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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th July 1876. No. 1,722.*

No. 114. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 12th May 1876, No. 852 :—

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th April 1876, No. 956 :—

Read again—

Proceedings, Board of Revenue, 25th August 1875, No. 2,413.

Read the following letter from H. S. THOMAS, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Tanjore District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vallam, 13th August 1875, No. 575 :—

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith copy of a resolution passed by the Local Fund Board of the Tanjore Circle at their meeting held on the 24th April last, proposing to pay a sum of Rupees 3,000 towards the formation of a road along the south bank of the Tirumalarajen River to connect Road No. 15 with No. 14, which lead from Combaconum to Needamungalum and Kordacherry, respectively. The total cost is estimated at Rupees 5,900.

2. At present there is a very fair bandy-track on the embankment of the river by which the villagers travel; and as it is very low, and as none of the surplus drainage channels on it are sluiced, the whole track and the adjoining country are submerged during the floods, so that the villages along that track are at such times cut off from communication with the two high roads above mentioned, and a proper road is therefore not undesirable.

3. The Superintending Engineer, in proposing for agricultural purposes to strengthen the embankment so as to prevent inundation of these villages, states that the low bank that forms the present bandy-track would be buried and obliterated by the new bank, and consequently the villagers would be put to much inconvenience, and suggested to the Local Fund Board that the higher agricultural embankment to be raised should be so widened as to serve the purposes of a road at the estimated cost above referred to, viz., Rupees 5,900, and that of this amount Rupees 4,000 should be paid out of Local Funds, the remaining portion being disbursed from Imperial Funds.

4. The Local Fund Board, taking into consideration the advantage, as regards better communication, they would derive by the embankment being so made as to serve as a road, have consented to contribute a moiety of the cost, viz., Rupees 3,000, out of the funds at their disposal, the other moiety being paid out of Imperial Funds on the ground of its being a river embankment required to keep the country from being inundated; but, considering also that they already have a very fair cart-track which, but for the clashing of agricultural interests, could be improved at a much less sum than Rupees 3,000, the Commissioners thought that Rupees 3,000 was a liberal contribution on their part, and that they ought not to be asked for a larger share of the estimate.

5. I have the honor, therefore, to request that the Board of Revenue will be pleased to sanction the proposal of the Local Fund Board.

6. I beg, however, to state that at present there is a difficulty in providing funds for this purpose—since, as the Board of Revenue are aware, the Tanjore Local

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Fund Board are in want of funds—out of *Road Funds*. I would, therefore, propose that the amount now asked for may be met from the unappropriated portion of the Road Fund Reserve of the Circle for the current year, which now amounts to only Rupees 3,155, and any amount that may be required for unforeseen works during the current year may be defrayed from the savings that may be effected by postponing some of the works sanctioned during this year, and which do not appear at present to be very emergent, and which savings the District Engineer tells me may be taken at Rupees 6,050.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

THE President is requested to ascertain what the Superintending Engineer is going to do, and whether the work is about to be carried out so far as required for agricultural purposes. Until this is known, it seems premature to make an allotment. The Board, however, fully approve the views expressed by the Local Fund Board in their resolution.

2. The Board also wish to know, at an early date, on what works Rupees 6,050 is to be surrendered.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

Proceedings, Board of Revenue, 22nd October 1875, No. 2,937.

Read the following letter from J. CAMERON, Esq., Acting President of the Local Fund Boards, Tanjore District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 6th October 1875, No. 744 :—

IN reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th August 1875, No. 2,413, I have the honor to report that the District Engineer states that he has made arrangements for the work being proceeded with to its full extent, as well for communication as for agricultural purposes, out of the agricultural grants at his disposal, in the hope that the contribution of Rupees 3,000 promised by the Local Fund Board would be paid.

2. The works proposed to be postponed during the current year, more especially to meet the deficiency as far as possible in the current year's allotment, are given below :—

	RS.
1. Widening the north bank of the Vennar, east of Road No. 4, to form it into a road (Board's Proceedings, dated the 17th May 1875, Miscellaneous No. 4,366)	3,900
2. Constructing a tunnel over the Caduveli and Poniyur Channel on the bandy-track from Road No. 2 to Woodiarpollum (Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd April 1875, Miscellaneous No. 3,342)	150
3. Constructing tunnels under Road No. 19 (G.O., dated 23rd June 1874, No. 1050)	2,000
Total	6,050

