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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

3rd September 1879, No. 2,267 W.

Buildings and Roads.  
Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 15. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th August 1879, No. 2,210.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON, 3rd September 1879, No. 2,267 W.

SANCTION is accorded to the estimate, amounting to Rupees 12,000, for remetal-  
ling the Tambercherry Ghaut as well as to the transfers of funds proposed.

2. It is observed that the estimate does not bear the countersignature of the  
President, Local Fund Board, which is necessary in regard to all estimates submitted  
for the sanction of Government.

3. This sanction has been registered as Local No. 27 B of 1879-80.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,  
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.  
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.  
" Board of Revenue

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To  
The SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,  
FOURTH CIRCLE

cc. cc.

Dated September 3rd.

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G. O., 3rd September 1879, No. 2,267 W.

SEPTEMBER

Nos. 15-16.

Timbercherry Ghaut, Malabar District.  
Sanctions estimate and the transfer of funds  
proposed for remodelling the same.

No. 2,210.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 4th August 1879.  
Read the following letter from E. N. OVERBURY, Esq., Sub-Collector, in charge of  
Malabar, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue,  
dated Calicut, 19th May 1879, No. 109:—

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith extracts from the Proceedings of the  
meeting of this Circle Board held on the 13th instant.

2. With reference to Resolution 2, I have to request that the Board of Revenue  
will communicate the same to Government for early orders.

3. Sanction of the Board of Revenue is required for the transfer of the repairs  
of the road alluded to in Resolution 3 to Other Agency.

4. Resolutions 4, 6, 7, and 8 refer to certain works, the estimates for which the  
Circle Board have sanctioned, but for which they have not been able to point out any  
source from which allotments could be made, as they are yet uncertain as to the  
state of funds at their disposal for the current year, the actual Road Fund deficit at  
the end of the year that has just closed not having been ascertained as yet.

5. Resolution 5 refers to an estimate for Rs. 12,000 for remodelling the Tamber-  
cherry Ghât, and I request that early orders may be passed on the subject. The  
correspondence relating to this, forwarded herewith, will, I trust, convince the Board  
of the importance of the work and the necessity for carrying it out without delay,  
and I therefore deem it unnecessary to make any further comments on the same.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Extract from the Minutes of Proceedings of the Local Fund Board, Calicut Circle, at a Meeting held  
on the 13th May 1879.

2. Read G.O., No. 229, dated 18th February 1879, reviewing the Local Fund Budget of  
the Calicut Circle for the official year 1879-80.

From paragraph 3 of the above order the Board observe that Government have withdrawn  
the Provincial grant for education recommended by the Local Board and the Board of Revenue,  
and have directed the Board to credit a sum of Rs. 3,760 from the Ferry Fund to the General  
Fund to make up for the loss in receipts caused thereby. The Board would respectfully request  
Government to reconsider the orders passed on the subject, and allow a Provincial grant for edu-  
cation as a special case for the current year as was done in the case of the Tellicherry Circle. In  
the order of Government reviewing the Budget of the Tellicherry Circle Government observe  
that no transfer from the Ferry Fund to the General Fund is admissible owing to the introduc-  
tion of the Canal and Ferry Act into Malabar, as the ferry receipts under this Act as well as  
Act IV of 1878 are to be applied exclusively for expenditure connected with the construction,  
repair, and upkeep of the communications of the district.

The attention of the Superintending Engineer, 4th Circle, is drawn to paragraph 5 of the  
Government Order, and the Board request that he will be good enough to submit his opinion on  
the points therein alluded to.

3. Read letter from the Executive Engineer, Calicut Division, No. 50, dated 17th April  
1879, recommending that the whole amount sanctioned for repairing the roads from Chevayur to  
Malaparamba and to Muppram be placed at the disposal of the Revenue Department.

The Board resolve, as recommended by the Executive Engineer, to sanction the transfer of  
the repair of this road to Other Agency (Revenue Department).

4. Read letters, Nos. 110-A and 626, dated 4th and 16th April 1879, respectively, from the  
Executive Engineer, Wynad Division, requesting sanction for an allotment of Rs. 1,500, being  
the amount estimated for repairs to Koonooth bridge in Wynad.

The Board observe that the estimate for this work was laid before their meeting held on the 11th March last, and an allotment for a portion of the amount estimated, viz., Rs. 600, was sanctioned to be spent before the close of the official year. The sanction of the Board of Revenue to this allotment, however, was received too late, and consequently no expenditure was incurred last year. The Executive Engineer now applies for a reallocation of this amount as well as for an allotment for the balance of the estimate; in other words for sanction of the Board for an allotment of the full amount of the estimate, viz., Rs. 1,497.

