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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 2nd May 1862.

No. 55. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, dated 1st April 1862, No. 646:—

Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel F. H. RUNDALL, Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 8th March 1862, No. 89:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward the accompanying letter* from the Chief Engineer received through the Agent,† furnishing the information called for in paragraph 3 of Proceedings of Government of 31st December last, No. 2,516.

* No. 164 of 25th February 1861.
† No. 67 of 6th March 1862.

2. He states that he expects the whole work from Kurnool to the Coast will be ready for commencement at the same time, and that therefore many Deputy Collectors will be required to make over the land.

3. Also that the estimates for the Nellore works and for the Kurnool Anicut and connecting Channel have been long ready for submission to Government, that those for the upper portion of the Kundár Valley between the water shed and Nundial are also ready and being copied for transmission, that those for the Pennár Division he expects to receive immediately, as all the works are planned, and that in the course of three months he hopes the main line will be fully marked out from Sunkasala to the Coast.

4. As to the period on which the Deputy Collector must necessarily be occupied he concludes the Collector's remark is based on the length of time he has been already in the District, but though beyond his province the Chief Engineer would yet observe that under so active and able an officer as Raganatha Row he believes a very efficient staff would repay its cost. As regards the time assigned by the Collector for the completion of the plans and estimates, the Chief Engineer trusts they will be all ready in two months instead of in two years.

5. He concludes with observing that as the Pennár works would be useless without the completion of the Canal to the Coast, he purposes submitting their estimate collectively, and in the event of their approval, the land could be made over in each District simultaneously, for which purposes additional Deputy Collectors would be required for the Cuddapah and Nellore Districts.

6. The point on which Government require information, viz., the length of time in which Raganatha Row's services will be required in Kurnool and Cuddapah will depend on the establishments placed at his disposal.

7. If, as the Chief Engineer states, the plans and estimates for the whole line from Kurnool to the Coast will be ready in three months, and the Government approve of the progress of the work, additional Deputy Collectors will certainly be required for each District, as Raganatha Row's time would be fully occupied in Kurnool alone.

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1. In Proceedings of 31st December 1861, No. 2,516, the Consulting Engineer was called upon to report in communication with the Company's Chief Engineer how long the Deputy Collector's services were likely to be required in the Districts of Kurnool and Cuddapah.

2. The letter now submitted encloses one from the Company's Chief Engineer stating that he expects the plans for the whole line from Kurnool to the Coast will be ready for submission in three months; inasmuch as the estimates for the upper portion of the Kundár Valley as far as Nundial are being copied for transmission, while those from the Pennár to the Coast have also been completed, leaving only the portion between Nundial and the Pennár to be prepared.

3. From this it would seem that the plans and estimates may all be expected in a much shorter time than anticipated by the Collector of Kurnool in paragraph 6 of his letter of 6th December last. The period during which the Deputy Collector will necessarily be occupied in making over the land must depend on the establishment placed at his disposal. That already sanctioned will probably prove sufficient to keep pace with the operations of the Company in the Kurnool District during the next two years. The requirements for other Districts will be reserved for consideration after the plans and estimates for those Districts have been received.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

No. 56.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd May 1862, No. 959.

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(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

P.W. Proc. 31 Decr. 1861 Nos 613-614

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