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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

14th February 1878, No. 742 W.

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Buildings	{ New Works...	21,130	7,513	...	13,617	
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Grand Total		2,91,714	1,99,667	...	92,047	
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4. *Repairs.*—The only important work needing special mention is the completion of the dam across the old Bungaru Channel at Kesaveram to regulate the supply to the Chembrambaukum Tank, &c. This and other ordinary repairs executed to 300 tanks and 17 river-supply channels during the year cost Rupees 1,01,046; but in some cases works were left incomplete owing to the drought which prevented turfing.

5. The Agricultural Repairs Grant was supplemented this year from Famine Relief Funds, of which Rupees 31,716 were expended upon the formation of the embankments of the Naranaveram River, which was nearly completed under the supervision of Mr. Scott, Assistant Engineer, specially deputed to that duty.

6. *Communication—New Works.*—Excluding the outlay on Local Fund Works, Rupees 20,893 only have been spent on new works, such as making roads and approaches to the South Indian Railway stations at the Mount and Palaveram, opening the bar at Ennore, and clearing salt and boat channels, raising bunds at salt stations for the protection of pans from inundation, and excavating lie-byes on the Sadras Canal.

7. *Repairs.*—Of the Rupees 25,586 expended on this account, the ordinary and special repairs of the canals absorbed Rupees 24,475 for maintaining and deepening them, while the small balance was appropriated chiefly for the roads in Guindy Park. None of the other works are of sufficient importance to need special mention.

8. *Local Funds—New Works and Repairs.*—The progress of expenditure by Public Works Department in the execution of Local Fund Works of communication was satisfactory. Out of an allotment of Rupees 2,50,387 for new works and of Rupees 1,19,017 for repairs, Rupees 2,22,764 or 89 per cent. of the former and Rupees 1,17,704 or 99 per cent. of the latter were utilised during the year; but owing to the curtailment of Provincial grants, the allotments generally were altogether insufficient to meet the ordinary requirements of the district. The non-expenditure of the difference—which appertains mostly to the Chingleput Circle—was due to the Public Works Department not having fully utilised the grants on certain roads, and to the non-payment of the balance of Rupees 10,159 to the Contractors of the Surappen road, sanctioned in G.O., dated 3rd July 1876, No. 1,191, Financial Department. The apparent large outlay on Local Fund New Works this year, which exceeds that (Rupees 65,061) of the previous year by Rupees 1,57,703, is chiefly attributable to the payment for iron work supplied to the Cortelliar Bridge.

9. *Buildings—New Works.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 7,513, of which about seven-eighths were spent from Provincial Funds and the remainder from Salt Funds; from the former were undertaken the additions and improvements to the Taluq Cutcheries at Madarantakum and Ponneri, as well as the construction of Police stations and huts at Ennore and Balchetty Choultry, costing in the aggregate Rupees 4,680. The balance was laid out partly on Government House, Guindy, for water-supply, and partly on the Ecclesiastical buildings at the Mount and Poonamallee. Of the amount spent from Salt Funds, Rupees 614 were laid out in the construction of sentry huts in the northern and southern divisions, and the remainder in the excavation of a tank at Vallur for the use of salt manufacturers.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON.
Sub-Secretary.

No. 120.

ORDER THEREON, 14th February 1878, No. 742 W.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Chingleput.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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To

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
CHINGLEPUT.
&c., &c.

Dated February 14th.

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Public Works in Chingleput District.—Proceedings, Board of Revenue, submitting Collector's report of progress of — during 1876-77, recorded.

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To the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department,
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Copy to the Collector of the Chingleput District.
" " Accountant-General.

Ed. W. J. Lewis.

Rev. W. M. M. M.

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