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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 543. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd July 1867, No. 4,621.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of South Canara, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mangalore, 26th June 1867, No. 115:—

1. With reference to the Board's Standing Circular, dated 16th November 1865, No. LXXXV, calling for an annual report on the improvements of Salt roads in the district, I have the honour to state, for their information, that no such works were carried out during the past year, the proposed roads not having received the sanction of Government, and not having been included in the Revenue Budget.

2. The roads so proposed and submitted for sanction, through the Superintending Engineer, in November 1865, are shewn in the margin.* As stated by Mr. Whiteside in his letter,† dated 13th ultimo, No. 84, paragraph 6, it is not known whether they are included in the allotment of 20,000 Rupees to be found in the Salt Budget of the current year. The Board have already addressed Government on the subject.‡ On obtaining this information, I will lose no time in requesting the Superintending Engineer to procure for me the necessary sanction.

* Road from Chelanmacky to Neralkutta on the one side, and Yellur on the other	3,600
Do. from Mabukal Koty to river on the one side, and to the Brahmawar high road on the other	400
Do. from Basroor to Koteshwar ...	1,600
Do. from Arabet Kolies to do. and Kundapur road	1,000
Total...	6,600

† Board's Pross., 13th June 1867, No. 3,622.
‡ Proceedings above quoted.

3. I observe (in a communication from the Accountant General) that the total allotment in the Budget to the amount of Rupees 39,425 for the current year, has been reduced to Rupees 19,712 in Proceedings of the Board, dated 27th ultimo, No. 3,259, which have not as yet reached this Office. Till they do, I am not in a position to know whether the proposed roads are retained in the reduced list or struck out.

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1. Submitted for the information and orders of Government.

2. The Board are of opinion that these works should be taken in hand as soon as possible.

No. 544. ORDER THEREON, 29th July 1867, No. 1,716.

Separate Revenue, No. 31.

Salt.

The Board have the Salt Works Budget before them for revision, and I can themselves ascertain from the Superintending Engineer whether the roads in question were included in the works for which he made provision, and if not, can consider whether the necessary funds can be provided in the course of their revision of the items.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Public Works Department.
Exd. S. T. Augustin.