Public Works (1896) Department.

SERIAL No. 5

G.O., No. 208 R

DATED 7th March

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Malabar Chamber of Commerce Tellichery

The Honorary Secretary of the ——— informed of the position of affairs with regard to the construction of the Calicut-Cannanore Railway & its extension to Baliapatam

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Public.

1895.

From,
The — Collector of
South Canara.

To,
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
Fort St. George.

Dated 7th October 1895.
Received 14/10/95

Disposal No. 74 of 95.
English

ENCLOSURE.s. (two)- of which ~~maps~~ sent separately.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
14 OCT. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Subject.

Extension of the Madras Railway from Cannanore to Baliapatam — Submitting Memorial of the Merchants and Landholders of Kasaragod taluq in the South Canara Dt and of the Chirakal taluq in Malabar suggesting the desirability of the — and urging the importance of the extension on grounds stated.

Transferred.

Recd No 2517

Transferred to the
Public Works Department
(Railway Branch)
W. Francis
Ag Under Secretary
Recd: 24.10.95

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~~Fort St George~~
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23rd Octr 1895

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Calicut - Cannanore Ry

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No. 8

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To
H.E. the Govr.
Hon. Mr. Blair
Hon. Mr. Grose

A petition was submitted dated 30.7.95 by certain inhabitants of South Kanara praying that the proposed line to Cannanore might be extended 6 miles further on to Baliapatam where it would tap a large system of waterways

The petitioners were informed that Govt. would consider the extension, when the construction of the Cannanore extension is sanctioned

Meanwhile the M. Ry was asked to enquire into the expediency of the proposal and his report, dated 30-4-96, is now circulated for the information of His Excellency & Hon. Members. It will be observed he strongly recommends it.

It is however hardly worth while to estimate for it until the original project is sanctioned, as the estimate for the latter will then have to be revised and the extension can be taken up at once when work is about to begin

C.S.

30/5/96

6/6/96

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The only remark that occurs to me is why is not the Sultan's Canal kept in good order?

6/6/96

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W W Phillips
Ag Assistant Secretary

Fort St George
 1896

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Recd: 21.7.96

Forwarding correspondence regarding Sultan's canal in connection with Calicut-Cannanore Railway Extension to Baliapatam.

(With Endorsement)

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× page 45 of Budget Review
* " 61 " "

Submitted that the canal has probably been allowed to get out of order because it is in a remote part of the district & not often visited by district officers.

16/7/96

To The Public Works (Railway) Departt

[P. W. 50 / 2000—30-4-96.]

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Public Works Department.

~~& Municipal Dept.~~
~~RENT No. 1912 L~~

No. 2776 C

Dated 9-7-1896

Despatched .

Received 10 JUL. 96

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SUBJECT.

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(With Endorsement)

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C.S.

No. 834

Returned to the Public Works Department with a note containing the information required by the Hon'ble Mr Bliss.

W W Phillips

Ag Assistant Secretary

V.R.
12/7/96

Fort St George
18th July 1896

Encls: 3 (Encls 3 recd)

Recd: 21.7.96

Note

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16/7/96

To The Public Works (Railway) Departt

Forwarded to

"I" with reference to

the Hon: Mr. Bliss'

note re Sultanis Canal.

J.D.J. 9/6

for Jt. Secy: to Govt: P.W.D. Ry Br.

Returned to R with the intimation that the canal referred to is not in charge of the Irrigation Branch P.W.D. A Note on the subject is attached

D.S.

20/6.

17/6/96

Recd
22/6/96

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22d June 1896

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Note on Sultan's Canal.

Regarding the Sultan's canal or Sultoni Todi in the Malabar district noticed by the Hon:Mr: Bliss the following passage occurs at page 10 Vol:1 of the Malabar District Manual "N.Lat: 12° 2', E.Long 75° 18 This is an artificial work (about two mile in length), undertaken and executed in 176$\overset{5}{6}$ by Ali Raja, the husband of Bibi of Cannanore, when managing the Kolattiri domains for Haidar Ali. It connects the Mount Deli river with the back water formed at the mouth of the Taliparamba and Valarpattanam rivers, and this gives uninterrupted water communication at all seasons. Formerly boats going to or from the north had to go out to sea at this point."

At page CCLXXI Vol:II of the District Manual the following passage occurs.

" There is, however, one canal of communication usually known as the Sultan's Canal between the river of Palayangadi and a branch of another which runs north and joins the Kavayi immediately to the south of the town of that name. It is three miles in length cut through low paddy ground. It was executed at the expense of the Bibi of Cannanore with the object, it would appear of having a safe inland navigation from Nilishwaram in South Canara to Kakkad 2 miles to the north east of Cannanore. It is now shallow and impassable during the dry season"

eason"

There is no information available in the Irrigation office as to why the canal is not now kept in order. It is apparently in charge of the District Boards.

Rn [illegible]
22/6/96

~~For~~ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Sultan's canal in connection with Calicut - Cannanore Railway Extension to Baliapatam.

