

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 7th December 1883, Mis. No. 2793, Financial.

Read—G.O., dated 22nd November 1883, No. 937 I., Public Works.

Order—dated 7th December 1883, Mis. No. 2793, Financial.

The President of the Kurnool Municipal Commission will report on paragraph 2 after consulting the Commissioners.

2. Paragraphs 4 and 5 will be communicated to the President, Municipal Commission, Nellore, for information.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Kurnool.
" " " " Nellore.

READ—also the following paper :—

From W. H. GLENNY, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Kurnool,
to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Pyápali, 20th March 1884,
No. 122.

In reply to the official memorandum of the Acting Under Secretary, No. 565, dated 10th March 1884, I have the honor to report that the Commissioners are of opinion that their present resources do not admit of their contracting a loan for the improvement of the water-supply of this town as suggested in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 937 I, Public Works, dated 22nd November 1883. The municipality has always been poor, and, with a decreasing population and a prospect of decreasing trade, its financial condition is not hopeful. The heavy educational charges thrown upon it by G.O., dated 17th August 1883, No. 1768, Financial, have already obliged the Commissioners to curtail some of their sanitary allotments. No margin for payment of interest can ever be expected.

ORDER—dated 1st May 1884, No. 959, Financial.

The transfer of middle and primary education to the Kurnool Municipality has resulted in a net increase in the education charges of Rs. 2,580 as shown by G.O., 12th February 1884, No. 305. Deducting from the total grant for education for 1884-85 Rs. 5,910, the fees expected, the balance, Rs. 3,360, is 14 per cent. of the municipal income exclusive of opening balance and license-tax receipts. On the other hand, the police contribution of which the municipality was relieved amounted to Rs. 3,890 on an average of three years. It does not appear, therefore, that the poverty of the municipality is due to the recent educational changes. At the same time it is

probable that no comprehensive scheme for the improvement of the water-supply of the town can be taken up unless a loan is raised. The President will report the cost of the works the Government in the Public Works department consider necessary to effect the required improvement. A rough estimate might be framed by the local engineering staff, and, should the cost be moderate and the Commissioners consider it desirable to raise a loan, the interest thereon may, it appears to the Government, be paid from municipal funds.

(True Extract.)

E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Kurnool.
Copy to the Public Works department.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

P.W.D.

Govt. of (1884) Madras.

FINANCIAL.

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Encl.

G.O., 1st May 1884, No. 959.

MAY.

Municipal Water-supply.

Passing orders on letter from the President, Municipal Commission, Kurnool, submitting report regarding the water-supply of the Kurnool town.

With order

28TH JULY 1884, No. 1823 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following paper :—

G.O., dated 9th July 1884, Mis. No. 1520, Financial.

Read—the following letter from the President, Municipal Commission, Kurnool, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 1st July 1884, No. 227 :—

In reply to the official memorandum of the Acting Assistant Secretary, No. 1338, dated 19th June 1884, I have the honor to inform you that the Executive Engineer, Kurnool division, has been asked to furnish the commissioners with an estimate of the cost of the proposed water-works. This he has not yet done, and has not had time to do. On receipt of the estimate, I shall lay the views of the commissioners before Government.

2. Meanwhile, I venture to remark that I do not think it probable that any new system worth having will prove to come within the means at the disposal of the commissioners, and, moreover, I do not think the matter one of great importance. The question was informally discussed in 1881, and this was the opinion arrived at : Kurnool is a poor place, decreasing in population and importance, and situated, as it is, at the confluence of two perennial rivers—one of them a river of the first order—the question of water-supply never even before the introduction of the present system, was a question of really urgent importance. The present system is vicious from a sanitary point of view, and it is, in fact, a pernicious luxury : it never was a matter of necessity.

Order—dated 9th July 1884, Mis. No. 1520, Financial.

Recorded, pending receipt of the estimate, the submission of which the Executive Engineer will be requested, in the Public Works Department, to expedite.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

ORDER—dated 28th July 1884, No. 1823 W., Public Works.

