

Public Works (1890) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 319 Ry.

DATED 3^d March

[Despatch Abstract.]

Overbridge at Guntakal on the Bellary & Kistna Railway. — Resolution of the Govt. of India sanctioning a revised estimate for an —, Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

BACK PAPERS.

FURTHER PAPERS.

Bellary-Kistna Railway.—Construction of the two overbridges at Guntakul.

No. 616 OF 1889.

P. W. Department,
Railway.

Bombay Castle,
18th March 1889.

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways No. 1723 dated 5th March 1889.

Submits correspondence ending with letter No. 294 dated 25th February 1889 from the Agent and Chief Engineer, Southern Mahratta Railway Company, requesting sanction to the construction of the two overbridges required at Guntakul for the Bellary-Kistna Railway, at a cost of Rs. 14,051 and Rs. 11,989 respectively.

RESOLUTION.—The following estimates—

Bridge over the Madras Railway at Guntakul ...	... Rs. 14,051,
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Bridge over the Bellary-Kistna Railway at Guntakul ...	11,989,
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are sanctioned in anticipation of the orders of the Government of India on the Revised Estimates.

2. Work should not be commenced on the bridge over the Madras Railway until the sanction of the Agent, Madras Railway Company, has been received by the Agent and Chief Engineer, Southern Mahratta Railway Company.

3. Sanction registered as No. 1 C. of 1889, to close on 31st December 1889.

F. FIREBRACE, Lieut.-Colonel,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To

The Government of Madras.
(By endorsement No 617.)

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

The Agent and Chief Engineer,

The Auditor,

The Government Examiner,

{ Southern Mahratta Railway.

Bellary-Kistna Railway.—Construction of an
overbridge at Guntakul.

No. 427 of 1890.

P. W. Department,
Railway.

Bombay Castle,
17th February 1890.

Read Government Resolution No. 616 dated 18th March 1889.

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways No. 1336 dated 14th February 1890.

Submits letter No. 227 dated 4th February 1890 from the Agent and Chief Engineer,
Southern Mahratta Railway Company, forwarding for sanction a revised plan and estimate,
for an overbridge at Guntakul on the Bellary-Kistna Railway amounting to Rs. 7,782.

RESOLUTION.—The revised estimate, amounting to Rs. 7,782, now submitted
by the Agent, is sanctioned, and the sanction previously conveyed under Govern-
ment Resolution No. 616 dated 18th March 1889 is hereby cancelled.

2. Sanction registered as No. 5 C. of 1890 to close on 31st March 1891.

H. W. WARDEN,
Under Secretary to Government.

To
The Government of Madras.
(By endorsement No. 428.)
The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
The Examiner of Railway Accounts, Dharwar.
The Agent and Chief Engineer, } Southern Mahratta Railway Company.
The Auditor,

No. 428 of 1890.
P. W. Department, Railway
Bombay Castle 17 February 1890.

Copy forwarded to the Joint
Secretary to Govt of Madras, P. W. Departt,
Railway.

H. W. Warden
Under Secretary to Govt.

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Communicated to the

Consulting Engineer for
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of Prop. No. 349 R dated 26.
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11TH JANUARY 1890, No. 35 R., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Railway.

Read again the following paper :—

G.O., dated 7th December 1889, Nos. 1347-48 R., Public Works.

From the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 28th November 1889,
No. 480.

Letter from the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, dated 8th October 1889,
No. E-41/1111, with enclosure.

ENCLOSURE.

From H. R. P. CARTER, Esq., Acting Chief Engineer, to the Acting Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 30th March 1886, No. 878/217.

With reference to yours, No. 1410 of 26th current, I think it will be well to place on record
how the question of the Guntakal junction between the Bellary-Kistna State Railway and the
Madras Railway stands.

2. It was, in the first instance, understood that the Madras Railway Company should
execute the joint station works and we made plans for the same accordingly; we also provided
funds in our budget estimate for 1885-86.

3. The amount was, however, cut out of our budget estimate, of which the Chief Engineer
of the Bellary-Kistna State Railway was advised and he included the amount in his budget
which was passed.

