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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

8-2-13.

in Council does not consider it necessary to call for further reports.

5. I am to add, with special reference to your letter of the 30th October, that no report on this subject by Col. Thomason has been received by this Government.

I have &c.

(Sd) H. E. Stokes

Sec. to Govt.

8/2/13

No. 59 Way 10-1-84

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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

No 128.

Chamber of Commerce,
Cochin, October 25th 1883.

From,

The Honorary Secretary
Chamber of Commerce
Cochin

To.

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Ootacamund

Sir,

Referring to the correspondence which has from time to time taken place relating to proposals for the improvement of the Cochin Harbour, I beg to make special reference to the letter from this Chamber dated 17th March 1881, No 88. and the Government order thereon 4th April 1881, No 911 W. wherein it is stated that

"It is for the Government of India to decide whether
"the construction of a first class harbour at this
"port is of sufficient importance from an Imperial
"point of view to justify its construction without
"reference to financial results, and the papers will
"therefore be forwarded to that Government for
"consideration"

The resolutions communicated to the Chamber with G.O 1899 dt 2-8-81.

and to ask whether any reply has been received from the Government of India to these papers, and if so to what effect.

2. As you are probably aware H. M. S "Investigator" Commander L. S. Dawson R. N. is now here engaged in surveying the port and as it is probably this work may occupy some weeks, I am directed by the Chamber to request that you would be pleased to call upon the Commander for a report and

opinion

opinion as to the feasibility of converting Coahin into a first class harbour.

3. It appears to the Chamber that the present opportunity of having an experienced officer on the spot is one that should not be lost and if it is not within the power of your Government to issue the necessary orders, I have the honor to beg that this request may be telegraphed to the proper authorities and the required instructions sent to Commander Dawson.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.

William R. Black

Honorary Secretary

Gt. 912 Wdy/4.4.81.
" 299 Wdy/3.2.82.
" 300 Wdy/3.2.82.
"2192 Wdy/9.8.83.
" 1599/1900 Wdy/8.8.83.
" 1603 Wdy/x 6.8.83.

vide Cell 9630

Dft. Ltr. No. 31-10-83.

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Dft. C.S. 33/10 Circ. 19/11 R.

No. 59 Wdy 10-1-84

Dft. Ltr. No. 9506

See C.P. 9630.

I should like to know the cause of the long delay in despatching this letter to the Cochin Chamber of Commerce.

The draft seems to have come back from Circ. on 29/11.

W.
7.1.84

Please see despatchers explanation put up.

BP
7/1/84

The collection of printed papers for the Cochin C. of C. to be reprinted as personally directed.

L.S.
8-1-84.

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Dft. Ltr. No. 1-1-84

Dft. C.S. 1/84

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for the order

Department.

Chamber of Commerce
Cochin. Octr 20. 1883.

Honorary Secretary.
Chamber of Commerce.
Cochin.

Secretary to Government
in the Public Works Department.
Madras.

Continuation of this
office letter No. 128. dated
the 1883, I have the honor
to say you will be good
to favor the Chamber
copy of the Report made
by Colonel Thomason. R.E. in
the 1878 relating to proposed
improvement of the Cochin

The proceedings of the
Government of Madras. dated
December 1880. No. 29 Pub. Wks.
mentioned that the Govern-
ment of India had been requested
to

inquiry made on the report,
as to whether the construction
of a first class harbour at

Gt. Qu. 4a/4.4.81.)

Ch 03506
Ch. Corr. 1930
19/11

Please have reply drafted to go to Cochin Ch: of Com: pointing out that the reply from India has already been communicated to them on . . . . .

Para 1 of the letter from India W. 176 M of 6.6.81 might be again quoted for information of Chamber

The Chamber should also be informed, in reply to their second letter, that no report by Col: Thomason has been received by this Govt. — which I understand to be the case.

I think it would be useful to have the Proc. of 2-8-81. W. 1899 Ind. printed — together with the MS. papers read.

DLS.
17-11-83

Will be attended to N.S.F. 19.11.83.

Gt Garwal 4.4.81.

Ja W

9506
9650

No 125 d/25 Octr 83
from Chamber of
Commerce Cochin

The Govt have already
received reports from
those most qualified
to judge - and the
question seems to
resolve itself into one
of cost. The answer
of the Govt of India
to Madras No: 912 W.
d/4 April 81 has
apparently been
communicated to
the Chamber. Vide
No: 1899 W d/2 Aug: 83
The paper is a Hyd one

K.S.
29.10.83.

Better get papers ready at
Madras for disposal.

S.A.W
R. Aug. 10.83

Ja W 29.10.83

C A W

If the Govt has
not received a
copy of Lt Col
Clarke's minute on
Indian Harbours
July 1879 (more
alluded to by Col
Thomason) India
might be wired
to at once for a
copy — as also for
any of Col Thomason's
Reports & plans for
Harbours in this Presidency

Telegram despd
7/1/81.

6/1/81

9506

G.O. (Irrig) 4.4.81.)

No. 120. Chamber of Commerce
Cochin. Oct 25. 1882.

