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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 20th December 1872.

Read the following papers:—

No. 471. Endorsement of the Financial Department, dated Fort St. George, 29th November 1872.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd November 1872, No. 2,259.

From the Acting Collector of the Godavery District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 4th November 1872, No. 344:—

THE village of Sanapillilanka, in the Amalapur Taluq, is separated from some of its lands by the east bank canal, and there was an old palmyrah bridge which has now fallen down. The Sub-Collector proposed to supply a ferry boat to the villages, but as the Superintending Engineer informed me that the bridge could be re-constructed, I considered the supply of a ferry boat unnecessary. The Superintending Engineer now says that the construction of bridges is inadvisable, meaning that it would be an obstruction to navigation. I do not myself agree with the Superintending Engineer, as I consider that the supply of a ferry boat is not all that is required. The villagers will then be obliged to employ a ferryman and pay or fee him themselves, and I am averse to adding to their liabilities in the form of several small impositions. The levy of a toll is discouraging to the people, and I would not suggest it.

2. Copies of the correspondence on the subject are enclosed for the Board's information, and I have the honour to request instructions of the Board. If they think that a ferry boat may be supplied, I request they will obtain the authority of Government for the expenditure.

To Superintending Engineer, 1st Oct. 1872, No. 118.
From Superintending Engineer, 5th Oct. 1872, No. 2,433.
From Superintending Engineer, 24th Oct. 1872, No. 2,628.
From Sub-Collector, 15th July 1872, No. 246.
To do. 22nd July ,, ,, 241.
From do. 12th Sept. ,, ,, 322.
To do. 12th Oct. ,, ,, 331.

From the Acting Collector of the Godavery District, to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, dated Cocanada, 1st October 1872, No. 118.

THE Sub-Collector informs me that in the village of Sanapillilanka, in the Amalapur Taluq, there was an old palmyrah bridge constructed by your department some ten years ago, but that as it has fallen down, and the canal is not fordable when full, the villagers are put to inconvenience. The village is situated on one side of the canal, and lands bearing an assessment of Rupees 5,200 are on the other. It seems that the bridge can be re-constructed at a cost of 150 Rupees. I have the honour to request that you will inform me whether the bridge can be re-constructed by your department, and if so, when.

From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Collector of the Godavery District, dated Dowlaishweram, 5th October 1872, No. 2,433.

IN reply to your letter of the 1st instant, No. 118, I have honour to inform you that the bridge across the canal near the village of Sanapillilanka, in the Amalapur Taluq, can be built by this department, and orders will be given to do so as soon as possible, but it is not likely to be finished till the monsoon rains are over.

From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Collector of the Godavery District, dated Dowlaishweram, 24th October 1872, No. 2,628.

IN continuation of my letter, No. 2,433, dated 5th instant, I have the honour, in forwarding herewith copy of a letter from the Supervisor in charge of the Central Delta Range, to invite your

attention to the latter part of it. I quite agree with Mr. Ellis in considering it inadvisable to put up palmyrah bridges at short distances on navigable canals, and it would be far better to have ferry boats, which can be supplied by this department if the requisite funds are made over to us, or their cost can be met from the allotment at my disposal under Repairs Agricultural, if approved of by Government.

From the Officer in charge, No. II. Range, Godavery, to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, dated Ganaram, 10th October 1872, No. 41.

WITH reference to your memorandum, No. 2,429, I beg to inform you that a palmyrah bridge across the east bank canal at Sanapillilanka will cost Rupees 150, and require yearly patching and repairing, subject also to the too frequent loss of planking by stealth. The site of this bridge is within 2½ miles of the Mukteswaram wooden truss bridge, and I do not think it advisable to construct it. You are aware what trouble these bridges give to navigation. I would suggest a ferry boat instead, which originally costing a trifle more than a temporary bridge is easier kept up and better taken care of by the villagers. I have not lost sight of the discomfort which Sanapillilanka, with other villages on this canal, suffers for want of some transit across. I had in my letter, No. 368, dated 30th June 1871, applied for ferry boats to the following villages, but the Collector in his No. 128, dated 18th July 1871, refused to supply them. They may now be sent if advisable :—

1. Yanugamah.
2. Wanapilly.
3. Maddipella.
4. Sanapillilanka.
5. Kondakuduru.
6. Tanalanka.
7. Komanapilly.
8. Anampilly.

From the Acting Sub-Collector, to the Acting Collector of the Godavery District, dated Amalapur, 15th July 1872, No. 246.

I HAVE the honour to request that you will be good enough to direct the supply of a ballacat for crossing the east bank canal near Sanapillilanka, in the Amalapur Taluq.

2. The village of Sanapillilanka is situated on one side of the canal, and lands* bearing an assessment of Rupees 5,200 on the other side. There was some time ago a palmyrah bridge over the canal at this point, but it has fallen down, and has not been re-constructed. The canal is not fordable when full.