Forwarded to
Hon. Mr. Bliss
for information with ref. to
his remark of 6/6/96

C. W. [illegible]
27/6/96

Please ask L. & M. Dept. if it knows anything about the matter

BS
24/6/96

[illegible] Dept.

1912 L.

No. 2776 C d/ 9th July 1896

* with case in original to be returned.

* Forwarded to the Local and Municipal Department for favor of reply to above note by the Hon: Mr. Bliss.

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Jt. Secy: to Govt: P. W. D. Ry. Br.

Encs. 1 case 1 plan 1 tracing and 2 ~~tracings~~ statements marked A-C (to be returned)

[illegible]
23/6/96 R 29/6

Forwarded to the Honorable Mr. Bliss for information with reference to his request dated 29th June 1896.

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[illegible]
24/7/96

W.

Seen - It is satisfactory that the Canal is now being taken in hand

BS
27/7/96

No action reqd at present
File till the C. C. Ry is
taken in [illegible]. The
survey for survey being extended
to Baliapatam and included
in the revised estimate for the
C. C. Ry project [illegible]
does not [illegible] [illegible]

C
10/8/96

[illegible] 31/8/96

Sultan's canal in connection with Calicut-Cannanore Railway Extension to Baliapatam —

27. 7. 96

Current No. 2200/Eng of 95.

To

His Excellency the Governor in Council,

FORT ST. GEORGE,

Madras.

Through the Collector of South Canara.

The Humble Memorial of the Merchants and Landholders of Kasaragod Taluk in the South Canara District, as also of the Cherical Taluk in Malabar, dated 30th July 1895.

Respectfully sheweth,

THAT the Government having been pleased to sanction the extension of the Madras Railway to Cannanore, the Memorialists humbly venture to embrace this opportunity of suggesting the desirability of extending the line a little further so as to connect Baliapatam with Cannanore which is only 6 miles from the former.

That there is considerable traffic by canal from Hosdurg in South Canara to Baliapatam of Malabar at all times of the year, is a well known fact. The construction of a branch line from the proposed terminus at Cannanore, to the landing place at Baliapatam, would give an impetus to the existing traffic, and prove of immense benefit, as a feeder to the Railway line from Calicut to Cannanore.

That the canal communication, besides being so extensively used for transport of goods, is resorted to by a large number of travellers—Europeans and natives, especially during the monsoons when steamer communication stops. The advantages derivable from the extension of the Railway line to the landing place at Baliapatam cannot be overestimated in respect of the facilities it is calculated to afford to traffic.

That it may also be remarked here that the measure herein proposed, need not necessarily disturb the present arrangement, according to which Cannanore is to be the terminus; all what the Memorialists pray for, being the construction of a branch line from Cannanore to the landing place at Baliapatam.

In conclusion, therefore, the Memorialists humbly pray that Your Excellency may be graciously pleased to take into favorable consideration the foregoing facts and sanction the construction of a branch line from the Cannanore terminus to the landing place at Baliapatam.

For which act of grace, the Memorialists shall, as in duty bound, ever pray.

P. Devarkam Pleader
C. Anandarow Pleader
M. Narainrao
K. Raghunathayya Pleader
V. M. Venkata Prabhu
N. Ramarao
M. Ranga
B. Subba Rao

M. Subba Rao
M. Gopalakrishna Shenoy
B. Subba Rao
B. Ananthayya
V. Lakshman Rao
B. Shiva Rao
S. Annappa
E. Krishna Rao
W. Shama Rao
K. Manjunath
M. Narayan Nambiar
H. Shreenivasa Rao
K. Venkatramana
K. Ishwarachary
Balsavar Ramaiah

B. Narayana Rao
Narasimha
A. Mangesha Rao
Venkata Rao
Narasimha Rao
Venkata Rao
A. Devarow
Venkata Krishnayya
K. Shama Rao
B. Gopalkrishnaya
Raghavendra Rao

K. Narayana Rao
K. Vittal Roi
P. Anantha Bhandary
M. Mukunda Prabhu
Daniel Bangera

27.7.96

Mangalore Ram

J. Venktesh Bhatta

Padmanabhaye

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Bolar Babji Rau

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Enclosure I

In a letter from the Collector of South Canara to the Chief Secretary to ~~the Commissioners of Land Revenue~~ Government Public Dept, Madras, dated 7 October 1895

Recd No. 714/Eng of 95.

Memorial of the Merchants & Landholders of Kasaragod taluq, South Canara Dt. and of the Chirakkal taluq in Malabar.

Disposal No. 714/English of 95.

SOUTH CANARA COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Mangalore
7 October 1895.

From

W. H. Welsh, Esquire,
Collector of
South Canara.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Public Department,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit a memorial praying that the Madras Railway Extension from Calicut may be carried straight on to Belliapatam (Valarpattanam) at once instead of stopping short at Cannanore. A similar memorial is going to the Agent of the Madras Railway.

2. Such an extension would undoubtedly benefit goods and passenger traffic in this District. I am informed that as regards Malabar trade alone the extension will eventually be found necessary. Two Thirds of the Cannanore goods trade is said to come from the Belliapatam side.

