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From

The Collector,
Kistna

To The Secretary to the Commissioners of
Land Revenue.
Madras.

Dated 3rd March 1895
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Subject.

Reporting on the prospect of the extension of Telegraph System to some places in this District.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
Enclosure No. 2
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of Land Revenue, for favour of orders with reference to Board's Proceedings No 399, dated 24th September 1894.

2 If the telegraph line in connection with the Bezwada-Madras Railway is to be put up next year, nothing further is necessary, provided this line is open to the public. The four villages mentioned will be on the line of rail.

Kistna Collector's Office.
Masulipatam
Dated 3rd March 1895

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For Collector.

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Kistna Sub Collector's Office
Guntur.
Dated 16th February 1895

From L. C. Buckley Esquire
Acting Subcollector, Kistna.

To The Collector, Kistna.

Sir, With reference to your Reference No 1338, English, dated the 7th November last, I have the honour to report that the people of 4 villages in this Division mentioned in list b are not prepared to give the guarantees asked for by the Director-General of Telegraphs. The financial prospects of the proposed offices are as follows:—

Duggirala. 109 telegrams at a cost of Rs 83-12-0, were sent from this village during the last 3 years. It is a small village with a population of 1991. This village has lost its importance by the transfer of D. P. W. offices. The establishment of a telegraph will not there be advantageous to Government.

Tenali. About 750 telegrams were sent from Tenali during the last 3 years, and about 880 telegrams were received in this village. Tenali

is a big village with a population of 6074 and an annual heriz of Rs 40,000. It has extensive import and export trade with Madras, Kottapalem, Ongole, Guntur, Ellore, Bezwada, Bandar, Nandyal Mangalagiri, Mattiwada, Hyderabad &c. The importance and commerce of this place will increase when the Taluk office is transferred from Repalle. It is therefore considered that the Establishment of a telegraph office here will be advantageous to Government financially.

Bapatla. The leading men of the place assure that they will try their best to make the project successful. It is the seat of several public offices, such as Tahsildar, District Munsiff, Sub Registrar, Local Fund Overseer, D. P. W. Overseer. Inspecting School Master, Sub Assistant Inspector &c, so that there will be frequent occasion for the despatch of telegrams from and to the place. At present telegrams sent from Bandar via Guntur reach Bapatla on the 4th day i.e. a day later than the postal covers sent from the same place. It is hoped that Rs 15 may be realised a month, and the place should therefore be connected with telegraph line.

Chirala. considering the commercial importance of the place, it is certain that an income of not less than Rs 25 may be derived in a month on an average. The location of a Telegraph office in this village will be beneficial not only to its people but also to those of Vetapalem, Pandillapally, Santaravuru, and other places. Chirala is 9 miles from Bapatla; beyond Chirala lies Vetapalem, an important village, 5 miles distant, and 7 miles still further is Inkollu, where there is already a telegraph line. A line from Bezwada to Inkollu via Tenali, Bapatla, Chirala and Vetapalem would be the most direct route to Madras.

2. I beg to refer you to list A to be found in Board's Proceedings (Land Revenue) 399, dated 24th September 1894, which contains a list of villages where it is considered offices may be opened experimentally with a fair prospect of success. Of the villages named therein I have some knowledge of (13) Sirivaikuntam (14) Namakkal (15) Dharmapuri and (21) Jamkund I am confident that the opening of telegraph offices in Tenali, Bapatla and Chirala is just as likely to be a financial success as in Sirivaikuntam and Jamkund and more likely than in Namakkal and Dharmapuri

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) L. E. Buckley
Acting Sub Collector.

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