* Acres 1,043 held by 50 Ryots.

From the Acting Collector of the Godavery District, to the Acting Sub-Collector, dated Cocanada, 22nd July 1872, No. 241.

REFERRING to your letter of the 15th instant, No. 246, I have the honour to inquire by whom, when, and at what cost the old palmyrah bridge was constructed, and whether it cannot now be re-constructed.

2. In regard to your application for a boat to Peraveram villagers, the Board wished to know whether any tolls were to be levied, and I replied in the negative. Awaiting their orders on the subject, I request that you will let me know whether in the event of a ferry boat being supplied to the villagers of Sanapillilanka, you would propose the levy of a toll, and at what rate. The probable annual income should also be stated.

From the Acting Sub-Collector, to the Acting Collector of the Godavery District, dated Rajahmundry, 12th September 1872, No. 332.

IN reply to your letter, No. 241, dated 22nd July last, I have the honour to state that the old palmyrah bridge therein referred to was constructed some ten years ago by the Department Public Works. The villagers estimate the cost at about Rupees 150; it can now be re-constructed by the Public Works Department, if they are prepared to do it. I think, however, that a ballacat is more suitable, especially as the canal is likely to be widened and altered shortly when a bridge constructed now would also have to be altered.

2. I do not consider it advisable to levy a toll at the Sanapillilanka ferry; it is across an anicut-canal, and such ferries are free throughout the district.

From the Acting Collector of the Godavery District, to the Acting Sub-Collector, dated Cocanada, 12th October 1872, No. 331.

IN reply to your letters of the dates and numbers as per margin, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer, dated the 5th instant, No. 2,433.

15th July No. 246.
12th Sept. ,, 322.

2. You will observe that the bridge across the canal at Sanapillilanka would be re-constructed by the Public Works Department, and I therefore consider it unnecessary to supply the villagers with a ballacat. It will probably be a long time before the canal is widened, so it will be best to postpone the subject of the ballacat till then.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. A palmyrah bridge across the canal at Sanapillilanka, which connected the village with lands belonging to it, assessed at Rupees 5,200, has fallen to pieces, and the villagers wish to have it replaced.

3. From the papers it appears that the bridge would cost only Rupees 150, and might last (as the last one did) ten years.

4. The Superintending Engineer thinks it would be better to have a ferry boat, because bridges of this kind impede navigation.

5. The Board agree with the Collector that a ferry boat would cause inconvenience and expense to the villagers, and the question being not whether a new bridge should be thrown across the canal, but an old one replaced at a trifling cost, should be answered in the affirmative.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for disposal.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 302.

No. 472. *Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.*

I THINK that, for the convenience of the villagers, the palmyrah bridge near Sanapillilanka in the Central Delta of the Godavery should be restored at once, the cost being debited to Agricultural Repair Funds. Provision for such navigation as exists in this part of the delta can, no doubt, be made in re-constructing the bridge, and, in the estimates for improving and completing the Irrigation Works of the Central Delta, an estimate for a permanent structure of suitable design should be included.

FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) J. MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
3rd December 1872. *Chief Engineer for Irrigation.*

No. 473. ORDER THEREON, 20th December 1872, No. 3,037.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 24.

THE District Engineer, Godavery, will arrange for the restoration of the Sanapillilanka bridge in accordance

with the recommendation of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, and the requirements of this and other villages should be duly considered in the estimates for the completion of the Central Delta system of irrigation and navigation.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

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Gen. Ft. Dept.

No. 2,259.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd November 1872.

Read the following letter from W. S. FOSTER, Esq., Acting Collector of the Godavery District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cocanada, 4th November 1872, No. 344:—

The Village of Sanapillilanka, in the Amalapur taluq, is separated from some of its lands by the East Bank Canal, and there was an old palmirah bridge which has now fallen down. The Sub-Collector proposed to supply a ferry boat to the villagers, but as the Superintending Engineer informed me that the bridge could be re-constructed, I considered the supply of a ferry boat unnecessary. The Superintending Engineer now says that the construction of bridges is inadvisable, meaning that it would be an obstruction to navigation. I do not myself agree with the Superintending Engineer as I consider that the supply of a ferry boat is not all that is required. The villagers will then be obliged to employ a ferryman and pay or fee him themselves, and I am averse to adding to their liabilities in the form of several small impositions. The levy of a toll is discouraging to the people, and I would not suggest it.

2. Copies of the correspondence on the subject are enclosed for the Board's information, and I have the honour to request instructions of the Board. If they think that a ferry boat may be supplied, I request they will obtain the authority of Government for the expenditure.

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From Sub-Collector, 12th Sept. 1872, No. 322.
To Sub-Collector, 12th October 1872, No. 331.

