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From
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To The Chief Engineer
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Madras

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Buckingham Canal On
Office - Informs that a building
has been procured for Pulicat
for the accommodation of -
and requests to obtain sanction
of Govt for disbursement of the
rent at Rs 40 per mensem

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30TH MARCH 1885, No. 766 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following papers :—

From J. W. RUNDALL, Esq., Superintending Engineer, II Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Masulipatam, 4th March 1885, No. 46-B.C.

I have the honor, with reference to G.O., No. 355 W., of the 14th February 1885, to report that I have arranged with the Executive Engineer, Buckingham Canal, that the charges of the canal shall be sub-divided as follows :—

Limits of each Sub-division and Head-quarters.	Length of each Sub-division.	Name of new Sub-division.	Name of the Officer in charge of the Sub-division.	Remarks, &c., showing the Overseers required for each Sub-division.
196th mile to 139th mile, Ramapatam.	57	Northern.	Mr. F. J. Wilson, Assistant Engineer.	Two temporary Overseers should do duty in this sub-division. These men will be made imprest-holders. A writer for each of them has been applied for in the temporary establishment for 1885-86.
139th mile to 79th mile, Iskápalle.	60	Iskápalle.	Mr. H. M. Bond, Sub-Engineer.	Overseer Mr. Noronho will assist the sub-division officer.
79th mile to 11th mile, Pulicat.	68	Pulicat.	Under direct charge of the Executive Engineer.	Mr. R. Enright, Supervisor, will be an imprest-holder under the Executive Engineer in this sub-division.
11th mile to the end of Southern Canal, Madras.	77	Southern.	Conductor J. A. Power, Sub-Engineer.	An Overseer has been applied for and when supplied will have his head-quarters at Sadras.

2. I request you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government to this arrangement and to its introduction from the 1st April.

3. There is another point in connection with the Buckingham Canal, regarding which, I think, further consideration is required, viz., the position of the head-quarters.

4. In G.O., No. 2765 W., of the 6th November last, Nellore was fixed as the head-quarters from the 1st January 1885, and the office has accordingly been moved there; but the Executive Engineer informs me that he is unable to get a bungalow there. When I was last at Nellore, I know that every available bungalow was rented.

5. I am not aware of the reasons upon a consideration of which Nellore was fixed on as suitable for the head-quarters, but it has many disadvantages.

6. It is fourteen miles from the nearest point on the canal (Máipad), and every journey into Nellore and back is so much time lost by the Executive Engineer. It would for this reason be much better to have the head-quarters on the canal, if it can be arranged.

7. Two places appear suitable—Kistnapatam and Pulicat. At the former place, accommodation for the Executive Engineer and for the office would have to be built. I am informed that a good site west of the canal can be obtained. The money allotted

for a rest-house at Kistnapatam might be spent on an office, but a bungalow at a cost of not less than Rs. 10,000 would have to be built for the Executive Engineer. Kistnapatam is 103 miles from the northern and 159 miles from the southern end of the canal. There is a Post Office at Muthukur, about 2 miles off, and the office establishment would be able to get accommodation in the villages of Kistnapatam and Muthukur, both of which are within 2 miles of the site where office and bungalow could be built.

8. Major Brockman considers that the office should be at Pulicat, where a suitable building could be rented cheaply and the clerks find accommodation for themselves and families. The Executive Engineer could live at Coromandel, where a good bungalow could be rented. The distance between Coromandel and Pulicat is $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles. There is a ferry between, but the Executive Engineer could go over to office in his boat. Coromandel is 27 miles from Madras, and the distances would be 93 and 169, respectively, from the southern and northern ends of the canal, but it will almost be equi-distant from the ends of those sub-divisions of which subordinates will be in charge.

9. On the whole, therefore, I am inclined to think Pulicat will be the best place for the head-quarters.

10. There is no telegraph office either at Kistnapatam or Pulicat, but this is an objection which applies to every place on the canal, with the exception of Madras.

No. 40 E.W.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

In G.O., No. 355 W., dated 14th February 1885, the formation of four sub-divisions for the Buckingham Canal was approved. The Superintending Engineer now reports the limits of the sub-divisions and the names of the officers who are to be in charge. The arrangements are approved.

2. The proposal to fix the head-quarters of the canal at Pulicat from the 1st April 1885 is also, under the circumstances represented, approved.

CHEPÁK, (Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel, R.E.,
25th March 1885. Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

To the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

ORDER—dated 30th March 1885, No. 766 W., Public Works.

The proposals of the Superintending Engineer, recommended by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, are sanctioned.

2. It is understood that Nellore was fixed as the division head-quarters on Major Drake-Brockman's recommendation.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, II Circle.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

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MARCH.

Arrangements of the limits of the subdivisions of the — and the officers placed in charge, and proposal to fix Pulicat as the head-quarters, approved.

THE

Chepauk, 9th January 1885.

SIR,

With reference to G. O. No. 2765⁴ dated the 6th November 1884, I have the honor to request, that sanction may be given under Code para 996, to the payment of Rs. 40 per mensem, as the rent of the building at Kellose, engaged for the accommodation of the Executive Engineer's Office of the Buckingham Canal Division.

I have the honor to be
 Sir
 Yours Most Obedt Servt
 Lewis Brenderabast Coll R. E.
 Superintendent Engle
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From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

5TH CIRCLE,

To

THE Chief Engineer
P.W. Dept.

Dated
Recd.

9th January 1885.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 3781

Buckingham Canal Division
Office at Nellore - Requests
that sanction may be given
for the payment of rent of
the building engaged for the -

with order

No 92 B.C.

Superintending Engineer's Office,
2nd Circle, Masulipatam.
11th May 1885.

From

The Superintending Engineer,
2nd Circle.

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The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department.
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to L.O. No 766w.
of the 30th March last, transferring
the Head Quarters of the Buckingham
Canal Division from Nellore to Pulicat,
I have the honor to inform you, that a
suitable building has been procured at
the latter place for the accommodation
of the Executive Engineer's office at a
monthly rental of Rs 40, and it was occupied
on the forenoon of the 2nd instant. I
request therefore, you will be good enough
to obtain the sanction of Government for
the disbursement of the rent at the
above rate from the specified date.

with order

The rent for the office building
occupied in Bellone was just the same
as the above, and was sanctioned in L. O.
No 105 W. of the 13th January 1885.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant.

L. W. Pringle

Superintendent Engineer,
2nd Circle.

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Pringle