

All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary.

No. 178 M.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

~~GENERAL~~
Civil Works.
Miscellaneous.

To the Secy to the Govt. of Madras,
Public Works Departt.

Simla, 6th June 1881.

Sir,

Put up

Referring to the Resolution
of the Madras Government for-
warded with its docket A. 912 W,
dated the 4th April 1881, regarding
the question of converting the
Cochin Port into a first class
harbour, I am directed to
state that, in the opinion of the
Government of India, the imperial
interests involved in this under-
taking are not of sufficient
magnitude to justify an outlay,
which must inevitably be large,
and which may possibly amount

to 81 lakhs of rupees. -

2. - I am to invite however the attention of the Madras Government to the more important work of improving the harbour of Vizagapatam, in which Imperial interests are involved, in as much as this port would probably become the outlet, in the Madras Presidency, for the trade of the Central Provinces, in the event of the construction of a system of metre gauge railways, which is now, with reference to the proceedings of the Madras Government, received with your letter A. 150 R, dated 15th February 1881, under the consideration of the Government of India. -

3. - I am to suggest therefore that Mr Parkes, the Engineer for the Madras Harbour works, be asked for a report on this harbour

harbour, and its capabilities as a port, and that the report may be submitted for the orders of the Government of India, with the opinion of the Madras Government on it, at as early a date as possible. -

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Yours most obed^t. servant,

W. P. Jenkins Capt^r R. E.

Asst Secy to the Govt of India
S. J. W.

9.6. 22nd March 1880 no 749 W
 " 13. Augt/80 no 1939 W
 " 15. July/81 no 149 R 150 R
 " 4. April/81 no 912 W. ✓

P.R.C. N. 3515

Recd. 13 June.

Do so
 J.H.

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Cir 17/6
 1881/9.

R.S.

For order

The S of I in his announced
 letter decide not to
 look on Cochin as a
 Harbour calling for an
 Imperial Grant, but,
 Evidently influenced into
 a report by Col Thomas
 as to the value & capabilities
 of Vizagapatam, and
 probably not having seen
 the report on the Harbour
 contained in S.O. of 13th
 August 1880 no 1939 W
 (Circumstances) now call for
 a report by Mr. Parker.

This is now out of the
 question Mr. Parker left
 the country

I should not wish that
 any unsupplemented opinion
 regarding Vizagapatam
 should be considered as
 conclusive, and I would
 therefore be glad if the
 S of I letter were sent to

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Enclosed attendant
in an impression of
Spinnin

In Jy I am evidently
not aware that Pindipatan
which is the proposed ter-
minus of the railway
spoken of now does far
more business than
Vizag^m is any other port
on that coast part of the
E. Coast — and not only so
but has in a reef of rock
to the south (in which it
resembles Calicutapatam)
a protection during the S.W.
monsoon which makes it
the best open roadstead
in those parts — Nothing
in fact is wanted

If Capt. Taylor's opinion
were asked in reference to
this point I think it will
be corroborative

Att

17.6.81

From
order B

N^o 1603 W P. W. Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 28th June/81

Read the following

From the Govt of India (S.L. No. 148 M. of 6 June/81)

Order dated 28 June 83, No 1603 W.P.

Communicated,
with reference to S.O.
19398, dated 13 August
1880, to the Master
Attendant, Madras,
for an expression of
his opinion as to the
capability of the Port
of Vizagapatam of
improvement so as
to become the outlet
for the trade of the
Central Provinces,
as contemplated

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R.S.

15/3/12

15/12/00

5-6-03

28-12-04

7-7-06

R. W. Dyer

26-7-2011

the Government of India.

2. Captain Taylor

will at the same

time state his views

of the merits of the Port

of Bimlipatam as a

suitable anchorage

and port for the

terminus on the coast

of the proposed

system of metro gauge

Railways.

B. 1603N 28-June-89

~~Att~~

21/6/91

Master Attendant

Madras

thru the Marine Dept

Secy

28-6-89

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