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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
2nd February 1877. No. 344.*

No. 61. Read the following docket of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Railway,) dated Fort William, 23rd January 1877, No. 161 R :—

COPY of the following forwarded to the Government of Madras in the Public Works Department, (Railway,) for information, in continuation of Public Works Department, No. 2,417 R, dated the 15th September 1876.

By order,
(Signed) J. G. STEEL, Major, R.E.,
Officiating Under Secretary.

From the Secretary of State for India, to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 30th November 1876, No. 128 R.

I HAVE had under consideration in Council your Excellency's letter, No. 158 of 30th August last, on the subject of the conversion from the 3' 6" gauge to the metre gauge of the Arcunum-Conjevaram Branch of the South Indian Railway, and of the extension of the branch to Chingleput, a distance of 21 miles.

2. On the question of conversion my views have been already communicated to you, and have, as I am informed in the last paragraph of the letter under reply, been acted upon by your ordering the work to be undertaken at once at an estimated expense of Rupees 2,80,838, whereof only Rupees 1,06,911 is to be charged to Capital, the balance of Rupees 1,73,927 being left to be defrayed by Revenue, which but for the conversion would have been subjected to an expenditure of the same amount for repairs.

3. As to the proposed construction of the new portion of railway between Conjevaram and Chingleput, estimated to cost Rupees 9,81,785, I have, after careful consideration of the question, come to the conclusion that the project cannot be entertained at the present time, and that no useful purpose would be now served by any further discussion of its intrinsic merits.

No. 62. ORDER THEREON, 2nd February 1877, No. 344.

RAILWAY, No. 2-A.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways in continuation of G.O., No. 2,634, dated 30th September

1876. Also to the Revenue Department for information.

(True Extract.)

Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
.. Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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All communications
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway

Fort William 23 January 1877

Copy of the following forwarded to the
Government of Madras in the Public
Works Department, Railway for in-
formation, in continuation of P.W. Dept.
No. 247 R dated the 15th September 1876.

By Order

James Macdonald M.A. R.E.
Offg. Under Secretary

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No. 108 R. 8/30th November 1876

From The Secy of State for India
To The Secy of India P.W. Dept.

I have had under consideration
no Council your Excellency's letter
No. 108 of 30th August last on the subject
of the conversion from the 3' 6" gauge
to the metre gauge of the Arcot
Cujeram branch of the South
Indian Railway, and of the extension
of the branch to Chingleput.

distance of 21 miles.

2. On the question of conversion my views have been already communicated to you, and have, as I am informed, in the last paragraph of the letter under reply, been acted upon by your ordering the work to be undertaken at once, at an estimated expense of Rs. 2,80,838, whereof only Rs. 1,06,911 is to be charged to Capital, the balance of Rs. 1,73,927 being left to be defrayed by Revenue, which, but for the conversion, would have been subjected to an expenditure of the same amount for repairs.

As to the proposed construction of the new portion of Railway between Coimbatore and Chingleput, estimated to cost 7,81,785 Rupees, I have, after careful consideration of the question, come to the conclusion that the project cannot be entertained at the present time, and that no useful purpose would be now served by any further discussion of its intrinsic merits.

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to Govt of India

Dated 23rd January 1877

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Public Works Department.

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Read the following:—

From the Govt of India (R.S. No 161 R of 23rd Jan 77)

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Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways in continuation of No 2634 dated 30th Sept 1876. Also to the Revenue Department for information.

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Mr. C. C. Eng. for Mr.

2nd Feb. 1877

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