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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2948 Press ~~Mis.~~

723-724

Dated 31-10-1866.

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No. 723. Read the following letter from the Collector of Madura, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Dindigul, 24th October 1866, No. 1,822 :—

1. I have the honor to report that I have been round the Palany Talook, and find the crops in that talook are more backward than in Dindigul. Before the end of September, there had been no rain in most parts of the talook for nine months. However, rain has since fallen abundantly, and the ryots are busily employed in ploughing and sowing their lands, but as the harvest will be late, and as the neighbouring districts are drained of grain, food is likely to remain very dear till after January.

2. There is generally, throughout the talook, sufficient employment for the laboring classes in the different villages; the only place where it is desirable to offer employment to such classes is in the neighbourhood of Palany town, where the laboring classes are rather numerous, and fortunately the means of giving useful work to women and children is at hand at that place.

3. A large bridge is in course of construction over the Shanmooganaddy, one and a half mile from Palany, which is nearly finished, the arches have all been finished, it only remains to put up the parapet walls and to plaster the bridge; but nothing has been provided towards forming the approaches and road-way, so that the bridge is almost useless. I was detained on the bank owing to a flood in the river. I saw a family of Americans in the same state, and a large number of bandies waiting to take grain into Palany. I have, therefore, had an estimate prepared, amounting to Rupees 1,120, for embanking the road-way on each side of the bridge, and which is just the work required for the working classes on the spot. I have set this work going, and large numbers of cooly women and children are being employed on it, and I request the estimate* for the same, herewith, submitted, may be sanctioned.

* Marked A.

4. I also request sanction for the estimates,† herewith enclosed, for repairs to the roads mentioned in paragraph 7 of my letter No. 1,707, dated 9th instant.

† Three, marked B. C. D.

5. As water has been received in them, I have not undertaken repairs to the tanks mentioned in paragraph 8 of the above alluded to letter, and am of opinion that the 3,000 Rupees proposed outlay on roads is sufficient aid for the talook of Dindigul.

No. 724. ORDER THEREON, 31st October 1866, No. 2,948.

Miscellaneous.

The Government sanction the four Estimates submitted, aggregating Rupees 4,120.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Collector of Madura.
,, the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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31st Octr 1906.

To the Collr of Madura, Secy to Govt
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To The Collector of
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The Secretary to Govt
Madras
Dated 24th October 1866
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No 1822
Enclosure to Genl. & Wks

Reporting upon the
State of the Season in
Palany Taluq & submit-
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Government Estimates
for repairs to Roads &c
in Palany & Dindigul
Taluqs

With Order R
No 2948. 31st October
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I have the honor to be,

Sir

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Collector