Enclosure No. 1.—Correspondence.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. A palmirah bridge across the canal at Sanapillilanka which connected the village with lands belonging to it assessed at Rupees 5,200 has fallen to pieces and the villagers wish to have it replaced.

3. From the papers it appears that the bridge would cost only Rupees 150 and might last (as the last one did) ten years.

4. The Superintending Engineer thinks it would be better to have a ferry boat because bridges of this kind impede navigation.

5. The Board agree with the Collector that a ferry boat would cause inconvenience and expense to the villagers, and the question, being not whether a new bridge should be thrown across the canal, but an old one replaced at a trifling cost, should be answered in the affirmative.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

H Conle
Secretary.

To the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
with one enclosure.
" the Acting Collector of the Godavery District.
" the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

Recd. 3 Dec 1872.

Recd. 29 November 1872.

Read 5 December 1872.

Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS 23RD NOVEMBER 1872, No. 2,259.

Copy of Letter No. 2,435, dated 25th November 1872, from the Collector of Godavery.

Received 28th November 1872.

Read 5th December 1872.

P.R. 5793/72.

NOVEMBER.
No. 2,259.

Palmirah bridge—across canal at Sanapillilanka, in Amalapur Taluq, Godavery District, which connected village with lands belonging to it and has fallen down.—Recommendation made to Government that bridge should be replaced at a cost of Rupees 150 rather than a ferry boat being supplied to villagers as proposed by Superintending Engineer.

Enclosure No. 2,435, dated 25th November 1872.

No. 302.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

I think that, for the convenience of the Villagers, the palmyra bridge near Sanapillilanka on the Central Delta of the Godavery should be restored at once, the cost being debited to agricultural Repair funds. Provision for such navigation as exists in this part of the Delta can no doubt be made in reconstructing the bridge, and, in the Estimates for improving and Completing the Irrigation works of the Central Delta, an estimate for a permanent structure of suitable design should be included

Fort St. George
3d December 1872

Edmd Mullins Lt Col RE.
Chief Engineer for Irrgn.

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

No 118

Godavary District
Collectors Office Cocanada
1 October 1872

To
The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Sir.

The Sub Collector informs me that in the village of Sarapillilanka in the Ramalapur Taluk, there was an old Calingre bridge Constructed by your Department some 10 years ago, but that as it has fallen down, and the Canal is not fordable when full, the villagers are put to inconvenience. The village is situated on one side of the Canal and lands bearing an Assessment of Rupees 5203 are on the other. It seems that the bridge can be re-constructed at a cost of 150 Rupees. I have the honor to request that you will inform me whether the bridge can be re-constructed by your Department, and if so, when -

I have &c
(Signed) W. S. Fraser
Ag Collector

P. Rs. 1842 2 Bullocks
Estimate No 5793
The Chintapilly Farm
Rs 29 4 Pies

To
The Secretary to Govt
F.W.P. &c.

Rs 302
Rates 3 Pies
Rs 3 8 Pies per Rupee
Rs 0 5 Pies
Rs 302 4 Pies

Recommended for sanction. The bridge is situated on the Ramalapur Taluk Canal in the Godavary District.

Rs 3039-20 Allowed 1/12

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No 2433 Supy Engineers Office
1st Division
Dowleswaram 5 Octr 72

To The Collector of Godavery District

Sir,

In reply to your letter of 1st Instant No 118, I have the honor to inform you that the bridge across the canal near the village of Sanapilly lanka in the Amalapur Taluk, can be built by this Department, & orders will be given to do so as soon as possible, but it is not likely to be finished till the monsoon rains are over.

I have &c
(Signed) S.F. Fischer Lt Col RE
Dy Supy Engr 1st Div

No 2628- Supy Engineers Office 1st Divn
Dowleswaram 24th October 72

To The Collector of Godavery

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No 2433 dated 5th Instant, I have the honor to forwarding herewith copy of letter from the Superintending Engineer of the Central Delta Range, to invite your attention to the latter part of it. I quite agree with Mr Ellis in considering it inadvisable to put up palmyra bridges at short distances on navigable canals, and it would be far better to have ferry boats which can be supplied by this Department if the requisite funds are made over to us, or their cost can be met from the allotment at my disposal under Repairs Agricultural if approved of by Government.

