 Should Government sanction this
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Wm. W. W.
Superintendent Engineer S.S. Division

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 4th May 1868

Read the following

Chief of the P. & R. Revenue No. 2920 of 21st April 1868
From the Sup. Eng. of the S. Div. (Here enter No. 176 dated 22nd April 1868)

The transfer of funds proposed by the Superintending Engineer of the S. Div., to admit of the repairs under execution to the road from Tenkasi to Palameottah being proceeded with during the Current Official year, is sanctioned, and authority is granted for the unallotted balance of the Estimate being expended in anticipation of a

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To
The P. & R. S. Div.
Chief of the P. & R. Revenue
Chief of the P. & R. Revenue
Rev. Dept.

2nd May 1868

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

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Pro. of Govt. for May

No 1386

Pro. of the Madras Govt

Dt 4th May 1868

Sanctioning certain
transfers of funds to admit of the
repair of the Road from Senthai
to Palamcottah in the Sinnerelly
District being proceeded with
and granting authority for the
balance of the estimate for
the work being expended in
anticipation of an assignment
later in the year.

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