From
The Honorary Secretary,
Chamber of Commerce,
Cochin.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Madras.

Sir,

In continuation of this Chamber's letter No. 128. dated 25th October 1882, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to favor the Chamber with a copy of the Report made by Colonel Thomason. R.E. in November 1878 relating to proposals for the improvement of the Cochin Harbour.

2. In the proceedings of the Government of Madras, dated 27th December 1880. No. 2942. it is mentioned that the Government of India had been requested to

† Re 9506

† No Report was ever recd. vide Comm: Jagdis letter No 43 dy 27 Dec. 80 — with the signed G.O. Irrig dy 4 April 81.

Govt. Gen. Wdy/4.4.81.
" 299 Wdy/3.2.82.

No. 2943 Wdy/29.12.80. ✓
" 2944 Wdy/29.12.80. ✓
" 222 Wdy/26.1.81. ✓
" 678 Wdy/14.3.81. ✓
" 299 Wdy/3.2.82. ✓
" 300 Wdy/3.2.82. ✓
" 911.12 Wdy/4.4.81. ✓
" 1899-1900 Wdy/2.8.81. ✓

M. Cir. 9630

Rec'd 2/11/83

No. 59 Way 10-1-84

Cirr. 19/11. R 29/11

O.L.S. 38/10 Cirr. 19/11 R

Govt. No. 128 dy/25th October 1883.
" 130 dy/30th " "

Spo: of Govt. No. 1899 Wdy/2nd Augt. 1881.

The Cochin people talked to me of sending up some one else. May have need done so. This answer will do for the present. Ste for them to make any further purposes.

Public Works Department.

No. 59 Wdy/10th January/84.

To,

The Honorary Secretary,
Chamber of Commerce.
Cochin.

Dated, Madras, 10th January 1884.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters quoted in the margin, and, in reply, to forward for the information of the Chamber a printed collection of recorded papers, among which will be found the reply from the Government of India (No. 175 M dated 6th June 1881) to the inquiry made on 4th April 1881, as to whether the construction of a first class harbour at

Cochin is of sufficient importance from an Imperial point of view to justify its construction without reference to financial results. It will be observed that the Govt of India stated their opinion that the Imperial interests involved in the undertaking are not of sufficient magnitude to justify an outlay which must inevitably be large, and which may possibly amount to eighty one lakhs of rupees.

2. This opinion of the Govt of India was, I am to point out, duly communicated to the Cochin Chamber of Commerce on the 2d of Augt 1881 with Spo: No 1899 W.

× Spo: of Govt No 911 W. 15th April 1881.

3. As already stated, the Government are not prepared to spend, from Provincial funds, the large sum requisite to effect any permanent improvement to the harbour of Cochin, while the trade of the port, even allowing for probable Expansion, is quite inadequate to meet the interest on the outlay.

4. Under these circumstances, and seeing that the Government are already in possession of the results of investigations made by officers well qualified to form an opinion as to the measures requisite for forming a first class harbour at Cochin, His Excellency the Governor

8-2-83.

in Council does not consider it necessary to call for further reports.

5. I am to add, with special reference to your letter of the 30th October, that no report on this subject by Col. Thomason has been received by this Government.

No. 59 Way 10-1-84

No. 60 Wdf January 10th 1884.

The indent is approved and forwarded to the Chief Supt of Telegraphs, Madras Dr.

C.S. 8.1.84

8.1.84.

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Entered in the Receipt Register

From

The Superintending Engineer

First Circle

To

The Chief Engineer

P. W. Department

Madras

Dated 30th December/83

Despd. 1st January/84

Received No. 60 Wdf January 10th 1884

Enclosures One

No. 400 G.S.

Appendix III of Code of instructions Lightning Conductors. Articles named in —— Submits an indent for ——

With order

Do,

The Ch Supt of Telegraphs Madras Dr with indent & copy of Sg No 3159 dt 1/3

" SE 1st Circle

& cw 10/1/84

8-2-83.

in Council does not consider it necessary to call for further reports.

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19-11-83.

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No. 59 Way 10-1-84

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29-11-83.

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Enclosure 1

No. 400 G Z

FROM,

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
FIRST CIRCLE.

TO,

THE CHIEF ENGINEER P.W. Department
FOR IRRIGATION.

DOWLAISHWERAM, 30th December 1883.

Despd. 1st January/84

SIR,

With reference to G.O No. 1387, 12-11-83, I have the honor to enclose an indent for the articles named in Appendix III of Code of Instruction Lightning Conductors - & to request that if it meets with your approval you will forward it with your countersignature to the Telegraph Department.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Sr.

C. Stuart

Offg. Supr. Engr. 1st Circle.

JK

From

The Superintending Engineer

First Circle

To

The Chief Engineer

P. W. Department

Madras

Dated 30th December/83

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17C 17.1.84

& cw 10/1/84

To,
The Ch Supt of Telegraphs
Madras Dr with indent
& copy of PG No 3187 dt 1/3
SE 1st Cavalcade

Entered in Dept