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14TH NOVEMBER 1883, No. 3229 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following paper :—

Petition from SETU KARUPPAN, CHINNATAMBI and others, dated 3rd November 1883.

ABSTRACT.—Bring to notice that the cutting of the proposed ship-canal through Ramesvaram will divide the island into two portions, and that the influx of sea-water will cause danger to life and property, contaminate the water-supply, and ruin the pasturage, besides rendering the transit of goods and passengers across the island difficult. Suggest that the excavation be made at one end of the island, either on the east or west side.

ORDER—dated 14th November 1883, No. 3229 W., Public Works.

The petitioners will be informed that, if the proposal to cut a canal through the island of Ramesvaram is ever given effect to, the circumstances brought to notice in their petition will receive consideration.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Petitioners.

" Marine Department.
" Revenue Department.
" Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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NOVEMBER.

Passing orders on a petition regarding the results that will be produced if the proposed ship-canal across the canal zone.

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ABSTRACT.

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Bring to notice, that it is a well known fact that the meowagan is a small island; that there is on the soil so sandy & not fit for cultivation, the here & there with great labour & considerable outlay, dry crops are sometimes sown, but that the harvest, which they yield, have not been encouraging; that the inhabitants take out a livelihood by labour, as coolies in carrying the luggage of pilgrims, who visit the place in large numbers; that the folks learn that a canal will be dug out near Shengalchi station throughout the island; that such a thing will divide the island into smaller islands endangering the lives of the inhabitants on stormy days; that the excavation of the canal will undermine the foundations of nearly 500 buildings & bring them down; rendering the residents at Shengalchi station homeless; that the deepening of the Panaji canal has made the current in it to flow more rapidly, & the consequence of it has been that the fresh water on the western end of the island, in wells &c, has become salted;

that

that the excavation of the canal, now contemplated will make the ^{fresh water} ~~water~~ of the whole island brackish, & unfit for drink; that the island being divided, the transit of goods & the luggage of travellers will become difficult; that the ponies, & cattle will not then obtain sufficient pasturage, & will, therefore, diminish gradually; that if the canal be excavated at one end of the island either on the East or on West of it, all these inconveniences may be avoided by

Pray, therefore, that the benevolent Govt may take the matter into their deep consideration, and avert the evils complained of.

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PETITION DEPARTMENT.

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From Setu Karuppan,
Chinnatambi and
others

Occupation inhabitants of
Village Pamban, Thangach
Taluk Pamban
District Madras

Dated 2nd } November 1883
Received 8th }
Enclosures

Submitted to Government
SUBJECT.

28-5-81 to 1361 W
6-10-81 2456 W
23-11-81 2926 W
19-12-81 2726 W
27-1-82 2836 W-2837 W
4-11-82 2883 W
13-11-82 2987 93 W
6-12-82 3210 W
28-12-82 3429 30 W
5-1-83 4-5 W
7-2-83 459-40 41 W
7-3-83 742 W
14-11-83 - 3229 W

C. 10/11/83 Date 12/11/83

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Read the following: -

Petition from Setu Karuppan, Chinnatambi and others
dated 3rd November 1883.

FOR ORDERS.

Circulated for orders
as to the nature of the reply
which should be returned
to the Petitioners

The petitioners will
be informed that if the
proposal to cut a canal
through the island of
Rameswaram in the
given effect to the circum-
stances brought to notice in
their petition will receive
consideration

The latest information
as to the progress of negotia-
tions in connection with the
Ship Channel is contained
in the undermentioned
Proceedings.

G.O. 440-1 W of 9th Febry 1883
G.O. 742 W of 7th March 1883

The Madras Govern-
ment have given a conditional
assent to the Project

10-11-83.
Secy to Govt. P. W. D.

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From original
No 3229 W.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 11th Nov 1883

READ the following

Petition from Seta Karuppan, Chinnatambi and
others dated 3rd November 1883

Abstract

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canal through Rameswaram will divide the Island
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The Petitioners
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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Date

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G. O. 14 Nov. 1883, No. 3229.14

Nos.

Rameswaram Island

Passing orders as a
petition regarding the
appeal results that
will be produced if
the proposed ship
canal across
be sanctioned

10/11/77

Secretary