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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th November 1874.*

No. 59. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 30th September 1874, No. 1,242.

Read the following papers:—

Telegram from the Collector of Kistna, dated Masulipatam, 28th September 1874.

"Disastrous flood in Kistna. Subsiding. Establishing communication with Divi. Loss of about 12 lives reported. I fear it will be more. River bank and canals much damaged. Must be great damage to crops. The water at anicut was one foot eleven higher than ever before."

Telegram to the Collector of Kistna, dated 30th September 1874.

"Your telegram 28th. The Government much regret reported loss of life and property. They authorize measures of relief to sufferers at your discretion and await your further report."

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department and Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government, R.D.

No. 60. ORDER THEREON, 4th November 1874, No. 3,133.

IRRIGATION, No. 4.

AFTER the heavy floods of August 1870, the Government in Order No. 2,937, of 3rd December 1870, called on the Chief Engineer for Irrigation to report what measures were feasible for protection of the Divi Division.

2. In his report recorded with No. 722, of 10th March 1871, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation recommended makeshift sluices at the heads of channels, moderate repairs of existing embankments, and planting lunka grass, pending execution of the works for bringing Divi under the Kistna anicut, expected to be carried out early in 1872 at latest.

3. The Chief Engineer for Irrigation will now report the progress made with the head sluices sanctioned in G. O., No. 2,385, of 19th September 1871, and No. 1,265, of 11th May 1874, on an estimate of Rupees 8,209; and whether they were sufficiently advanced to have any, and if any what, effect during the late floods.

4. From the report of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, recorded with G. O., No. 2,732, of 29th September, it appears that not only are the works for irrigating Divi not commenced, but the estimates are not yet submitted for sanction, and that if sanctioned in time to admit of work being commenced in

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1875-76 it will take four years at least before water can be made available for Irrigation; and ten years before the principal drainages and channels can be completed. Lieutenant-Colonel Mullins will therefore report, what, under these circumstances, and in view of the excessive floods of last September, should be done for the better protection of the people in the meanwhile.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
.. Superintending Engineer, Kistna.
.. Revenue Department.

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30th September 1874.*

Read the following papers:—

Nò. 275. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Ootacamund, dated 28th September 1874.

DISASTROUS floods in Kistna subsiding. Establishing communication with Divi. Loss of about twelve lives reported. I fear it will be more. River banks and canals much damaged. Must be great damage to crops. The water at anicut was one foot eleven higher than ever before.

No. 275A. Telegram from Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, to the Collector of Kistna, dated 30th September 1874, No. 95.

Your telegram 28th. The Government much regret reported loss of life and property. They authorise measures of relief to sufferers at your discretion, and await your further report.

No. 276. ORDER THEREON, 30th September 1874, No. 1,242.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department and Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

W. H. Master
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
.. the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Read the following papers:—

Telegram from the Collector of Kistna, dated, Marulipatam, 28 September 1874:—

"Disastrous flood in Kistna. Subsiding. Establishing communication with Divi. Loss of about 12 lives reported. I fear it will be more. River bank and canals much damaged. Must be great damage to crops. The water at Anicut was one foot eleven higher than ever before."

Telegram to the Collector of Kistna, dated 30 September 1874:—

"Your telegram 28th. The Government much regret reported loss of life and property. They authorize measures of relief to sufferers at your discretion and await your further report."

Order thereon, 30th September 1874, N:1242

Communicated to the Public Works Department and Board of Revenue

(True Extract)
Master
Asst. Secretary to Govt.

To the Public Works Department

Read the following:

Pro: often heard as costly

Rev: Deharts

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It appears that after the heavy floods of August 1840, the Govt. in Order No. 2934 of 3^d December 1840 called on the Chief Engineer for Irrigation to report what measures were feasible for protection of the Div. Division. In his Report No. 4222 of 10th March 1841, the Chief Engineer for

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My dear Sir,

~~14 October 1874.~~

James M. Smith

W. 1874 Sept.
No. 6139A
Re: of the madras gov.
Revenue Dept.

Dated 30th Sepbr 1874
Recd 1st Octbr. 1874

No. 1242.
El. No. 233.4-11-24.

Continued

a telegram from the

Collector's name

Refining Wood

in the district

the reply enclosing

the collection to

1871

was many
years ago -

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Lupinus albus L.

~~Dec 12 1872~~

Irrigation recommended
matershift sluices at
the heads of Channels
moderate repairs of
existing embankments
and planting Sunka
Grass pending execution
of the works for bringing
Dive under the Ristna
amunt, expected to be car-
ried out early in 1872
at latest.

The Chief Engineer for
Irrigation will now
report the progress
made with the maters-
shift Head Sluices sanc-
tioned in L. O. No. 2385
of 19th September 1871 and
No. 1265 of 11th May 1874,

or

an estimate of Progress
and whether they were
sufficiently advanced
to have any, and if any
what, effect during the
late floods.

From the Report of
the Chief Engineer for
Irrigation recorded with
L. O. No. 2732 of 29th September
it appears that not
only are the works for
irrigating Dive not
commenced, but the
estimates are not yet
submitted for sanction
and that if sanctioned
in time to admit of
work being commenced
in 1875-76 it will take

ears at least before
they can be made
available for irrigation,
so years before the
principal drainages
and channels can be
completed. Doubtless
nothing will therefore
be lost, what under
these circumstances
and in view of the
excessive floods of last
September, should be done
for the better protection
of the people in the
meantime.

Yours

Ch: Engr for Bangkok
S. Engr Khosatra
Rev: Dep. to
S. Capt. depts 11/11/74

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Govt. of 1874 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Chief Engineer
for Irrigation.

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

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Head Sluices in the
Divi Division - Pudukottai
District - The Chief Engineer
for Irrigation to report the
progress made with the
Head Sluices sanctioned
in 1871 and 1874 for con-
trolling the flow of water
& whether they were suffi-
ciently advanced to have
any effect during the late
floods & also to report
what should be done
with the sluices.