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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
6th August 1867.

No. 93. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department :—

Communicating to Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, Board's Proceedings on report on Public Works executed in Vizagapatam District during 1866-67. } (Here enter 3rd August 1867, No. 2,355.)

No. 94. ORDER THEREON, 6th August 1867, No. 1,804.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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	Some of these lines are finished and available for traffic.	
C.	*Through Lieutenant Smith, Assistant Agent, Jeypore,* who reports	14,334
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1. Resolved that the foregoing letter be submitted for the information of Government.

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