Communicated, with advertence to G.O., No. 498 I., dated 23rd May 1884, to the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, who will expedite the submission of the estimate referred to.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, III Circle.
„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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Recorded

(Signed) J. A. H.

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CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of 1884 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated July, 28th.

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G.O., 28th July 1884, No. 1823 W.

JULY.

Kurnool Water Works

The Superintending Engineer asked to expedite submission to the municipal commissioners of the estimate of cost of proposed —.

17TH JULY 1886, No. 1813 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following letter from S. VEERARAWGAVALU NAIDU, Officiating Chairman, Municipal Council, Kurnool, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Kurnool, 7th June 1886, No. 71—Through the Revenue divisional officer in charge of the Rámallakót taluk :—

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government that the district sanitary officer has, in a memorandum of which I beg to enclose a copy, drawn the attention of the municipal council of Kurnool to the defective character of the present arrangements for supplying the town with water, and to the necessity for introducing a system of water supply on modern principles. Dr. King strongly recommends the substitution of iron pipes for the present leaky masonry channels (liable to contamination occasionally from sub-soil soakage) and the construction of a filter and supply reservoir, the cost of which he roughly estimates at Rs. 63,000. Government are aware that the municipal council is quite alive to the importance and necessity of improving the water supply of the town, and, when His Excellency the Governor honored this municipality with a visit, in July 1883, the Commissioners, in an address presented to His Excellency, dwelt on the necessity for carrying out the very measures now suggested by Dr. King, and begged that the Government, in consideration of the poverty of this municipality and its inability to afford the very large expenditure likely to be required for the execution of the improvements needed, would, as a special favor, remit the annual water tax of Rs. 3,500 levied from them for the supply given to the town from the irrigation canal, and submitted that this concession would enable the commissioners to meet the interest on the capital required for the improvements. His Excellency, however, considered that the concession would be a bad precedent, and Government, in their order, dated 22nd November 1883, No. 937 I., Public Works, observed that action in regard to the improvement of the town water supply should be taken by the municipality by raising a loan. The President, in his letter embodied in G.O., No. 959, dated 1st May 1884, pointed out the utter impossibility of raising a loan as no margin for payment of interest could ever be expected out of their inelastic income, burdened with charges which could not bear curtailing. Government were thereupon pleased to call for a rough estimate of the works proposed, for consideration in the Public Works Department. The commissioners accordingly requested the Executive Engineer, Kurnool (*vide* letter, No. 206, dated 2nd June 1884), to favor them with a scheme for the improvement of water supply, embracing (1) the substitution of water-tight iron pipes for the present masonry conduits; (2) the construction of two tanks for storage of water for use during the six weeks of the hot weather when the canal is closed for repairs, and (3) the construction of a reservoir in which the water might be filtered or allowed to settle before it is let into the town pipes. No response to this request has been received from the Executive Engineer. In reply to a reminder sent in August 1885, the Executive Engineer stated that the plans and estimates called for by Government had not been prepared, and that, with the staff at his disposal, it was impossible for him to say when they would likely be prepared.

2. In considering the district sanitary officer's memorandum, the present municipal council, at a meeting held on the 12th ultimo, resolved to request Government (1) to reconsider their decision declining to remit the annual water-rate of Rs. 3,500 now levied from Municipal Funds, and (2) to call upon the Public Works Department to expedite the submission of the estimates called for in G.O., No. 959, dated 1st May 1884.

3. I have the honor earnestly to request that their prayer may be granted. Government will see from the annual budgets of the municipality for a series of years the utter impossibility of providing for payment of any large interest on borrowed capital out of the existing revenues of the municipality. The municipal council is entirely averse to levy a separate water-tax on the town under the powers given to it by the District Municipalities Act, or to raise the percentage of house-tax, which, as it is, is over-rated, as taxation has already reached a comparatively high point in the town considering the poverty of the population, and the imposition of an Imperial income tax has caused a certain amount of discontent.

No. 133.

Submitted through the Collector of Kurnool.