I have &c
(Signed) A.R. Mead Capt RE
For Dy Supy Engineer 1st Div

No 41 No II Range Office Gannaram 10 Octr 1872
From the Officer In charge No II Range Godavery
To The Superintending Engineer 1st Division

Sir,

With reference to your Memo No 2429, I beg to inform you, that a Palmyra bridge across the Eastbank Canal at Sanapillilanka will cost Rupees 150, and require yearly patching, and repairing, subject also to the too frequent loss of planking by stealth. The site of this bridge is within 2½ miles of the Mukteswaram wooden truss bridge, and I do not think it advisable to construct it - You are aware what trouble these bridges give to Navigation, I would suggest a ferry boat instead, which originally costing a trifle more than a temporary bridge, is easier kept up and better taken care of by the villagers - I have not lost sight of the discomfort which Sanapillilanka with other villages on this canal suffers for want of some transit across. I had in my letter No 368 dated 30 June 1871 applied for ferry boats to the following villages but

the Collector in his No 128 dated 18th July 1871, requesting to supply steam - They may now be sent if advisable -

I have &c
(Signed) J Ellis Supervisor
No II Range.

1 Yanagamuwa	5 Kondakadawara
2 Wanapilly	6 Jaicalanka
3 Mandipella	7 Komanapilly
4 Thanapillankaa	8 Arampilly -

True Copy
(Signed) A R Meadows
for Dy Supy Engineer.

True Copies
W S Foster
Dy Collector

No 246

Gedaweny District
Sub Collector's Office
Annalapur 15 July 1872

From A L Stuart Esqr
Ag Sub Collector
To W S Foster Esquire
Dy Collector
Sir

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to direct the supply of a Ballast for Grapping the East bank Canal near Sanapillilanka in the Annalapur Taluk

2. The village of Sanapillilanka is situated on one side of the Canal and lands bearing an assessment of Rupees 5200 on the other side - There was some time ago a palmira bridge over the Canal at this point, but it has fallen down and has not been re constructed - The Canal is not passable when full -

Rupees 1648 held by 50 Rgots

I have &c
(Signed) A L Stuart
Ag Sub Collector

No 241.

Gedaweny District
Collector's Office Vinnaka
23d July 1872

To The Dy Sub Collector
Gedaweny District
Sir.

Referring to your letter of the 15th Inst. No 246, I have the honor to enquire by whom, when and at what cost the old

palmyra bridge was constructed, and whether it cannot now be re-constructed.

2 In regard to your application for a boat to Pirapuram villagers, the Board wished to know whether any tolls were to be levied, and I replied in the negative. Awaiting their orders on the subject, I request that you will let me know whether in the event of a ferry boat being supplied to the villagers of Sanapilli-kulka, you would propose the levy of a toll and at what rate. The probable annual income should also be stated.

I have &c
(Signed) W S Foster
Ag Collector

No 322. Godaveery District
Sub Collectors Office Rajahmundry
12 Septr 1872

To W S Foster Esquire
Ag Collector

Sir,

In reply to your letter No 241 dated 22d July last, I have the honor to state that the old palmyra bridge therein referred to was constructed some 10 years ago by the Department Public Works. The villagers estimate the cost at about Rs 150: it can now be reconstructed by the P.W. Dept if they are prepared to do it. I think however that a [illegible] is more suitable especially as the [illegible] likely to be widened and altered

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shortly when a bridge constructed now would also have to be altered. (15)

2 I do not consider it advisable to levy a toll at the Sanapilli-kulka ferry; it is across an Anicut canal and such ferries are free throughout the District.

I have &c
(Signed) A Stewart
Ag Sub Collector.

No 331. Godaveery District
Collectors Office Cocanada
12 October 1872

To The Ag Sub Collector
Godaveery District

Sir,

In reply to your letters of the dates and numbers as per margin, I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer dated the 5th Instant No 2433.

2. You will observe that the bridge across the canal at Sanapillikulka would be re-constructed by the P.W.D. and I therefore consider it unnecessary to supply the villagers with a Ballam-kat. It will probably be a long time before the canal is widened, so it will be best to postpone the subject of the Ballam-kat till then.

I have &c
True Copies (Signed) W S Foster
Ag Collector

W S Foster
Ag Collector

Public Works Department

No. 3037

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following

Endorsement from the Sec.y Dept. (Ir.) dy 29th Nov 1872

From The Chief Engineer for Irrigation. } H.E. No. 3027 dy 3rd Dec 1872

The District Engineer Godavery will arrange for the restoration of the Sanapillilanka bridge in accordance with the recommendation of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, and the requirements of this and other villages should be duly considered in the estimates for the completion of the Central Delta

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1st Dec 1872

Secretary Finance Commerce & Industry Dept.

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Madras, Sanitary

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Jan. 3rd 1873

Copies to Chief Engineer

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Ag. Public Works Dept.

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Ag. Sec.l 4-3-73

system of irrigation and navigation

Encl: 3/12

To
The Dt. Engr. Godavery
& Chief Engr. for Irrign.

Dated 23/12/22

No: 5993 & 5938

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The District Engineer

Godavery

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Nos. 471-472 & 473

Sarapillilanka Bridge.

Issuing instructions for the restoration of the Sarapilli-lanka bridge, Godavery Dt.