

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. <i>1015</i>	<u>Press</u> <u>Mis.</u>
Dated <i>27-4-</i> 18 <i>66</i> .	

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
27th April 1866.

No. 482. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Public Works Department:—

Requesting attention of this Department to
certain correspondence in view to the Collec-
tor of North Arcot being requested to exercise
any personal influence he may possess over the
Zemindar of Cavetnuggur to induce him to
improve the general condition of his tanks
and their embankments. (Here enter 23rd April 1866, No. 1,262.)

No. 483. ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1866, No. 1,015.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue, whose particu-
lar attention is drawn to paragraph 3 of the foregoing
Proceedings.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 1,262.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.
23rd April 1866.

No. 483. Read the following Endorsement of the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 5th April 1866, No. 147 :—

Read the following letter from the Agent and Manager Madras Railway Company, to the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 4th April 1866, No. 197.

1. I have the honor to submit a copy of paragraphs 20 and 21 of a letter from the Managing Director, No. 372, having reference to the interruption to this Company's traffic which was occasioned by the bursting of the bunds of tanks in the neighbourhood of the North-West Line, and to express a hope that the Government will take immediate and effectual steps to ensure that the bunds of all tanks shall be sufficiently strengthened and furnished with calingulahs.

2. The recent disasters on our North-West Line caused the Company considerable pecuniary loss, and interrupted, for several days, the working of traffic over that portion of the Railway.

Extract of a letter from the Secretary Madras Railway Company, No. 372, dated 26th January 1866.

Paragraph 20. The Board have received with great concern your accounts of the damage done to the works of the North-West Line, and the consequent interruption of the traffic by the bursting of so many tanks in its vicinity under the heavy fall of rain in the beginning of last month. These tanks are stated to be in the territory of the Zemindar of Cavetnuggur, against whom we have already had to bring a claim for damages for a similar occurrence in the previous monsoon; and we observe that only recently you forwarded to Government a list of no less than fifteen tanks bordering upon the North-West Line, the whole of which, with two exceptions, were unprovided with calingulahs, and likely sooner or later to be swept away and damage the Railway works. It is to be regretted that such a representation was not earlier made to Government, and means taken to remove so imminent a source of danger. The Board cannot doubt that the Government will now on your application take immediate and effectual steps to put an end to this state of things, by insisting that the bunds of all those tanks shall be sufficiently strengthened, and be furnished with calingulahs to prevent the over-accumulation of water in them in time of heavy rain, and generally that all necessary means be taken to secure the Railway from such disasters as it is now exposed to from accidents of this description.

21. Meantime the Board trust that you will succeed in recovering from the Rajah compensation for the damage sustained and the loss of traffic. They observe that you had been obliged, after failing to obtain redress otherwise, to place our claims against him for the previous damage in the hands of our Solicitors, and they are anxious to learn with what result. The interruption of the goods traffic from Cuddapah at such a time is most unfortunate, when so much cotton was waiting transport. We observe that three weeks was the estimated time required for restoring the communication, but we trust that by the exertions of our Engineers it may be shortened, and that this interruption may be the last to which the Railway traffic is subjected from such causes.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. F. HOOPER,

For Agent and Manager.

1. Submitted for the information of Government.
2. On the 28th of October last year the Agent and Manager sent to this Office a list of the tanks bordering the North-West Line, the whole of which, with one exception, were unprovided with calingulahs, and likely to cause damage to the line. The Superintending Engineers of the 3rd and 4th Divisions were at once addressed

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upon the subject, and requested to adopt the necessary measures to provide the requisite outlets. I have not yet heard whether this has been done. The Superintending Engineers have, however, been again written to, and their replies shall be submitted to Government.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Acting Consgr. Engr. for Railways.

No. 484.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd April 1866, No. 1,262.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 66.

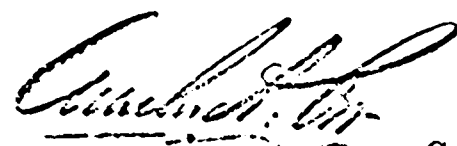
1. The Government will await the receipt of the reports of the Superintending Engineers of the 3rd and 4th

Divisions on the measures which they have adopted for strengthening the bunds of Government tanks bordering the North-West Line of Railway and providing them with calingulabs.

2. The papers above read will be communicated to the Superintending Engineers in continuation of G. O. No. 1,733, dated 22nd June 1865, and their particular attention will be again drawn to the necessity of their taking immediate steps for placing in proper repair all Government tanks from which damage to the Railways can possibly arise, and for providing them with suitable calingulabs.

3. The attention of the Revenue Department will also be requested to these papers, with a view to the Collector of North Arcot being requested to exercise any personal influence he may possess over the Zemindar of Oavetnuggur, and induce the latter to improve the general condition of his tanks and their embankments.

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

- .. Superintending Engineers (1st and 2nd Divisions excepted).
- .. Revenue Department.

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