3. From the enclosed map it will be seen what a net work of waterways can be tapped if the goods sidings can be taken to the riverside.

4. I venture to ask Government to refer

refer to the Malabar Manual. At pages 9, 10 and 11 the rivers and port are described, and at page 722 there is a series of maps showing the richness of the country which would be served in the following products:-

Rice 1st Sort
Rice 2d Sort
Other grain crops
Cocoanut gardens.
Areca tree gardens.
Jack tree gardens and
Pepper gardens.

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Besides these there is timber and forest produce. The adjoining tracts of South Canara and Coorg which would be tapped has presumably similar vegetable wealth to some extent; Canara has also tobacco, sugar cane and cured fish.

5. As for imports there is no question that Kerosine oil, copper, thread, piece goods and various manufactures would be required and would find their way back as return cargo in boats and during the fair season in sea going craft.

6. Timber trade which might be impossible without the extension would be facilitated. Passengers would greatly benefit by the extension, being saved the transfer to carts. During the monsoon when treasure is sent to Calicut it has to be transferred from carts to bearers at Hosdroog and south of the Parambe river to carts. If it could be transferred straight from Hosdroog in boats to the train at Belliapatam there would be a saving. It would be the same with Government stores going from Calicut during the monsoon of which there are always some. I mention this to shew the inconvenience which break of bulk must occasion to trade. It is impossible to make effective railway feeder roads to feed Cannanore Station. But if the railway came to the riverside, roads might be made to reach navigable points on the rivers. And it would be desirable to improve the Sultan's Canal by widening and straightening it. I am informed that there is an estimate for Rs 15,000 (Exclusive of compensation) for this work which it is believed would be quite effective. I should like the South Canara Board to contribute at any rate a small proportion of the cost of this, as this District would benefit by the outlay in the event of the railway extension to Belliapatam being sanctioned.

7. For these and other reasons I would urge the importance of surveying the extension now to the point where broad rivers seem to forbid further extension northward

northwards, and of constructing the additional six miles of railway once for all to the natural terminus of the Madras Railway as prayed by the memorialists.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Inwatch
Collector.

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SERIAL
No. 2

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The petitioners may be informed that as the Calicut Cannanore extension of the Madras Ry is now before the Govt. of India, the survey of the short line between Cannanore and Baliapatam is not ~~needed~~ necessary at present—

The memorial will be forwarded to the agent Madras Ry with a request that he will depute a traffic officer to consider the merits of the extension & report to the Cons. engineer with a view to the construction of this extension when the Calicut Cannanore line is undertaken

FRM 15/11 95

His Excellency the Governor.
Hon. Mr. Bliss.
Hon. Mr. Rose.

W
16 Nov

MB
18/11/95

JG
19/11/95

I don't see the use of making two bites at a cherry. Better do the whole job at once, I should say/

MB
18/11/95

My meaning is that the construction to Baliapatam sd be undertaken at the same time as the C. C. line — if the traffic officer finds the memorialists are right as to its necessity — but that its not worth while surveying the line wh. can be done in a week FRM 20/11 95

Very good
MB
21/11/95

Reply may issue
FRM 23/11 95

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15.11.95

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No. 808. R. dated 27.11.95

(R.) Form No. 3.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

No.

READ the following

Endorsement from the Public Department } H.E. No: 257 of 23rd Octr 1895

The petitioners will be informed by the Collector of South C. that ~~as~~ the Calicut-Cannanore ~~extension~~ project of the Madras Railway is now before the Government of India and its extension ~~the survey of the short line between Canna-nore~~ Baliapatam ~~is not necessary at present but~~ will be considered when the construction of the line above named is sanctioned

R

23/11

To the Collector of S. Canara

B/-
No. 808 R, dated 27.11.95

[illegible] 5/12

SERIAL
No. 5

B/-
No. 208 R. dated 7.3.96

Hon. Secretary
Malabar Chamber of
Commerce Tellicherry

I am directed to inform you that the memorial from the Malabar Chamber of Commerce addressed to the Government of India has been forwarded to this Govt. for disposal.

2. The practice of forwarding memorials direct to the Govt. of India is I am to say irregular and productive of delay. [~~The copy alleged to have been transmitted to this Govt. not having been received.~~]

3. The position of affairs with regard to the Calicut-Cannanore Ry. and its extension to Baliapatam is that the complete survey and estimate is in the hands of the Govt. of India with the strong support of this Govt. who have urged that the offers of the Madras Ry. to construct the line

I dont understand what this refers to. I can not find anywhere any such statement (not allegation please.)
With this exception - I pass the draft.
H S
5/3/96

W
3 Mar

J G
5/3/96

Issue
[illegible] 5/3 96

may receive favourable
consideration and that
the financial details
may be speedily concluded

Fru 2/3 96

His Excellency the Governor
Hon Mr Bliss
Hon Mr Rose

Documents Accomg.
Nil

Fair desp'd in R. Office
7.3.96

No. 208 R dated 7.3.96

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