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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 18th April 1868.

No. 399. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th March 1868, No. 2,232.

Read the following letters:—

From the Acting Collector of Trichinopoly, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 25th October 1867, No. 300.

1. Adverting to paragraphs 10, 11, and 19 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd August, and in continuation of my letter No. 268, dated 7th instant, I have the honor to state that the Superintending Engineer has informed me that provision has been made, in the ensuing year's Imperial Budget, for refunding the amount advanced from Local Funds on account of the road from Trichinopoly to Salem *viâ* Torriore.

2. With regard to the ten per cent. allowance, I beg to draw the attention of the Board to the marginal correspondence. In their Proceedings, No. 370, dated 12th February 1866, Revenue Department, the Government provisionally sanctioned an outlay of Rupees 10,000 from the District Road Fund on account of the [illegible] work for 1865-66, but the amount actually spent in that year was only Rupees 399. In calculating the ten per cent. allowance for 1865-66, the Accountant General committed an error in charging 1,000 Rupees on *this* work on account of superintendence, and we have by this mistake unfortunately lost this sum, as in the Board's Proceedings, No. 3,593, dated 12th June 1867, it was declared too late to make any adjustment.

Board's Proceedings, 1st April 1867, No. 2,063.
Do. do. 20th May ,, ,, 3,110.
Do. do. 12th June ,, ,, 3,593.

3. A similar error was committed by the same officer in calculating the ten per cent. allowance for the last year 1866-67. I will address the Board separately on the subject.

4. The Superintending Engineer states that Rupees 900 may equitably be claimed from the Imperial Treasury on account of the greater protection afforded to the river bank by the formation of the marginal road. The sum is small, but I am not prepared to dispute the grounds assigned by Captain Oakes.

Road along the Coleroon bank from the Lower Anicut to the road between Woodiarpollium and Jeyencondasholapoorum.

5. The large road map called for in paragraph 19 is herein enclosed. On further consideration, and after consultation with the Superintending Engineer, I beg to suggest that the works mentioned in the margin, be added to the list of Imperial roads proposed by the Board, and that the road from Trichinopoly to Salem *viâ* Torriore, be transferred to Local Funds as the Imperial Revenue can hardly be taxed with the maintenance

1. Trunk Road to Salem *viâ* Museri and Tottiem.
2. Do. to Caroor.
3. Do. from Trichinopoly to Trunk Road No. IX. *viâ* Callagoody and Jeyencondasholapoorum.

of two different lines of communication between the same two places. My scheme compared with that of the Board's stands as follows:—

Board's scheme.	*Collector's scheme.*
1. Trunk Road No. 8 to Madras.	1. Trunk Road No. 8 to Madras.
2. Do. to Salem *viâ* Torriore.	2. Do. to Salem *viâ* Museri and Tottiem.
3. Do. from Trichinopoly to Madura.	3. Do. to Caroor.
4. Do. from do. to Dindigul.	4. Do. from Trichinopoly to the Trunk Road No. IX. *viâ* Callagoody and Jeyencondasholapoorum.
5. Do. from do. to Tanjore.	5. Do. from do. to Madura.
	6. Do. from do. to Dindigul.
	7. Do. from do. to Tanjore.

6. The result of my proposal would, therefore, be that the maintenance of the undermentioned roads, hitherto maintained under the head of Minor Repairs from Imperial Funds, should be transferred to Local Funds.

		Rs.
1.	Road from Trichinopoly to Salem *viâ* Torriore, grant already sanctioned.—*Vide* G. O., Nos. 19 and 1,477, dated respectively 5th January and 20th May 1864	2,200
	Further grant required for the next year when the road is completed	2,000
2.	Do. from do. to Combaconum	1,080
3.	Do. from do. to Circarpolliem	315
4.	Do. from do. to Vyaloor	180
5.	Do. from do. to Poodoocottah	400
6.	Do. from Tirmalvady to Coolamanikiam	180
		6,355

7. I have provided for the above works in Part II. of my Local Fund Budget for the next year. The roads already completed, in progress, and proposed, would cost annually some Rupees 13,500. Thus the maintenance allowance alone would absorb nearly one-third of our available resources under that Fund, and the remaining two-thirds would, in my opinion, be necessarily required to meet the future requirements of the district.

8. In fact, it is the opinion of Captain Oakes and myself, that if a larger proportion of our District Road Fund be diverted to the repairs of roads hitherto maintained from Imperial Funds, our Railway feeders and other important district lines, now being undertaken, will be starved, and eventually will have to be completed from Imperial Funds. There will never be any difficulty, on revision of the question hereafter in transferring maintenance grants from Imperial to Local Funds; but it will not be so easy to reverse such transfers now that the Supreme Government have declared their sanction to be necessary in each instance. Meanwhile, for a good many years to come, there will be most ample occupation in this district for every rupee that the Local Road Fund will yield.

