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No. 9. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th July 1866, No. 4,985.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Kurnool, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 28th May 1866, No. 122:—

1. I have the honor to submit the usual report on the progress of public works in this District for the official year 1865-66.

2. The accompanying Statement shows the expenditure:—

Imperial.

	New Works.			Repairs.			Total.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Agricultural works	2,733	15	0	14,932	14	11	17,666	13	11
Communications...	7,578	4	9	39,734	13	3	47,313	2	0
Buildings...	11,185	5	11	1,378	15	6	12,564	5	5
Total...	21,497	9	8	56,046	11	8	77,544	5	4

Income Tax.

Communications.—New works, Rupees 594.

Local Funds (District Road and Educational).

	New Works.			Repairs.			Total.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Communications	11,579	0	0	1,299	15	11	12,878	15	11
Buildings...	3,560	0	0	...	...	...	3,560	0	0
Total...	15,139	0	0	1,299	15	11	16,438	15	11

3. The principal new works are the road from Nundial to the Cuddapah frontier, the Nundiganama ghât levelling the ramparts of the Fort at Kurnool, and enlarging the Nundikotkur and Ramalakotah Talook Cutcherries.

4. On the Nundial and Cuddapah road there was an expenditure of Rupees 7,246-11-0 during the year under review. This work has been delayed owing to the suspension of the Supervisor in charge of the Range; and apparently owing to the same cause, the sums of Rupees 1,160 and Rupees 350, sanctioned, respectively, for the construction of a Post Office and Range Office at Nundial, were unexpended.

5. On the Nundiganama ghât, Rupees 154 were expended in completing the east wing wall of the viaduct across the ravine near Ragoomanoogoomtah. The amount of the estimate is expended, but the works are not completed. A supplemental estimate is under preparation.

6. The levelling of the old ramparts of the Fort at Kurnool has been carried out most expeditiously, and is a great boon to the inhabitants, who enjoy a much freer circulation of air now than formerly. This work was only commenced about two months ago, and is now reported complete. The expenditure on it during the year was Rupees 7,795-8-5.

7. Rupees 2,545-11-6 were expended on enlarging the Talook Cutcherries at Nundikotkur and Ramalakotah, and the work is reported to have been completed in an efficient manner.

8. I concur with my predecessor* in thinking that the allotment for repairs to agricultural works is very inadequate. There was an expenditure of Rupees 14,932-14-11 under this head; but notwithstanding this, a great many tanks, especially in the Sirwell and Nundikotkur Talooks, were, at the end of the official year, reported as being in a dangerous state. In his letter, dated 20th December 1865, entered in the Proceedings of Government, Public Works Department, dated 15th January 1866, Major Flint estimated that it would cost Rupees 20,000, or Rupees 25,000, to repair twelve tanks in the Nundikotkur Talook alone. Rupees 20,500 only have been allotted for the entire District for the current year.

* Vide his letter in Board's Proceedings, dated 19th July 1865, No. 4,158.

9. I have not yet had an opportunity of inspecting the communications in the Nundial and Cumbum ranges, but those which I have gone over in the Kurnool range are superior to any I have ever seen in the country. I quite concur with Mr. Minchin in thinking that Major Flint deserves every credit for the pains he has bestowed on, and the state of perfection to which he has brought the roads in his range.

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1. Ordered that the foregoing report be submitted for the information of Government.

2. The statement appended to paragraph 2 is imperfect. The Acting Collector should have given the estimated expenditure under each head, to enable the Board to see, at a glance, how far the Budget provision had been availed of, or how far it had been exceeded, as well in each case as in the total.

3. The Board do not understand why a substitute was not appointed to take the place of the Range Supervisor in consequence of whose suspension, it is stated, the Nundial and Cuddapah road and other works were delayed.

4. The Board are glad to learn that the levelling of the old Fort ramparts at Kurnool was beneficial to the inhabitants, and that the work itself was rapidly executed. They also notice with satisfaction the Acting Collector's testimony to the superior condition of the communications in the Kurnool range.

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, 1st August 1866, No. 1,915.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

H H Sakull
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
" the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" the Collector of Kurnool.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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