

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	783	Press Mis-
<i>458-60</i> Dated	26-3-	1868.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th March 1868.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 458. From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Masulipatam, 19th September 1867, No. 90.

With reference to G. O., No. 2,706, dated 3rd instant, and in continuation of my letter No. 83, dated 11th idem, I have the honor to propose that the canal from Masulipatam Fort to Bezoarah be hereafter considered the Imperial highway between those places, and that the old road should be transferred to the head of "Local," and improved and maintained from the District Funds.

Referred to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,

25th September 1867.

Under Secretary to Government.

Referred to the Board of Revenue, in continuation of the former letters.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

25th September 1867.

Secretary to Government.

Received 26th September } 1867.
Entered and returned 1st October }

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Secretary.

No. 459. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th March 1868, No. 1,877.

Read the following Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 25th September 1867.

ABSTRACT.—Referring to the Board, in continuation of the former letters, a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, requesting that the old road between Masulipatam Fort and Bezoarah may be transferred to "Local Fund," and improved and maintained from that source.

1. The foregoing endorsement gives cover to another endorsement from the Under Secretary to Government, in the Public Works Department, on a letter* from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, proposing "that the canal from the Masulipatam Fort to Bezoarah be hereafter considered the Imperial highway between those places, and that the old road should be transferred to the head Local, and improved and maintained from the District Funds."

2. The Board observe that the mere fact of a canal having been constructed for portions of the distance traversed by a road does not, in the Board's judgment, render the road less Imperial. If this argument be admitted, then the portion of the road between Madras and Seeloorpett should be given up, owing to the existence of Cochrane's Canal. It must be remembered that canals have occasionally to be closed for repairs, and that for short distances the expenses of transshipment are so heavy as to render them less useful than roads. In their Proceedings, dated 25th October 1867, No. 6,971, the Board have stated their objections to abandoning

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Manipal
19th September 1867.

From Lieutenant Colonel G. T. Wilson R.E.
To Superintending Engineer D.D.
Colonel C. A. O. R.E.
Secretary to Government
D.D.

Sir
With reference to G.O. No 2706
dated 3rd inst. and in continuation
of my letter No 83 dated 11th inst. I have
the honor to inform that the Canal
from Manipal Fort to Rayachoti,
be hereafter considered the Imperial
Highway between these places, and that
the old Road should be transferred
to the head of "Local" and improved &
maintained from the District Funds.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most Obedt Servt
C. A. O. R.E.
Superintending Engineer D.D.

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portions of Imperial roads merely because canals have been constructed in the same lines, and the Government have acceded to them, as will be seen by their Order in the Public Works Department, dated 29th November 1867, No. 3,731.

3. The Board are of opinion that the road from Masulipatam to Bezoarah should continue to be treated as an Imperial line. It is a Military road of great importance, and by it Troops, as well as Ordnance and Commissariat Stores, would be thrown into Hyderabad if need arose. It is essential that the transport of such should be independent of the contingency of the canal being closed or not navigable just at any critical period.

4. Moreover, if these roads are thrown on the District Road Fund, it will be impossible to give the people of the district the benefit to which they are entitled in consideration of their payment of the Road Cess. A glance at the Road Map will shew how destitute the district is of roads, and the construction of them is most expensive, owing to the nature of the soil, and the manner in which the country is intersected by the irrigation works of Government, as is abundantly testified by an estimate, amounting to Rupees 1,69,200, for the construction of the road from Guntoor to Iyalur, sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 20th February 1868, No. 483.

No. 460.

ORDER THEREON, 26th March 1868, No. 783.

Miscellaneous.

The road in question must remain chargeable to Imperial Funds.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary to Government.

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

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Pres. No. 111-112
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Dated 14th March 1868.
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No. 1,877.

Submitting remarks against proposal of Superintending Engineer 2nd Division that old road between Masulipatam Fort and Bezoarah should be transferred from Imperial to Local Fund list.

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With order

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