

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 566

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
5th March 1866.*

No. 74. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Public Works Department:—

Replying to a reference from the Supreme
Government respecting improvements to
Madras Canals, and carrying the income } (Here enter 23rd February 1866, No. 643.)
therefrom to Local Funds.

No. 75. ORDER THEREON, 5th March 1866, No. 566.

Local Funds, No. 8.
Account.

1. Ordered to be communicated to
the Board of Revenue and Accountant
General.

2. The Accountant General will transfer to the Local Fund (District Road)
of Madras the proceeds of the tolls and licenses collected on the Canals referred
to for 1865-66, and report the amount without delay in view to measures being
taken at once to carry out the intentions of the Supreme Government.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, .

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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

No. 542. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Civil Works—Communications), to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, in the Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 6th December 1865, No. 1,163 C:—

1. Your letter No. 3,177, dated the 23rd October 1865, furnishing information in regard to the amount realized under the system of licensing boats on the Canals in the Madras Presidency, having been laid before the Governor General in Council, I am directed to remark that the returns on the East Coast Canal are very low, and to request that His Excellency the Governor in Council of Madras may be moved to consider, whether it might not be possible to derive a more considerable local income from it. In this view, the question of connecting that portion of the East Coast Canal, known as the Southern or Sadras Canal, with Cochrane's Canal at Madras, and of extending the same line of communication further northwards beyond Dugurazapatam also may be considered.

2. The Governor General in Council would be glad to receive a review of the whole subject of the revenue derived and derivable from these Canals, and if the Madras Government are of opinion that a remunerative scheme can be worked out, the Government of India will, I am to state, be prepared to consider it, and any proposals for providing funds for the necessary improvements or extensions of the works.

3. The question of making the existing works pay as far as possible without extension, should also be considered.

4. Whatever net income can be derived from these Canals, after paying for repairs and maintenance, should go to form a Local Fund for improving and extending similar works.

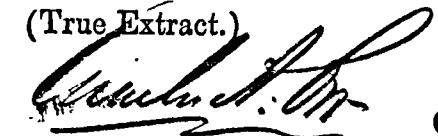
No. 543. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1866, No. 643.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 70.

Ordered that the following letter
be sent:—

(Here enter No. 644, dated 23rd February 1866.)

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Revenue Department, with copy of letter to Government of India.

„ Superintending Engineer, 4th Division with do.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts, with do.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 644

To

SIR

1. In acknowledging your letter No. 1,163 C of the 6th December 1865, on the subject of the income

2. This, the northern, portion of the Canal has always been a highly remunerative work, as was pointed out in the letter from this Government to the Government of India in the Revenue Department, No. 2,110 of the 17th November 1864, in which application was made for the transfer of the Canal with its net revenues to the Madras Local Funds, and this Government have no reason to doubt that if the Southern, or Sadras Canal, instead of terminating some four miles to the southward of the Town, could be brought into it, as Cochrane's Canal is, and were connected with the latter, the former would speedily become sufficiently profitable; while the entire line of navigation, especially when extended twenty miles further northwards to Kistnapatam, would become a most useful and highly productive work. Schemes for effecting the junction of the Canals, and for carrying out the

* From Govt. of India, 14th Nov. 1859, No. 7,868.
 Do. do. 15th March 1864, „ 1,239.
 Do. do. 13th July „ „ 4796-3169.

northern extension to Kistnapatam have been approved both by this Government and by the Government of India,* but the difficulty of providing funds, as well as of obtaining possession of the valuable lands through which the junction cutting would have to be made, has caused the postponement of that work, and has led to further investigation of the proper direction in which it should be carried. These investigations are now being made, and meanwhile the Kistnapatam extension is held in abeyance for want of money.

2. Both works are however

3. Both works are, however, more urgently required than ever, not only to complete a most important line of communication so far as to make it, as a whole,

without delay in view

remunerative, but also to provide the much required means of supplying the population of Madras at a cheaper rate than is now possible with the necessities of life;

G. O. 20th Sept. 1859, Nos. 44 to 47.

Do. 27th do. " " 63, 64.

From Govt. of India, 14th Nov. 1859, No. 7,868.

To do. do. 18th Jan. 1861, " 188.

From do. do. 15th March " " 1,239.

From do. do. 13th July " " 479c-3167.

and, in now forwarding the papers,

as per margin, relating to this subject, I am instructed to say that,

seeing how inadequate are the general Public Works assignments which

are made to this Presidency, this

Government gladly accept the charge of these Canals as a Local Fund work,

looking confidently to being able to make them amply remunerative.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Rev. Dept. 4

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 5th March 1866.

Read the following L^{tr}
of the Madras Govt in the G. M.
Department.

Replying to a reference
from the Supreme Govt respect-
ing improvements to Madras Canals
and carrying the income therefrom
to Local Funds.

(Here enter 23rd Feb. 1866)
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Ordered to be com-
municated to the Bd^{rs}
of Rev^{ue} and Account-
ant General.

The Acct^{ts} Genl^l
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Local Fund (District
Road) of Madras the
proceeds of the Tolls
and licenses collected
on the Canals referred
to for 1865/6 - and
report the amount
without delay in view
to

MR
JL

W.D.

to measures being taken
at once to carry out the
intentions of the Supl.
Govt.

W. A. L.

14 To the Board of Revenue Desb March
6. The Assistant General S
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Per of the Col. & Co. of Post.
of 5. March 66.

From Contro. of PM.
Account to 5.
15 Aug 1866 Cont. 2610.

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and tolls on Canals.

No 74 1865.