4. Subsequent to sanction having been obtained for the general plan we originally
submitted, certain extra buildings were applied for by our Traffic Manager and were included in
a revised estimate sent forward for sanction. These buildings are referred to by the Consulting
Engineer in his "note" which accompanied his letter No. 141, of 12th current.

5. I agree with the Consulting Engineer that these works should be built by the Bellary-
Kistna State Railway officers, and suggest that the Consulting Engineer be moved to obtain
sanction for their construction.

6. I am prepared to recommend for your approval—

1st.—That all station works and buildings be executed by the Bellary-Kistna State
Railway as also all metre-gauge lines in the yard.

2nd.—That the Madras Railway put up all semaphores and other station machinery
required by them as well as their turn-table and water-column and also lay down any broad
gauge lines which may be required.

7. I presume that there will be no difficulty in recovering from the Bellary-Kistna State
Railway any expenditure incurred by this company in connection with this work.

Submitted to Government, for transmission to the Government of India.

2. The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, submits an estimate (with plan) for
Rs. 67,434, chargeable to Capital, of the cost of extra sidings and cross-over road at
Guntakal station which were rendered necessary on its becoming a junction with the
Southern Mahratta Railway.

3. The work, the cash portion of which is Rs. 6,694, was executed as far back as
1886. There appears to have been a misunderstanding on the part of the Madras
Railway Company in regard to the agency by which work at the Guntakal junction

To
The Consy. Engr. for Ryos

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should be done. The work for which the present estimate is submitted was exclusively for the use of the Madras Railway Company and under the agreement approved by the Governments of Bombay and Madras in 1883, the cost should have been met by the Madras Railway Company, but it had been included in the original estimate for proposed *joint* work, the general plan of which was sanctioned in June 1885, and the Madras Railway Company, although it finally declined to undertake the joint station arrangements, actually took in hand and completed that portion of the approved design which exclusively belonged to itself, the items of which form the estimate now submitted, viz., certain sidings and cross over road on the 5' 6" gauge with the necessary semaphores and signals, under the mistaken impression that the expense was incurred on behalf of the Southern Mahratta Railway and that that railway would refund the amount.

4. The Examiner of Railway Accounts states that "the material used was never 'issued;' i.e., though issued was never charged to an estimate nor written off the books, consequently the Audit department knew nothing of the expenditure having been incurred; such small cash expenditure as was incurred was charged to the Engineering Stores and Workshop account, and was only discovered on a recent joint inspection of the Engineering Workshop and Stores accounts by the Chief Auditor and Government Examiner."

5. The matter was considered at an official meeting held on 15th August, and the Agent and Manager was requested to submit an estimate with full explanation as to the necessity for the expenditure.

6. Provision for the work has been made in the budget for 1889-90.

7. The estimate is submitted for the formal sanction of the Government of India.

Order—dated 7th December 1889, No. 1347 R., Public Works.

Ordered to be forwarded for the sanction of the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 1348 R., dated 7th December 1889.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. J. SMITH, Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

Endorsement—dated 7th December 1889, No. 1348 R., Public Works.

Forwarded.

(By order.)

(Signed) C. J. SMITH, Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

Read also the following paper:—

From Major M. C. BRACKENBURY, R.E., Under-Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railway—Construction), to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Calcutta, 27th December 1889, No. 1208 R.C.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 1348 R., dated 7th December 1889, and, in reply, to communicate the sanction of the Government of India to the estimate therewith received, amounting to Rs. 67,434, chargeable to

Capital, for sidings and cross-over roads at the Guntakal station, which were constructed in 1886 and which became necessary in consequence of the junction of the Bellary-Kistna State Railway with the Madras Railway at that station, provision for the work having been made in item 36, schedule B of the current year's budget.

2. This sanction has been registered as No. 15, Madras Railway of 1889.

ORDER—dated 11th January 1890, No. 35 R., Public Works.

Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, with reference to his endorsement No. 480, dated 28th November 1889.

2. This sanction has been registered as No. 32 R. of 1889-90.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. J. SMITH, Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Railway Branch.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts.

Exd. P. L. Pereira.
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Govt. of {1890} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January, 11th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 11th Jan. 1890, No. 35 R.

JANUARY.

Sidings and cross-over roads at
the Guntakal Station .

Letter from the Government of India
sanctioning estimate for —, communicated
to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.