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3. It was out of this sum that the contribution of Rupees 3,000, above alluded to, was proposed to be paid during the current year. The District Engineer, however, says that the Local Fund contribution need not be paid at present, and that it would be sufficient if it were allotted in the Budget for 1876-77, but that the execution of one of the works above mentioned, viz., the formation of the road along the Vennar north bank, should not be delayed, although he expressed a contrary opinion some time ago. But the Local Fund Board of the Tanjore Circle having resolved (copy of their resolution enclosed) that these works should be postponed, pending the order of Government on their application for the transfer of Rupees 30,000 from General Fund to Road Fund, I am of opinion that the abovementioned work along Vennar north bank should be stopped, and have intimated the same to the District Engineer.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

As Government in their Order,* Financial Department, dated 25th September 1875, No. 1,895, have sanctioned the proposed transfer of Rupees 30,000 from the General Fund to the Road Fund of the Tanjore Circle, the Board are of opinion that the three works described in the foregoing letter should be carried out during the current official year.

2. An estimate for the formation of the road along the south bank of the Tirumalarajen River should be submitted for sanction in due course before the Local Fund contribution is allotted or paid.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

Read also :—

Letter from H. S. THOMAS, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Tanjore District, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vallam, 21st December 1875, No. 866.

I HAVE the honor to submit, for the sanction of the Board, plans and estimates, amounting to Rupees 5,900, for forming the road along the south bank of the Tirumalarajen River to connect No. 14 with No. 15 in the Tanjore Circle, called for in paragraph 2 of their Proceedings, dated 22nd October 1875, No. 2,937.

2. The necessity for the work having been explained in my letter, dated 13th August 1875, embodied in the Board's Proceedings, 25th idem, No. 2,413, it is not necessary to make further comment on the subject. The sum of Rupees 3,000 promised by the Local Fund Board as contribution payable by them towards the work has been provided in the Local Fund Budget for the year 1876-77.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 5.—Plans.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 6 and 7.—Estimates.

ENCLOSURE No. 8.—Specification.

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THE plans and estimates, amounting to Rupees 5,900, for forming the road along the south bank of the Tirumalarajen River to connect Road No. 15 with No. 14 are submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. It is observed that of Rupees 5,900, Rupees 3,000 is to be contributed from Local Funds, the remainder, Rupees 2,900, being met from Imperial Funds.

3. The necessity for the work and for charging the cost partly to Local and partly to Imperial Funds is explained in the President's letter recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 25th August 1875, No. 2,413.

4. The work appears as Item No. 1 in Part I. of the Budget of the Tanjore Circle for 1876-77.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

THE plans and estimates, amounting to Rupees 5,900, are sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. FAREWELL, Colonel,
*Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
for Chief Secretary.*

No. 115.

ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1876, No. 1,722.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 10.

COMMUNICATED to the District Engineer, Tanjore. It is to be noticed that the diversion of agricultural funds to road work was irregular, and should not be repeated without the special sanction of Government. District Engineers also are not permitted to make any appropriation of Imperial Funds to works to be carried out conjointly from those and Local Funds until after the estimates have been fully sanctioned, and an appropriation of the contribution from Local Funds duly made.

2. The sanction accorded in the above Proceedings in the Financial Department has been registered as Local No. 28-W. of 1876-77.

(True Extract.)

Colonel,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To District Engineers.
To the Financial Department.
„ Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 6 July/76

Read the following:—

Prv. in the Financial Dept. (H.E. No. 852 of 12th May/76)

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by 30/6
J.M.W.
The sanction accorded in
the above Pro: in the
Municipal Deptt has been
registered as Local No 2811
of 1876-77

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St. George 131
Fuller 7
Ex. R. W. A. 5
C. E. for J. S.
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on No. 3716 of 1876

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OF MADRAS. }

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P.W.
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SECRETARY.

Fort St. George, July 8 1876.

OFFICE NOTE.

To

Please state whether
the work sanctioned
in accompanying
order is to be Repetitive
as an Origination or
a Local Fund work

W. H. B. S.
D. J.

The estimate has been
sanctioned by Chief Secy - I
therefore conclude the work must
be considered 'Local'.

L. J.
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Sanctioned

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Govt. of 1876 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

District Engineer.

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G. O., 1st July 1876. No. 1722

Nos. 114-115

Formation of a road along the
South bank of Perumalajar
River to connect Masab
No 15 with No 14 - Sample
No - Pro in the Civil Dept
sanctioning plans & costs
amounting to Rs 5909 for the
— Contd to the D-Eng-
with certain remarks.

But no file
28-7-76