

RAILWAY.

Govt. of {1890} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated May, 19th.

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G.O., 19th May 1890, Nos. 683,
684 R.

MAY.

Estimates sanctioned, South
Indian Railway

Forwarding the schedule of— up to 31st
March 1890.

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of {18} Madras.

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Railway from Bellam
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Letter from the Chief
of the Survey of India
from the Survey of India
on the subject of
the construction of a line of
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terms on which the Co.
is prepared to undertake
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P. W. C. No. 4233

A No 685 R of 19 May 190.

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Communicated to the
Consulting Engineer for
Railways for attention.

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Sir

Your most obedient servant,

MacKenzie Major, R.E.

Under Secretary

Documents Accompanying
Copy of a Despatch from
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India Office,
London, 13th March 1890.

Railway,
No. 31.

To His Excellency The Most Honourable The Governor
General of India in Council.

MY LORD MARQUIS,

Offer of Madras Railway Company to
construct a line of railway from Nellore to
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* No. 7413 of 21st February 1890.

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7th November and 19th December 1889.

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My Lord Marquis,

Your Lordship's most obedient humble Servant,
(Signed) Cross.

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ENCLOSURE.

No. 7413.

Madras Railway Company,
61, New Broad Street, London, E.C.,
21st February 1890.

Sir,

The Board learn by letter, recently received from their Agent and Manager, that the Government of Madras have sanctioned the survey by this Company's establishment, at a cost of Rs. 20,000, of a line of railway from Nellore to Bezwada, to meet the proposed East Coast Railway at the Kistna Bridge.

2. The sanction of this survey, and the very encouraging remarks made by Lord Connemara during his recent tour in the Delta districts, lead the Board to hope that the Madras Government will support their proposal to undertake the construction of this link from Madras to Bezwada as an extension of this Company's system.

3. In their letter to the Agent and Manager of the 15th November last, No. 823, the Board observed (paragraph 4) that should the result of this survey prove to be favourable, it would be followed by definite proposals from this Company to construct the line on the standard gauge.

4. Until the results of the survey are before them, the Board are unable to speak with confidence of the commercial prospects of the line, or the probable cost of the undertaking, but judging from the well known features and general character of the region to be traversed, and the towns that will be tapped, they anticipate no engineering difficulties, and are led to regard it as a very promising section of railway communication towards the north, and one which will amply repay construction, and prove of great advantage to the Madras Railway.

5. It has occurred to the Board that the Secretary of State might prefer that the existing Tirupati Nellore Railway should be utilized for the proposed extension of the Madras Railway system to Nellore and Bezwada, but should there be any objection on the part of the Government in India to allow the conversion of this metre gauge famine protective track to the broad gauge, this Company will be prepared to start from a point further south on the Madras Railway at Tiruvalore, or any other place that may be found to be more desirable as a junction, and follow the direction of the main road through Gudur to Nellore. This line would run through a more favourable country in many respects, in fact through a well cultivated region, in place of the jungle which is traversed by the existing railway, but as it crosses the drainage of the tract between the hills and the coast, the cost of construction will probably be somewhat heavier on this account.

6. In respect to the provision of the necessary funds, should the Government object to the issue of debentures, as heretofore, at say, $3\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., the Company will be prepared to undertake the construction of this extension to their system, on such terms as may be considered by the Secretary of State to be fair and reasonable to both parties. The Board are not aware of the precise terms on which the promoters of the East Coast Railway scheme have based their pro-

posals, but they have little doubt of their ability to enter into arrangements which will be acceptable to the Indian Government, and they will be glad to be favoured with the views of the Secretary of State on the subject.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JULIAN BYRNE,
Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State
for India.

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Order that the application
for granting a special
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for the favourable consideration
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