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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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27th January 1868.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 440. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department.

Referring, for disposal in the Revenue Department, question regarding the transfer to Local Funds of the road from Cuddapah to Kurnool, *viâ* Dhoor and Nundial. } (Here enter 5th September 1867, No. 2,735.)

Referred to the Board of Revenue for their remarks after communication with the Collectors.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

5th September 1867.

No. 441. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th December 1867, No. 8,114.

Read the following letters :—

From the Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 26th September 1867, No. 289.

1. In reply to Board's Proceedings, No. 5,916, dated 14th September, I have the honor to inform you that there is no objection whatever against transferring the expenditure for that portion of the road between the neighbourhood of Nundial to Cuddapah which lies in the district, to the Local Funds.

2. There are several local roads in this district which are sanctioned in the revised Budget, but which cannot be put in hand for some time, as plans and estimates have not been furnished, the funds sanctioned for which might be placed at the service of this particular road. I have written to Major Moberly, to ask him from which sanctioned amount these funds can be best supplied, and on the receipt of his reply I will again address the Board.

From the same Officer, dated 9th October 1867, No. 307.

With reference to his letter* from the Superintending Engineer, No. 1,794, dated 2nd instant, I have the honor to request the sanction of the Board may be obtained for the disbursement of

* Copy enclosed.

Rupees 20,000, during the current year, from the allotment sanctioned for Nos. 4 and 7 in the Supplemental Budget, passed in Government Order, No. 1,872, of 12th August 1867, in the Revenue Department. The amount of Rs. 44,029 was sanctioned in Government Order, No. 141, of 15th January 1867, towards the completion of this road from Iyalur to Chagalmurry; but it is now in contemplation to transfer it from an Imperial to a Local Fund road.

From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Collector of Kurnool, dated Camp at Cuddapah, 2nd October 1867, No. 1,794.

1. With reference to your letter, No. 69, of the 18th ultimo, I have the honor to observe that the question of the transfer of the road from Iyalur to Chagalmurry does not appear to have been decided upon by Government in their Order, No. 2,735, dated 5th September 1867, but has merely been referred for disposal in the Revenue Department.

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2. I quite agree in thinking that the road in question should eventually be considered a Local Fund Road, and the maintenance be debited to Local Funds as soon as the railway is opened to Gooty, but until then I think it is premature.

3. As regards the amount required to complete this road, I beg to inform you that the amount required is Rupees 44,029, as sanctioned in Government Order, No. 141, of 15th January 1867, and I would suggest that Rupees 20,000 should be granted during the current year, from the sanctioned allotment for Nos. 4 and 7 in the Supplemental Budget, passed in Government Order, No. 1,872, of 12th August 1867, in the Revenue Department.

1. In Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 5th September 1867, the Board were called upon to offer, after communication with the Collector of Kurnool, their remarks on the propriety of declaring the road from Cuddapah to Kurnool *via* Dhoor and Nundial, a district line, and throwing the cost of its completion and maintenance on the Road Fund.

2. In the first letter above recorded, Mr. Chase states that he sees "no objection whatever" to the suggested transfer of so much of the road as lies between Nundial and Chagulmurry.

3. In his second letter, giving cover to a copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, the Collector recommends the transfer of Rupees 20,000, for expenditure on the road referred to, from the allotment sanctioned for Items Nos. 4 and 7 in the Supplemental District Road Fund Budget, sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 12th August 1867, No. 1,872.

4. The Superintending Engineer is of opinion that the line should eventually be considered a Local Fund road, and that its maintenance should be debited to Local Funds, as soon as the railway is opened to Gooty, but that till then the transfer would be premature.

5. The Board are unable to concur in the proposed transfer, as the road in question connects the capitals of two important districts, and has always hitherto been regarded as Imperial. It runs straight through the centre of the Kurnool District, and forms the main artery of the local communications. The completion of the railway will not materially affect its importance, for, the rail-road on leaving Cuddapah proceeds westwards; while it runs northwards as far as Nundial. If a road possessing its characteristics is not to be regarded as Imperial, it is difficult to see what road in Kurnool will be regarded as such. The line connecting Kurnool with the rail at Gooty will doubtless be thrown on the Road Fund as a "Railway feeder," in the same manner as the line from Caroor to Dindigul, and if a line connecting the capitals of Kurnool and Cuddapah is not Imperial, so neither will be that connecting Bellary with Kurnool, and, further, if the criterion is to be the means of Government at once to supply funds for any road, the result will inevitably be that the Road Fund will be overwhelmed before it comes into practical operation.

6. If the proposal be carried out, funds can only be provided by withdrawing allotments already made for purely district roads as noticed above.

