

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th July 1863.*

No. 248. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th June 1863,
No. 3,664:—

Read the following letter from the Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of Salem, to
W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 30th May 1863,
No. 87.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to reply to the Board's Order dated the 14th October last, No. —, communicating the Proceedings of the Madras Government dated the 11th idem, No. 2,199, and requesting me to report whether a road from Penagarum to Anchetty would be of general advantage.

2. There are at present two lines of road from Penagarum to Anchetty; but both are unfit for carts.

3. One of the two lines goes from Penagarum to the Cavery and running along the bank of the river turns through Natrapolliem to Anchetty. It appears that an attempt was made either in Collector Mr. Orr's time or before that, to form a bandy track on this line, but beyond two or three miles from Penagarum, the road is at present impassable for carts. At the end of the third mile there is a steep ghât, and so is another further on between Natrapolliem and Anchetty. It appears from the Tahsildar's report, and other information, that it would be impossible to make a cart track on this line without a very large outlay.

4. The other line goes through Muttloor and Garuttee. This line is far easier and passes through the Acha wood forests. A bandy road would probably cost 60,000 Rupees or Rupees 2,000 or 2,400 per mile.

5. From the inquiries I have made I am of opinion that a road would be of great advantage both to the State and to the public. The want of a bandy road in this part of the country has been long and much felt. It is this want that makes a large Acha forest nearly useless to Government, and shuts out many jungle villages from profitable markets. There are 10,000 Acres of land lying waste in the Penagarum Muta chiefly from want of means of transporting produce. If a good bandy road were made between Penagarum and Anchetty, and the roads from Anchetty to Denkencotta, and from Penagarum to Darumpury put in order, the country will be connected on the one side with Bangalore, and on the other with the Railway station at Morapoor.

1. Ordered to be submitted to Government, with reference to their orders dated 11th October 1862, No. 2,199, Revenue Department, and 1st November 1862, No. 2,331, Revenue Department.

2. The Board observe that the villages which formerly formed the Penagara Muta are all situated below the passes to which the Collector refers. It might be of service to those villages to improve the existing road between Pennagram and Darumpoor; but little or no advantage would accrue to them from the proposed ghât road to Anchetty. If, therefore, this road is really needed, it must be mainly for the purpose of opening out the Acha forests.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, Secretary.

No. 249. ORDER THEREON, 13th July 1863, No. 1,274.

1. Communicated to the Officiating Conservator of Forests, with reference to the orders of Government 11th October and 1st November 1862, Nos. 2,199 and 2,331.

2. Captain Beddome will be requested to state, with reference to the opinion expressed by the Board of Revenue in their present Proceedings, whether he considers it expedient that the formation of the road in question should be undertaken; and if so, he will report what returns may be expected from the Pennagara forests, after paying necessary charges, to cover the cost of the road, which, it is observed, is estimated by the Collector at about Rupees 60,000.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

No. 3,664.

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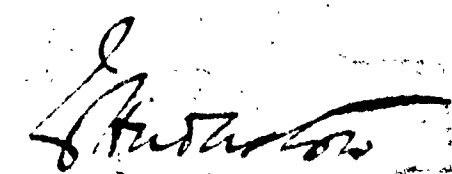
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(A true Copy and Extract.)


Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to Honorable D. Arbuthnott, Collector of Salem.

Exd. J. Wright.

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No. 11 1863
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 20th June 1863.

Despatched 23rd

Received 21st

From the Secretary of Forests
to the Secretary of Revenue
11th July 1863

No. 3,664.

Submitting with remarks a letter from the Collector of Salem on the subject of a road from Pengannur to Ancheli.

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October and 1st November 1862 Nos 2199 & 2331.

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opinion expressed by the Board of Revenue
in their present Proceedings, whether
he considers it expedient that the
formation of the road in question
should be undertaken, and if so, he
will, when he returns, inform me
whether he has been able to ascertain
whether any necessary changes, to cover
the cost of the road, which, it is
observed, is estimated by the collector
at about Rs 10,000.

For the Secretary of Forests
13th July 1863
Secretary of Revenue
13th July 1863