

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. <i>1404</i>	<u>Press</u> <u>Mis.</u>
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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th June 1866.

No. 236. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Public Works Department :—

Referring certain correspondence on a question
of levying and collecting assessment for sup-
plying the Town and Cantonment of Masuli-
patam with fresh water from the Kistna. } (Here enter 6th June 1866, No. 1,781.)

No. 237. ORDER THEREON, 11th June 1866, No. 1,404.

Local Funds, No. 6.

Civil Works.

Forwarded to the Revenue Board for their opinion,
after consultation with the Collector, as to the rate to
be levied.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 1,781.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th June 1866.*

No. 103. Read the following letter from the Collector of the Kistna District, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Masulipatam, 16th May 1866, No. 17:—

1. In forwarding the accompanying letter and enclosures from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, for the favorable consideration of Government, I have the honor to state that the extension of the conduits, proposed by Colonel Winscom, will be highly beneficial to the town. The rate proposed to be levied, however, seems to me to be too high, as a large majority of the houses in the town are very small, and their owners poor.

2. The rate proposed by Colonel Winscom would clear the entire cost in three years, and then return a very heavy profit to Government, which I do not think was contemplated by the Government when the works were sanctioned.

3. The Towns' Improvement Act will, I conceive, be shortly introduced, and any charge the Government might think fit for the water supplied to the town might then be made.

4. I think it would be perfectly just to levy such a sum as water rate as would cover the cost of maintaining the entire works, and provide a fair interest on the sums already sanctioned, while provision should be made for repaying the principal to be expended on any future undertakings.

From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Masulipatam, 27th April 1866, No. 171.

5 Survey plans.
1 Plan of Reservoir.
1 Transverse section of Conduit.
3 Estimates.
1 Specification.

1. With reference to G. O. No. 3,620, dated 20th November 1865, I have the honor to forward plans and documents as per margin, relative to the extension of conduits for the

Kistna water, within the Town and Cantonment of Masulipatam, prepared under my instructions by Captain Hunter, R. E., Executive Engineer, on surveys made by Overseer G. Venkut Row.

2. The water in the wells of Masulipatam has since the cyclone remained brackish, and is not fit for drinking purposes. The Kistna water which has been supplied to the inhabitants has been a source of great comfort, and there can be no doubt has prevented much sickness.

3. The inhabitants have subscribed about Rupees 5,750 for the Centre Reservoir in Robertsonpet, and the work will be commenced, on a plan approved by me, as soon as the canals are re-opened and stone can be obtained.

4. The wealth of the inhabitants of this town is, as a rule, small, after the disasters of the cyclone, and it would probably not be expedient to charge any sum for the water supplied them for the next year, or longer, but eventually they might fairly be called on to pay for the great benefits these conduits afford, and if so, reckoning the houses to be 7,000 in number, and that each house-owner pays 3 Rupees per annum, the whole cost of the project would be recovered within three years, and afterwards there would be

Part I.	Rs.
Part II.	14,000
Part III, now submitted.	15,710
	18,650
	43,360

a return of 43.42 per cent. upon the outlay, or, as in Kurnool, it might be sold to the Municipality at so much the cubic yard.

5. Should Government approve of the project and estimates now forwarded, I would trust that 7,000 Rupees may be granted for the execution of the work, during 1866-67, from the Reserve.

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6th June 1866.

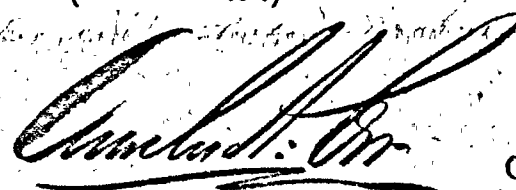
No. 110. ORDER THEREON, 6th June 1866, No. 1,781.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 20.

1. The Government approve of the estimate of Rupees 18,650 submitted with these papers for certain extensions of the works which have been undertaken for supplying the Town and Cantonment of Masulipatam with fresh water from the Kistna, and they resolve to grant a sum of Rupees 7,000 from the Reserve under "Miscellaneous Public Improvements," in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India.

2. Considering the great benefits which the inhabitants of Masulipatam will derive from a wholesome and abundant supply of water being brought into the town for their use, His Lordship in Council is of opinion that they may fairly be assessed at once to a moderate amount. The papers above read will accordingly be referred to the Revenue Department, where the questions of the rate to be levied, and the mode of collecting it, will be considered.

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, with nine Enclosures.

- „ Collector of Kistna.
- „ Revenue Department.
- „ Controller of Public Works Accounts.
- „ Accountant General.

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