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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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No. 230. Read the following Endorsement of the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 3rd June 1871, No. 246:—

From the Agent of the Great Southern of India Railway, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Negapatam, 1st June 1871, No. 4,055.

I SHALL feel obliged by your submitting to Government the attached extract from a letter received by the last mail from the Secretary, in which the Directors express their regret at the delay which has occurred in starting work upon the Southern Extension.

GREAT SOUTHERN OF INDIA RAILWAY.

SOUTHERN EXTENSION.

Secretary's letter No. 37, 5th May 1871.

FROM the correspondence that has passed on this subject, the Directors learn that the working surveys, sections, and land schedules have been completed, and that the last were forwarded to the Consulting Engineer for Railways in December last, some having been sent in during the months of September and October. They had hoped that before this date sanction might have been accorded to the actual commencement of the works, and are therefore much disappointed that no intimation to that effect has yet been received. They greatly regret the delay that has occurred, and trust that you endeavour by all the means in your power to assist the Government in coming to a decision, respectfully representing to them, if necessary, how desirable it is that active measures should as soon as possible be adopted for the prosecution of the undertaking. It is unnecessary to recapitulate at length the steps that have been taken by the Board with the view to expedite, so far as lay in their power, the carrying out of the extension line. Considering that the share capital has been issued and paid up, that the necessary staff is now in India, and that a large proportion of the permanent-way material has already been provided, the Directors conceive that it would be to the advantage of the Government, equally with the Company, that these should be rendered practically serviceable at the earliest possible period.

(Signed) W. S. BETTS,
Agent.

21st May 1871.

SUBMITTED to the Government.

2. The surveys and sections of the extension of the Great Southern of India Railway were sent to the Government with my report of the 21st January, which was forwarded to the Government of India in letter, No. 457, dated 14th February 1871.

2. On the 17th March, the Government of India approved, in their letter No. 469-R., of the location of the line, on the condition that the narrow gauge be adopted; and the Government in G. O., No. 939, of 30th March, paragraph 5, require the Consulting Engineer to call upon the officers of the Company to recast the plans and estimates for the gauge of 3 feet 3 inches.

3. It was anticipated in paragraph 3 of this office endorsement No. 104, dated 16th March 1871, that the Board of Directors would take notice of the

Vide G. O., No. 987, 3rd April 1871.
Chief Engineer's representations regarding the delay in commencing the construction of the new line; but the Board probably had not heard of the decision of the Government in favour of the narrow gauge at the time of writing the present letter.

Endeavour

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th June 1871.

4. The plans and estimates are now in course of revision by the Chief Engineer, and some time further must necessarily elapse before construction is commenced.

(Signed) H. L. PRENDERGAST, Major, R. E.,
Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 231.

ORDER THEREON, 15th June 1871, No. 1,000.

RAILWAY, No. 28.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Ed. E. C. Shanker.

Great Southern of India Railway

Southern Extension

Secretary's letter N. 34 — 5th May 1871

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William B. Esch
Agent
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AGENTS OFFICE,

NEGAPATAM,

1871.

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To

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Madras
3rd June
1871

Charles Henderson Major R.E.
c/o: General Engrs for R.E.

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Depart.
Fort Saint George.

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J. H. [unclear]
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Dated.

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G. O. 15 June 1871. No. 1600.

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Railway - Papers submitted
by the Comptroller of the
-General, the delay in
the commencing operation
on the Southern Extension
of the Great Southern of
India Railway, recorded.