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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 26th July 1871.

No. 448. Read the following letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 15th July 1871, No. 313:—

With reference to paragraph 2 of G. O., No. 3,102, of the 20th December 1870, I have the honour to submit two letters* received from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, in the latter of which it is requested that the allocation of the charges in connection with the repair and re-construction of the Cheyaur bridge may be deferred pending a reference to the Board of Directors.

* Nos. 56 and 414, dated 24th January and 14th July 1871.

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 24th January 1871, No. 56.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter No. 50, dated the 23rd instant, I have the honour to observe that I have not overlooked the question raised in your communication of the 21st of December, No. 746.

2. It appears to me that it would be premature to offer any opinion as to whether the cost of the girders for the Cheyaur bridge should be charged to Revenue or to Capital, inasmuch as that question can only be determined by the result of the examination of the foundations. If, upon inspection, the foundations are found to be all that could be desired then it appears to me that the unfortunate catastrophe must be looked upon as an *actus Dei*, and in that case I should urge that a part, if not the whole, of the cost be made a charge to Capital. If, on the other hand, the failure is traceable to faulty construction, the cost of the renewal will fall upon Revenue.

From the same officer, dated Madras, 14th July 1871, No. 414.

With reference to your letter No. 446, of the 13th instant, I have the honour to inform you that the question of the allocation of the charges in connection with the repair and re-construction of the Cheyaur bridge has been referred to my Directors, and I request that you will be so good as to allow the matter to rest until their instructions upon the subject are communicated to me.

No. 449. Order thereon, 26th July 1871, No. 1,964.

RAILWAY, No. 49.

The Government will await the further report which the Agent proposes to submit on hearing from his Board of Directors in reply to a reference made to them on the question of the incidence of the cost of the repair and eventual re-construction of the Cheyaur bridge.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No. 56.

MADRAS RAILWAY. 37

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 24th January 1871.

From

Robert D. Elwin Esqre.

Agent and Manager. M. S. A.

To

Captain H. L. Prendergast, R.E.

&c. *Consulting Engineer for Railways.*

SIR,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter A. 50 dated the 23 instant, I have the honor to observe that I have not overlooked the question raised in your communication of the 21st of December A. 746.

2. It appears to me that it would be premature to offer any opinion as to whether the cost of the Girders for the Cheyair bridge should be charged to Revenue or to Capital, inasmuch as that question can only be determined by the result of the examination of the foundations. If upon inspection the foundations are found to be all that could be desired then it appears to me that the unfortunate catastrophe must be looked upon as an actus Dei and in that case I should urge that a part if not the whole of the cost be made a charge to Capital. If on the other hand the failure is traceable to faulty construction, the cost of the renewal will

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fall upon Revenue.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient Servt.

Hon. J. J. Crittenden
Secretary Treasury.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To P/F 3428/71

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated 24th January 1871.

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No. 56.

Replying to letter No 50, as to whether the Cost of the Girders for the Cheyair bridge should be Charged to Revenue or to Capital.

No. 414

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 14th July 1871.

From

Beresford Anderson Esqre.

Actg Agent and Manager.

To

Major H. L. Prendergast R. E.

Actg Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. 446 of the 13th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the question of the allocation of the charges in connection with the repair and re-construction of the Cheyair Bridge has been referred to my Directors and I request that you will be so good as to allow the matter to rest until their instructions upon the subject are communicated to me.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Sv.
Beresford Anderson.

Actg Agent and Manager.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Dated 14th July 1871.

Received 15th July 1871.

No. 4144

Replying with reference to the charges which are claimed in connection with the repair and reconstruction of the

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Railway Department.

No. 213.

From Major H. L. Pendergast R.E.
As Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To Colonel I. Carpendale R.E.
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to paragraph 2 of G.O. No 3102 of the 20th December 1870, I have the honour to submit two letters* received from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company; in the latter of which it is requested that the allocation of the charges in connection with the repair and reconstruction of

* Nos 56 & 114 dated 24th January and 14th July 1871.

of the Cheyaur Bridge may be
deferred pending a reference to
the Board of Directors.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,
H. L. Pendergast
Major R.E.
Madras
15th July 1871
Asst Cons Engr for Railways

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From No. 3428

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

Dated 15th July 1871.
Received 17th

No. 313.
Rec'd: 24

Submitting two letters received from the Agent & Manager of the S. I. Ry. Co. regarding the allocation of the charges in connection with the repair & reconstruction of the Cheyaur bridge in 1964-1965-26 July 71.

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From the Consulting Engineer for Railways No. 313 of 15th July 1871

The Government will await the further report which the Agent proposes to submit on hearing from his Board of Directors in reply to a reference made to them on the question of the incidence of the cost of the repair and eventual reconstruction of the Cheyaur bridge.

No. 12 To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Docket No. 1965 dated 26.

Dept. 27/7/71.

Copy of the above forwarded to the Govt. of

of India's with reference to
their letter dated 10th
December 1870 No 1995 R.

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Forwarding Copy of Corr.
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the cost of the repair of
the Jhelum Bridge on the
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To The Chief Consulting Engr for Railways and To the Secretary to the Govt of India

Dated

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Forwd Nos. 448-449 & 450

Chingleput Bridge (Railway)

Forwg report on the question of the retention of the road for the repair & eventual re-construction of the Chingleput Bridge, R. Railway, Madras Ry, awaited.