7. The Road Fund of Kurnool will certainly prove no more than sufficient for its own legitimate wants, for the state of the minor communications may be inferred from the condition in which this very important line was found by the

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Right Honorable the Governor. The completion of the portion of the road from Iyalur to Chagulmurry will alone cost 45,000 Rupees, while the Road Cess collections are estimated only at Rupees 85,000. Probably a year's income will be needed to put the whole line in thorough repair.

8. The arrangements made by the Board in this and in other districts, when reviewing the several Supplemental District Road Fund Budgets of the current official year, have relieved the Public Works Budget of considerable expenditure hitherto incurred on roads, and, from this source, funds can doubtless be provided for the very important line under reference.

9. The people of Kurnool unfortunately have not yet derived any benefit whatever from the newly imposed Road Cess, and to impose on them obligations manifestly devolving on the State, will undoubtedly lead to great dissatisfaction, and induce general distrust in the professions of Government. It would be matter for great regret if such feelings were originated in respect to a heavy tax, which has been paid almost without a murmur in the trust that, as declared by Government, it would be applied to purely local objects hitherto regarded as beyond the scope of Governmental action.

10. The Board do not object to a loan of Rupees 15,000 for expenditure on the road in question, if funds cannot be provided otherwise.

No. 442.

ORDER THEREON, 27th January 1868, No. 219.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government resolve to retain the road in question on the list of Imperial works for the present.

2. The question of its transfer can be re-considered hereafter, when the railway has reached a more advanced stage.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Department Public Works.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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5th September 1867.

No. 118.

Dated 5th September 1867, No. 2,735.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 12.

1. A portion of the Cuddapah and Kurnool road having recently come under the notice of the Right Honorable the President, His Lordship regretted to observe that the part between Iyaloor and Dhoor was in many places unmade or left in an almost impassable condition, and that a far greater breadth of land had been taken up on each side for the trace, where the latter was visible, than was necessary.

2. The Government note that the estimates which have been severally sanctioned for the line, of which the portion of road under notice is a section, amount

	Original Estimate.	Supplemental Estimate.	Total.	Expended up to the 31st March 1867.	Allotment in 1867-68.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Cuddapah District. Road from Cuddapah to the Kurnool frontier ...	61,518	14,490	76,008	68,518	5,000
Kurnool District. Road from the Kurnool frontier to Nundial ...	60,000	44,029	1,04,029	60,026	...
Total ...	1,21,518	58,519	1,80,037	1,28,544	5,000

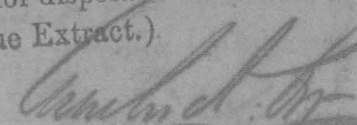
in the aggregate to Rupees 1,80,037, and that the outlay up to the end of the past official year has been Rs. 1,28,544 as shown in the margin. Of this amount the large sum of Rs. 60,026 has been

expended between Chagalamurthy and Nundial, but little trace can now be said to exist of the work done for that outlay. The road is not more than traced and marked out for many miles of its length, here and there a thin and utterly insufficient layer of gravel has been spread and a few bridges and road dams constructed, but generally speaking the track from Iyaloor to Chagalamurthy, a distance of some forty miles, remains altogether unmade. The Superintending Engineer should give his immediate attention to the state of matters on this line of communication; and will report the names of the Officers under whom so great an expenditure as Rupees 60,026 has been incurred with so little to show for it. An allotment of Rupees 5,000 having lately been made for the

In G. O. No. 1,494, dated 17th May 1867. eight miles from Dhoor to the Cuddapah frontier at Chagalamurthy, it is hoped that the whole of the road in the Cuddapah District will be shortly completed, leaving only to be constructed the forty miles within Kurnool limits.

3. Looking to the change which the progress of the Railway towards Ghooty and Bellary is making in the direction of the traffic of the adjoining districts, the Government are disposed to doubt whether the road from Cuddapah to Kurnool via Dhoor and Nundial can any longer be considered a line of main communication, and they believe it may now more properly be classed as a district road. As, moreover, no funds will be available for its completion from Imperial Public Works assignments for many years to come, it must necessarily remain in an unfinished and partially impassable state unless its charge be transferred to Local Funds. The question of its transfer, and of provision being made for its completion and maintenance will accordingly be referred for disposal in the Revenue Department.

(True Extract.)

 Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.
" Revenue Department.
Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Ms. A. 2399.

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Question regarding the
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Cuddaspath to Newmarket -
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W. H. Webb
Secretary

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 17th December 1867.

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No. 8,114.

Submitting to Government letter from Collec-
tor of Kurnool relative to the transfer of a road
from Cuddapah to Kurnool via Dhooz and Nun-
dial from Imperial to Local Fund with the
Board's reasons against such a transfer.

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