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Government of Madras.

Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 319 — Press Mis.

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Dated 26. 1 1870.

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No. 612. Read the following letter from the Officer in charge of Public Works Operations in Wynaad, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Wynaad, Vythery 28th December 1869, No. 525:—

I HAVE the honour to report that I have just returned to my head quarters after an inspection of the works in the North Wynaad Range, and I find that, owing to the heavy rain (upwards of five inches) which fellbetween the 12th and 22nd, combined with a pretty large traffic, the road from Manantoddy to the Periah Ghaut, and the ghaut tiself, have been, so much cut up, that unless put into repair their condition will materially interfere with the transport of the coffee crop. Throughout the monsoon, and up to within the last fortnight, the ghaut and that half of the Periah road nearest to it were maintained in very good order, and in October and November the remaining portion of the road was also repaired, so that there was at the close of November but a small balance of maintenance grant available for further repairs; and the only possible means for carrying out what is os essentially required would be by transfers from grants of those roads where the want of repair will be less severely felt. The deductions ordered in G. O., No. 3,247, dated 8th October, were made to the full extent; but if the still further reduction of 12 per cent. lately directed is intended to be made from the total balance of maintenance grant in the district, the result will be most damaging to the works that have been carried out at so much cost and under such difficulties.

2. I beg to annex a statement showing the amount of original allotment for repairs of Imperial roads in Wynaad for the current year and the balance left unexpended on 30th ultimo, by which it will be seen that in some cases the whole, or nearly the whole, allotment has been spent; and if a reduction of 12 per cent. on the total grant is made it will fall so heavily on the grants from those roads repairs on which have been deferred till the present season as almost to absorb them altogether.

3. Under these circumstances I earnestly hope that the order directing the reduction of 12 per cent. will be relaxed in the case of this district, and, even if it is absolutely necessary that the amount should be taken from it, it would be better to let the loss fall more upon Original Works rather than on Maintenance, though, looking to the very reduced grants for the ensuing year, I can scarcely bring myself to propose it.

4. If my request about waiving the 12 per cent. reduction be granted, I beg to be permitted to propose transfers of maintenance grants from certain roads to others where repairs are the most urgently needed, and if coupled with the boon it is insisted upon that an equivalent amount must be surrendered from Original Works, I would beg the favour of being permitted to select those to suffer.

MALABAR DISTRICT—WYNAAD DIVISION.

Statement of Maintenance Grants of Roads in Wynaad for 1869-70.

Name of Work.	Original grant.	Amount expended up to 30th November 1869.	Balance available on 1st December 1869.	Remarks.
REPAIRS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Communications.				
1. Road from Calicut to Mysore Frontier *via* Tambercherry Ghaut and Sultan's Battery.	5,700	4,957	743	Repairs are still required on about eight miles of this road.
2. Road from Cannanore to the Mysore Frontier *via* the Periah Pass and Manantoddy including the ghaut.	6,450	6,282	168	Repairs required between Periah and Manantoddy, and constant conservancy on the Periah Ghaut. The two together will require not less than Rupees 1,000.
3. Kootiadie Ghaut and Road	2,700	2,007	693	
4. Road from Luckadie to Manantoddy *via* Terriote, including the Tambercherry Ghaut.	6,400	6,420	.....	This grant is entirely expended owing to expenditure incurred in removing some very heavy slips on the Tambercherry Ghaut and also in renewing some of the temporary bridges between Vythery and Manantoddy. Repairs are also necessarily kept going on to make good damages done by the daily heavy traffic on the Tambercherry Ghaut. This grant requires supplementing to the amount of at least Rupees 1,400.
5. Road from Coorg Frontier to the Periah Ghaut.	2,000	1,012	988	
6. Road from Manantoddy *via* Sultan's Battery to Goodalore.	8,100	3,861	4,239	Very little repair has yet been done on the section between Panamarum and Sultan's Battery, and the surplus, after attending to the absolutely indispensable requirements, I would ask for supplementing the grants on Nos. 2 and 4.
7. Road from Panamarum to Culpathy	1,500	62	1,438	Repairs on this road have not yet been commenced, but are much needed.
8. Road from Coondiate to Tippacadoo *via* the Karkoor Ghaut including ghaut.	5,450	2,884	2,566	Requires a good deal of repair between Goodalore and Tippacadoo, and the ghaut also has the same need to provide against effect of traffic as the other two. Major Raynsford remonstrates strongly against any large reduction of the grant.
Total ...	38,300	27,485	10,815	

WYNAAD VYTHERY,
28th December 1869.

(Signed) R. B. KENNEDY, Major,
Special Executive Engineer, Wynaad.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 26th January 1870.

No. 613. ORDER THEREON, 26th January 1870, No. 319.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 67

THE Government regret that the present state of the Public Works assignment is such as to render their orders of the 30th November 1869, No. 3,783, regarding the reduction of 12 per cent. from the grant for Repairs under "Communications" absolute and imperative, and, as in Proceedings, No. 4,015, of the 28th December 1869, His Excellency the Governor in Council has been compelled to direct the suspension of operations on all Imperial New Works other than "Agricultural—Extraordinary," Major Kennedy will arrange for giving immediate effect to the orders of the 30th November 1869 above quoted.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To Major R. B. Kennedy.
" the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

No. 525

Special Executive Engrs Office
Wynaad Nyflon 28 December 1859

From

The Special Executive Engineer
Wynaad

To

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Madras

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Special Executive Engineer
Wynaad

Malabar District

Wynaad, Division

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Kalpetta 18th October 1869.

Divisional Officer

Received 26th January 1870

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Head Assistant

Collector's Office

No 319. 26th January 1870.

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M.E. Exec. Engrs Office
Wynaad 29th December
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Rbt. B. Kennedy Major
Special Executive Engineer, Wynaad

Public Works Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 7th January 1870

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From the Spl Ex. Engineer

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To
Major R B Kennedy
Contractor of New Works
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Dated

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