The Board resolve to sanction the estimate, but are unable to point out any source from which an allotment can be made, as the orders of the Board of Revenue are imperative that no allotment from the estimated Road Fund Reserve or Road Fund balance should be made till the correct deficit balance of the year that has just closed be ascertained after the final adjustment of accounts.

5. Read letter, No. 2,911-14, dated April 1879, from Superintending Engineer, forwarding letter from the Executive Engineer, Wynad Division, submitting an estimate for Rs. 12,000 for retaxing the Tambercherry Ghât Road.

Read also the President's Memorandum on the subject, and the Executive Engineer Colonel Kennedy's reply thereto.

The Board resolve to sanction the estimate, but they regret they are unable to allot any funds at present. In his reply to the President's memorandum, Colonel Kennedy proposes that if funds are allowed for retaxing the ghât he will be able to reduce the mileage rates for the eight miles of the ghât from Rs. 800 to Rs. 330. This will effect a saving of Rs. 3,760, which can be utilized for providing funds for the estimate of Rs. 12,000. The subject being fully discussed, the following resolution was proposed by Colonel Kennedy, seconded by Captain Bailey, and adopted by the meeting.

The Board resolve to forward the above correspondence and to request the Board to sanction the transfer of Rs. 3,760 made up from the savings of the maintenance allowance of the Tambercherry Ghât of Rs. 800 per mile, on the understanding that the Board will also sanction out of the Road Reserve Fund the sum of Rs. 4,000, which Colonel Kennedy affirms must be found this year in order to keep the ghât open, it being also understood that the balance of the estimate, viz., Rs. 4,240, be available next year.

6. Read letter from the Executive Engineer, Calicut Division, No. 76, dated 5th May 1879, requesting an allotment for the balance of the estimate, viz., Rs. 816, for repairs to the Kokaloo bridge.

The Board observe that there was an expenditure of Rs. 3,193-1-3 on this bridge up to the end of the last official year, and that it is nearly completed. The Executive Engineer, the Board learn, has ordered the necessary work to be carried out in anticipation of sanction of funds. The Board for the reasons stated in paragraph 4 are unable at present to sanction a formal allotment of funds for the work referred to.

7. Read letter from the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, No. 3, dated the 3rd instant, requesting to sanction an allotment of Rs. 210-5-10, being the amount due to Messrs. Cruddas and Co. of Bombay for materials supplied by him for construction of the junction road between Kalpathy and Panamaram.

The Board understand that the charge was incurred last year, and had it not been for the orders of the Board of Revenue restricting all expenditure by Public Works Department the amount would have been paid. The Board will only be able to allot funds for the purpose later on in the year.

8. Read letter from the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, forwarding for sanction and allotment of funds an estimate amounting to Rs. 430 for repairs to a bridge at foot of Tambercherry Ghât.

The Board resolve to sanction the estimate, and an allotment will be made later on in the year when the state of the funds at their disposal is more definitely ascertained.

(Signed) V. A. BRODIE,  
for President.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 2 to 9.—Estimate, &c.

With the foregoing letter, the President submits an extract from the Minutes of Proceedings of the Local Fund Board of the Calicut Circle noticing several points.

2. Resolution No. 2.—The Local Fund Board point out the illegality of crediting any portion of the Ferry Fund to the General Fund, and request Government to

reconsider their order withdrawing the Provincial grant for schools and to allow the usual amount for this year as a special case. The President is referred to paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd May 1879, No. 1,374, from which it will be seen that the Board have made certain proposals in lieu of the transfer from the Ferry Fund.

3. Resolution No. 3.—The transfer of the allotment of Rs. 762 from the Public Works Department to Other Agency for the road\* from Calicut *via* Chevayur to Muppram has been sanctioned in Board's Proceedings, dated 7th May 1879, Miscellaneous No. 4,141, and the object of a second application for the same transfer is not apparent.

4. Resolutions Nos. 4, 6, 7, and 8.—These resolutions do not seem to call for remark.

5. Resolution No. 5.—The estimate, amounting to Rs. 12,000, for retaxing the Tambercherry Ghât road will be submitted for the sanction of Government in the Public Works Department. On the suggestion of the Executive Engineer of the Division it is proposed to reduce the mileage rates for eight miles of the ghât from Rs. 800 to Rs. 330, and to allot the savings (Rs. 3,760) thus effected towards the retaxing. As this proposal involves transfer of funds from one major head to another, it is submitted for the sanction of Government. The proposed further allotment of Rs. 4,000 from the Road Reserve should be applied for in a separate communication after the accounts of 1878-79 are finally closed and the actual balances ascertained.

Vide Board's Proceedings, dated 21st February 1879, recorded in G.O., Financial Department, dated 13th March 1879, No. 479.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department,  
with nine enclosures to be returned.

" President, Local Fund Boards, Malabar District.  
Copy to the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.  
" to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. C. Howarth.

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