

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th November 1875.

No. 66 Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Public
Works Department (Railway), dated Simla, 18th October 1875, No. 2,590—
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Accident near Kutnee on the Jubbulpore Line, East Indian Railway.

READ—

Letter No 2,311, dated the 30th August 1875, from the Consulting Engineer to the
Government of India for Guaranteed Railways, Calcutta.

OBSERVATIONS—A serious accident occurred near the station of Kutnee on the
Jubbulpore Line of the East Indian Railway on the night of the 14th August 1875,
in which the loss of life and injuries consisted of eleven killed and thirteen injured.
The derailment occurred when the train was running at a speed of over thirty miles an
hour. All the evidence adduced at the official inquiry tends to prove that the acci-
dent was owing to the cow-catcher having been insecurely fastened to the engine. It
is supposed to have slipped from its position and got foul of the engine wheels and
thus caused the derailment.

RESOLUTION—The Government of India, with a view to the prevention of a
similar catastrophe in future, desire that due instructions be issued for the careful
examination of the fastenings of the cow-catchers attached to all engines every time
they are permitted to leave the running sheds preparatory to being used upon the main
line.

ORDER—Ordered that this Resolution be communicated to the Consulting
Engineer to the Government of India for Guaranteed Railways at Calcutta, with
reference to his No. 2,311, of the 30th August 1875, and to the Consulting Engineers
at Lahore and Lucknow, and to the Director of State Railways, for information and
necessary action.

Also to the Governments of Madras and Bombay in the Public Works Department
(Railway), to the Government of the North-Western Provinces, to Chief Commissioner,
Central Provinces, to the Chief Commissioner, British Burmah, and to the Resident at
Hyderabad, for information and issue of orders.

(Signed) H. DRUMMOND, Colonel, R.E.,
Deputy Secretary

No. 67. ORDER THEREON, 4th November 1875, No 3,120.

RAILWAY, No 11-A COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engi-
neer who will call upon the Agents of the
Madras Railways to take the precautions
ordered by the Government of India.
(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.
To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Exd W J Lewis
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
RAILWAY.

To

Nos 2590—99R

Dated SIMLA, October 18, 1875

Received Nov 3rd "

No: 2594 R.

Accident near Kutnee on the Jubbulpore Line East
Indian Railway

With order

No 3120.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer who will call upon the Agents of the Madras Railway to take the present order of the Government of India.

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4. Nov 1875

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