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No. 43. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th January 1870, No. 261 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of the Godavery District, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 7th December 1869, No. 324 :—

WITH reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 8th November 1869, No. 3,572, Public Works Department, I have the honour to forward copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer, giving, so far as he can, an approximate estimate of mileage for the Imperial roads in this district.

2. With regard to the roads in the Rampah Country I beg to state that I have just been over the whole of that portion extending from my present station, Korekonda, to the village of Rampah, and some twelve miles right into the unsurveyed tracts. The earth-work of the road is complete for about three-and-a-half miles beyond Gokaverum, or to what I may call the commencement of the continuous jungle. Up to this station from Rajahmundry and beyond this, nearly to Gokaverum, both the earth-work and bridging of small water-courses are complete, but one or two large hill streams must still be bridged. I should call this distance, that is, from Rajahmundry to Gokaverum, eighteen miles. From the commencement of the continuous jungle up to the village of Rampah, about twelve miles, nothing has been done beyond clearing of jungle, a space about fifty yards wide all the way. This stretch is rocky and stony in parts, but a road may be easily made; only there are, I should say, not less than thirty or forty streams to be crossed, and three or four of them of considerable size and that come down heavily in the rainy season. The last four or five miles of the stretch are through a comparatively open and flat country. The whole tract is so feverish that low-country coolies could be got to work there only from the end of February to the end or middle of May, with safety to themselves and their Overseers, that is to say. This road, so far as made by the Revenue Department, was undertaken without estimate. The portion completed is a good fair-weather road now, and if unmetalled I do not think the mileage ought to exceed 60 rupees a mile.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Collector of the Godavery District, dated Dowlaishweram, 2nd December 1869, No. 3,173.

WITH reference to your letter, No. 145, dated 4th instant, I have the honour to inform you that the only Imperial roads in this district are those noted in the margin.

Trunk Road No. VI. from Ellore to Toonee, with a branch from Juggumpetta to Cocanada.
Roads in Rampah Country.

Trunk Road No. VI., *with a branch from Juggumpetta to Cocanada*, a distance of 142 miles.—Of this line, the road between Ellore and Toonee (123 miles in length) has been maintained here and there during the last year, Rupees 11,000 having been allotted in the Budget for that purpose. This road being originally an unmade road, Government ordered the preparation of surveys and estimates for the construction of the same, which will be submitted to them shortly for sanction. The approximate estimate of the mileage would be Rupees 6,000.

2. With regard to the branch road from Juggumpetta to Cocanada, which is nineteen miles in length, I have to state that the line from Cocanada to Samulcottah (distance nine miles) which

runs along the junction canal, was originally constructed from Local Funds, but was since transferred to Imperial Funds. This road has been maintained throughout in good order. For the remaining portion of the branch road, namely, from Peddapoor to Juggumpetta, a distance of eight miles, an estimate for the construction of the same, amounting to Rupees 26,800, was sanctioned in Government Order, No. 1,882, dated 9th June 1869. The mileage would be about 3,282 rupees. You are doubtless aware that I have already applied for a loan of Rupees 10,000 from Local Funds for the commencement of this work this year.

3. The other Imperial road, namely, *roads in the Rampah Country*, was constructed by your department at a cost of Rupees 15,400, and a maintenance grant of Rupees 5,000 was provided in the current year's Budget for the same. As the work was not undertaken by this department, I am unable to give you the number of miles of road completed, as well as the mileage. The Board's Proceedings is herewith returned as requested.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. FRASER,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd October 1869, No. 7,891.

2. The information received has been as far as possible thrown into the form of a tabular statement in the Board's office.

Number and name of road as entered in list contained in paragraph 9 of Government Order, dated 11th November 1868, No. 2,831.	Total mileage in the district.	Number of miles maintained in good order during the year.	Number of miles completed during the year.	Number of miles under construction.	Number of miles not begun.	Remarks.
I.—Great Northern road from Madras to the Bengal Frontier with branch from Juggumpetta to Cocanada.	142	* 9 (of the branch road.)	.....	.....	* 8 (of the branch road.)	The Trunk road (123 miles) is described as maintained "here and there" in order.
3.—Road in Rampah Zemindary.	33½	18	.....	.....	.....	Bridges are still wanting even on the eighteen miles otherwise finished.

* The total length of the branch road is stated to be nineteen miles. The two miles between Samulcottah and Peddapoor are not accounted for.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 3rd February 1870.

No. 44. ORDER THEREON, 3rd February 1870, No. 398.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 9.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

Ed. A. S. Rodgers.

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Trunk Road No. 6 from Ellore to Toonee with a Branch from Juggumpetta to Cocanada.
Roads in Rampah country.

1. *Trunk Road No. 6, with a branch from Juggumpetta to Cocanada* a distance of 142 miles. Of this line, the road between Ellore and Toonee (123 miles in length) has been maintained here and there during the last year, Rupees 11,000 having been allotted in the Budget for that purpose. This road being originally an unmade road, Government ordered the preparation of Surveys and Estimates for the construction of the same, which will be submitted to them shortly for sanction. The approximate estimate of the mileage would be Rupees 6,000.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To the Acting Secretary to Government, Department Public Works,
with Statement.

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To Lieutenant Colonel
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