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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th August 1876. No. 2,074.*

No. 246. Read the following endorsement of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Ootacamund, 25th July 1876, No. 129-W. :—

From Major J. BEATTY, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 19th May 1876, No. 442.

With reference to G.O., No. 1,485, of 28th May 1875, regarding the new rules and bye-laws for the navigation of the canals of this district, I have the honor to report that I consider the navigation in the past year to have worked fairly.

1 Statement.
3 Charts.

2. Passenger boats are kept in tolerable repair and show lights.

3. None of the boat-owners have taken out first-class licenses for passenger boats, by doing which they would be at liberty to determine the caste, &c., of passengers their boats should carry; all Rahadari boat-owners prefer taking out only second-class licenses.

4. No instances of refusal to accommodate low castes have come under notice, though such doubtless often occur; but the bye-laws have otherwise answered well.

5. I herewith send a statement showing the effect of reducing the license fees on passenger boats; from which it will be seen that the difference in the total sum collected for licenses on these boats according to the old and revised rules amounted to Rupees 1,593-12-9.

6. I also send herewith extracts from the register of boats suspended for breach of bye-laws, and showing the punishments inflicted in the three deltas.

7. Full information regarding the cost of maintaining the navigation was given in my letter, No. 109, of the 17th April 1876, to the address of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, and I therein recommended that the license fees on cargo boats should be raised from 1 to 3 Rupees.

Statement showing the effect of reducing the License Rates for Passenger Boats on the Receipts in the Godavery District for the Year 1875.

Year.	FEES ACTUALLY COLLECTED BY LICENSING AT THE REDUCED RATE OF 3 ANNAS PER SQUARE FOOT.			FEES AS PROPOSED AT THE OLD RATE OF 4 ANNAS PER SQUARE FOOT.			DIFFERENCE OR REDUCTION.			Remarks.
	Number.		Amount.	Number.		Amount.	Number.		Amount.	
	Boats.	Passengers.		Boats.	Passengers.		Boats.	Passengers.		
1875	24	1,504	RS. A. P. 1,410 3 6	24	1,504	RS. A. P. 1,880 3 6	...	...	470 0 0	None of the boats have taken 1st-class licenses and hence the reduction of fees.
1875	20	1,276	1,146 1 6	20	1,276	1,523 1 6	...	...	382 0 0	do. do. do.
1875	27	2,422	2,225 6 3	27	2,422	2,967 3 0	...	...	741 12 9	* 20 Passengers' boats were licensed for the full year for carrying 2,326 Passengers for... 2,190 3 3 1 Boat was licensed for only half year for carrying 96 passengers for ... 45 3 0
									Total ..	2,225 6 3
										None of the boats have taken 1st-class licenses in 1875.

(Signed) J. BEATTY, Major, R.E.,
District Engineer, Godavery.

DOWLAISHYRAM,
19th May 1876.

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SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

The District Engineer reports that the navigation bye-laws have worked well during 1875.

2. The alteration in the rates for passenger-boat licenses occasioned a loss of Rupees 1,594, no first-class licenses having been taken out.

3. The registers of offences against the bye-laws and of punishments show that punishments were inflicted in the—

Number of Boats licensed in 1875.			
Cargo Boats	...	...	1,256
Passenger Boats	...	...	73

Eastern Delta	in 25 cases.
Central do.	1 case.
Western do.	8 cases.

Breaches of Bye-law No. 1, which prohibits mooring on the tow-path side except when loading and unloading, is the most common offence, and the punishment is ordinarily seven to ten days' suspension of license. The one case in the Central Delta was a breach of this bye-law, and the punishment then inflicted was a suspension of license for two months; if this offence had not been frequently committed by the same boat so that the punishment was too heavy, and if it was a third or fourth offence the fact should have been recorded. In the Eastern Delta, Boat No. 380 suffered suspension of license for ten days on 25th July, and for fifteen days on 16th December, for breach of this bye-law.

4. Again, in the Eastern Delta, Transit Boat No. 92 had the license suspended for ten days for breach of Bye-laws Nos. 1, 8 and 10. In the Western Delta, Cargo Boat No. 103 had the license cancelled for breach of Bye-law No. 8, which prescribes this penalty for not having the license on board and producing it when called upon.

5. It appears to be desirable that the District Engineer should draw up a scale of punishments under Bye-law 12 for the guidance of the Range Officers, so that equal punishments may be inflicted in the three ranges for similar offences, and that they may be proportioned to the importance of the bye-law infringed.

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Nos. 247 & 248. ORDER THEREON, 11th August 1876, No. 2,074.

IRRIGATION, No. 24.

RECORDED. The District Engineer's attention will be drawn to the suggestion made in paragraph 5 of the foregoing endorsement, and it should be acted upon.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, Godavery.
" " Kistna.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. W. H. French.

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N^o 129-W.

Godavery District Engineer's D^o 442.
19th May 1876.

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Submitted for the information
of Government.

The District Engineer reports
that the navigation bye laws have
worked well during 1875.

2. The alteration in the rates
for Passenger boat licenses occasioned
a loss of Rupees 15 9/4, 200 1st class
licenses having been taken out.

3. The Registers of offences
against the bye laws and of punish-
ments ~~inflicted~~ show that punish-
ments were inflicted in the Eastern

Number of boats
licensed in 1875.
Cargo boats - 1256
Passenger - do - 73

Delta - in 25 cases.

Central Delta - 1 - do -

Western - do - 8 - do -

Breaches of bye law No. 1, which pro-
hibits mooring on the two path
side except when loading and un-
loading, is the most common

offence and the punishment is ordinarily 7 to 10 days' suspension of licence. The one case in the Central Delta was a breach of this byelaw, and the punishment then inflicted was a suspension of licence for 2 months; if this offence had not been frequently committed by the same boat, perhaps the punishment was too heavy, and if it was a 3rd or 4th offence the fact should have been recorded.

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Wm. L. St. Colville
Chief Engineer for
Irrigation

Rotterdam
25th July 1873

P.W.D.

14/10/76

From

No.

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The Chief Engineer for Irrigation

The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

Dated 25 July 1876.

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No 123 W.

Navigation of the Godavari Delta
Canals—Submits, with remarks,
the D.E.'s report on the — for
1875.

No 246

No 2074

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 11 Aug 76

Read the following:—

From the D.E. Godavari (P.E. No 4427) 19 May 76.
Endorsement by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation
P.W.D. No 123 W of 25 July 76.

Recorded. The District
Engineer's attention will
be drawn to the sug-
gestion made in para
5 of the foregoing
endorsement, and it
should be acted upon.

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W.D.

No 2074

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GOVT. OF INDIA
PUBLIC WORKS.

The K. G. Godavari

11th August 1879

Navigation of the Godavari
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ment of the Chief Supt. for
ships submitting the re-
port of the S2 Supt. on
the — for the year 1878-
recording with remarks.

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21.8.79