(Signed) C. SOMASUNDRA SHASTRI,
Temporary Deputy Collector.

8th June 1886.

No. 294.

Submitted for the orders of Government. It appears to the undersigned that the councillors should not ask the Governor in Council to reconsider their order until they (the councillors) submit plans and estimates of the proposed works. The municipality has done great things for Kurnool, and the undersigned would humbly submit that, on a proper estimate being submitted, the prayer of the council be granted. Undoubtedly the town is too poor to pay for both the water and the proposed improvements.

(Signed) W. G. UNDERWOOD,
Acting Collector.

KURNOOL,
15th June 1886.

No. 427, Financial.

Transferred to the Public Works Department for disposal.

(By Order.)

(Signed) E. S. LAFFAN,
Acting Under Secretary.

MADRAS,
12th July 1886.

ORDER—dated 17th July 1886, No. 1813 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, who will expedite the submission of the estimate called for in proceedings, No. 498 I., dated 23rd May 1884, and No. 1823 W., dated 28th July 1884. In the meantime it should be reported in what stage the matter now is, and when the estimates may be expected.

2. The question of remitting the water-rate levied from Municipal Funds for the supply received from the canal will be considered on receipt of the estimate.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, with two enclosures,
in original, for perusal and early return.

„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Financial Department.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated July, 17th.

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G.O., 17th July 1886, No. 1813 W.

JULY.

Kurnool Water Supply

The Superintending Engineer to expedite the submission of the estimate for the improvement of the —; and the question of remitting the water-rate levied from the Municipal Funds to be considered on receipt of the estimate.

No. 908

Superintending Engineer's Office,
3rd CIRCLE

Bellary 5th August 1886.

FROM,

Col: A. M. Vibart R.E.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

IIIrd CIRCLE.

TO,

THE Chief Engineer
P.W. Department
Madras

SIR,

Enclosures.

With reference to G.O. No. 1813 W dated 17th July 1886, I have the honor to report that the Project for the Kurnool water supply has to be taken up ab initio, as the investigations hitherto made have only been of a preliminary nature.

2. If a specially trained Overseer were deputed for the work it might be possible to submit Estimates within two months time.

3. The amalgamation of the Kurnool with the Canal Division has considerably increased the work, and in consequence of sickness the Executive Staff is always about 25 per cent below the full strength.

so that the Executive Engineer has not
been in a position to undertake the work
with the present Staff.

I have the honor to be
Your most Obedient Servant.

Respectfully Col R.E.

Superintending Engineer 3^d Circle

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" 1823 W. 18. 7. 84
B. W. 498 J. 23. 5. 84.

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From,
The Superintending Engineer,
IIIrd Circle.

To,
The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.
Madras

Dated 5th } August 1886.
Received 6th }

Enclosures.

No. 908.

Kurnool Water Supply

Reporting that the project for the L has to be taken up from the beginning and that it is impossible to submit estimates soon with the present fever-stricken staff of the Kurnool Division.

Note

The sanctioned and existing strength of the III Circle is as follows.

<u>Sanctioned</u>	<u>Existing</u>
Executive Engineers 3	3
Assistant Engineers 2	2
Upper Subordinates 25	26
30	31

To the existing scale must be added one more temporary overseer (A. Vedagiri) transferred from the I to the III Circle.

The Supg. Engr III Circle should be able on Vedagiri's arrival to depute an experienced overseer for the Kurnool Water Supply work.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 2061 W of 17th August 1886

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

From the S. E. ~~III~~ C. No: 908. & 5. 8. 86.

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2. The sanctioned
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 added another tem-
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 transferred from
 the I Circle. When
 a. Vedagiri^{Mud.} has joined
 the III Circle, the S. E.
 will perhaps be
 able

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able to depute a
suitable upper
subordinate for the
Kurnool water
supply project.

3. The S. E. I Circle
will be requested
to direct the tempor-
ary Overseer to join
the III circle without
delay.

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S. E. I & III Circles.
C. E. for S.
Financial Dept.

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