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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 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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.)

Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Irrigation Branch.

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

Exd. A. F. Aaron.
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GENERAL.
ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of (1885) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated March, 30th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 30th March 1885, No. 766 W.

MARCH.

Buckingham Canal

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.

10TH JANUARY 1885, No. 97 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

ORDER—dated 10th January 1885, No. 97 W., Public Works.

The headquarters of the Buckingham Canal division having, under G.O., No. 2765 W., dated 6th November 1884, been fixed at Nellore, in the II Circle, His Excellency the Governor in Council considers that, for this and other reasons which have been explained by the Chief Engineer, it will be more convenient to incorporate the division into the II Circle. The transfer from the V Circle will accordingly be arranged as soon as practicable by the Superintending Engineers concerned.

2. His Excellency the Governor in Council is also of opinion that it would be highly advantageous to attach to the V Circle the North Arcot division, the irrigation systems of which are so intimately connected with those of the Chingleput division. This arrangement would, moreover, bring the configuration and size of the IV Circle within more workable limits.

The transfer will accordingly be effected by the officers concerned.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
To Superintending Engineers.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Revenue Department.
" Financial "

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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January, 10th.

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Encl.

G.O., 10th Jan. 1885, No. 97 W.

JANUARY.

Rearrangement of Divisions

The Buckingham Canal division transferred from the V to the II Circle, and the North Arcot division transferred from the IV to the V Circle.

No 46 B.C

Superintending Engineer's Office,
2nd circle, Masulipatam
7th 4th March 1885.

From,

The Superintending Engineer,
2nd circle.

To,

The Chief Engineer
For Irrigation.

Sir,

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Sub-Engineer will assist the
Division officer.

79 mile to 11 mile

Pulicat

68 Pulicat

Under direct Mr. R. Enright
charge of the Supervisor with
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Engineer under the Executive
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Sub-Division.

11 mile to the
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Madras.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. W. Rumsall
Superintending Engineer,
2nd circle.

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From The Superintending Engineer
 2nd Circle

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To The Chief Engineer
 For Irrigation
 Madras

P.W.D.
 28/3/85

Dated 4th March 1885
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No 46 B.C

Buckingham Canal - Report
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 that the Head-quarters of the Engrs
 should be fixed at
 Pulicat

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Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation

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Chepauk
 25 March 1885

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 Chief Engineer for Irrigation
 Colonel R.B.

The Chief Engineer
 P.W.D.

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Suptg. Engineer, recom-
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From The Chief Engineer for
Irrig.
To The Chief Engineer P.W.D.

Dated 25th March } 1885
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Buckingham Canal.
note approving the arrange-
ments regarding the limits
of 4 sub-dns of the — the names
of officers who are the witnesses
and the proposal of
fixing the S.D. line of
the Canal at Pulicat.

With order
W. M. S. S. S.

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G.O. 30 Nov 1885. No. 766 W

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