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Read the following paper :—

No. 121. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department,
dated 13th August 1877, No. 2,037.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th July 1877, No. 3,518.

Read the following letter from P. PUNDARIKAKSHUDU, Acting Salt Deputy
Collector, to W. S. FOSTER, Esq., Collector of the Godavery District, dated
Linganaboyanacherla, 23rd June 1877, No. 61 :—

I HAVE the honor to report on salt roads during the past official year 1876-77.

2. As you are aware there are no roads in this district which are intended only
for salt traffic, which is generally carried on by boats plying on the anicut canals
which extend almost in every direction. Salt is carried into the interior in some
cases, however, by bandies going on the Kottipalli and other roads which are main-
tained in generally good order at the expense of the Local Fund Boards.

3. There are a few roads in the Penuguduru salt station as reported last year ;
their length is about five miles. The breadth of roads going to platforms is generally
3 yards and their height three-fourths of a yard. These roads are used by bandies coming
for purchasing salt. The roads from the platforms to the salt creek are generally only 2
yards broad and $1\frac{1}{2}$ or 2 feet high. On these roads salt is carried to the boats in the
creek. The roads in existence provide communication to all the platforms and may
be said to be sufficient in number. Of all the roads, only one going from the
Kottipalli road to the Vayichenu platform, about three-fourths of a mile in length, is
gravelled, all the others being made only of earth. The latter are consequently very
muddy in winter and are sometimes impassable.

On each occasion of rain falling the roads are much damaged, the ends being
washed away by the rush of water. It would be well to widen them a little, gravel
them and turf their sides. Rupees 4,000 were provided during the year for gravelling
them, besides a Rupees 1,000 for turfing them, &c., but the former allotment had to
be surrendered on account of the financial pressure.

If funds are not available for gravelling, I would propose widening the roads and
turfing their sides for the present, and even this may be made gradually. The gravelled
road also requires repair.

4. At Lingnanaboyanacherla Salt Station there are no roads and none are
required, the soil being sandy. There is a road to Nursapur, which has only lately
been made; its length is 2,400 yards.

W. S. FOSTER

5. The expenditure on the roads was as follows:—

Penugudur Road.

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1874-75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	175	0	0
1875-76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	489	8	8
1876-77	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	156	4	7

Road to Nursapur.

1875-76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,683	6	5
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FORWARDED to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, with reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated 16th June 1875, No. 1,645.

COCANADA,
10th July 1877.

(Signed) W. S. FOSTER,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub-Secy.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. B. GRIGG,
Actg. Under Secy. to Govt. in charge.

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To the District Engineer, Godavery.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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