Enclosure No. 1.—Map.

From the same Officer, dated 7th November 1867, No. 317.

In reply to the Board's Proceedings, No. 7,063, dated 30th ultimo, I have the honor to refer them to my letters, as per margin, wherein I have expressed my opinion that the road in question should be considered as an Imperial work. Captain Oakes also is of the same opinion, and our reasons are fully explained in the concluding paragraph of my letter, No. 300.

Paragraph 3 of letter, No. 152, dated 20th June 1867.
Paragraph 5 of letter, No. 300, dated 20th October 1867.

1. The first of the foregoing letters is in reply to paragraph 19 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 22nd August 1867, No. 5,453, reviewing the Trichinopoly Revised District Road Fund Budget for the current official year.

2. The Acting Collector states that he learns from the Superintending Engineer that provision has been made, in the ensuing year's Public Works Budget, for refunding the amounts advanced from Local Funds for the road from Trichinopoly to Salem *viâ* Torriore. The Board observe that the provision in that Budget is only Rupees 5,000; whereas the total amount allotted, including the actual expenditure incurred during the past two years, amounts to Rupees 11,290, as shewn in the margin. The Acting Collector is requested to report further on the matter.

	Rs.
Expenditure in 1865-66	400
Do. 1866-67	4,000
Allotment for 1867-68	6,890
	11,290

3. As regards the recovery of the ten per cent. allowance charged on the amount advanced from the District Road Fund for the work above alluded to as a loan to the Imperial Funds, it is observed that the subject has been referred to the Controller of Public Works Accounts in the Board's Proceedings, dated 21st January 1868, No. 464, whose reply has just been received, and will be disposed of separately.

4. Adverting to paragraph 4 of the Collector's first letter, the Board resolve to request Government to issue orders to the Superintending Engineer of the Division, to contribute from Imperial Funds the sum of Rupees 900, which, he states, may equitably be claimed from the Imperial Treasury as grant-in-aid, in consideration of the greater security afforded to the river bank by the formation of the road along the Coleroon from the Lower Anicut to the road between Woodiarpollium and Jeyencondasholapoorum, at an estimated cost of Rupees 10,100.

5. In paragraph 5 of the first letter, the Acting Collector suggests that the works marginally described be added to the list of Imperial roads proposed by the Board in paragraph 19 of their Proceedings above adverted to. The Board are of opinion that only the first two can be treated as Imperial lines, and that the completion and maintenance of all other lines in the district should devolve on the Road Fund, and they resolve to direct that the sum of Rupees 4,200, inadvertently provided in the ensuing year's Road Fund Budget, for the maintenance of the road from Trichinopoly to the Salem frontier *viâ* Torriore, be struck out, leaving it to the Public Works Department to provide funds for it. The line [illegible] should be treated as local, as the Railway runs parallel to it.

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2. Do. from Trichinopoly to Trunk Road No. IX., *viâ* Callagoody and Jeyencondasholapoorum.
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6. The Board quite agree in the opinion expressed in the concluding paragraph of the first letter, concurred in by the Superintending Engineer, to the effect that, for a good many years to come, there will be ample occupation in the district for every rupee that the Road Fund will yield, and that if a larger proportion of this fund be diverted to the repairs of the roads maintained from Imperial Funds, the several Railway feeders and other important local lines, now being undertaken, will have to be postponed for an indefinite time.

7. The second letter above recorded is a reply to the endorsement of Government, dated 9th October 1867, on a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, regarding the transfer of the road from Trichinopoly to join Trunk Road No. IX. *viâ* Callagoody, Keelapolur, and Woodiarpollium from the Imperial to the Local lines. From the above remarks, it will be seen that this road, in the Board's opinion, should be treated as an Imperial line.

No. 400. ORDER THEREON, 18th April 1868, No. 1,031.

Miscellaneous.

1. Paragraph 4 of the Board's Proceedings will be referred to the Department Public Works for disposal.

2. The Government deem it necessary to bring this constantly recurring discussion as to the chargeability of roads to Imperial or Local Funds to a definite conclusion, and therefore resolve to direct that the Superintending Engineers and Collectors of Districts shall, without delay, prepare, in communication with one another, a list for each district of all the roads, the formation, repair, or maintenance of which shall hereafter be charged to Imperial Funds, with the understanding that all other road-work must be provided for from Local Funds. It will be open to them to provide in particular cases that the road shall be put in order from Imperial Funds before transfer of charge, or to propose that a line be made from Imperial Funds and transferred to Local Funds for maintenance, but in these cases they will briefly state the reasons for their recommendations.

3. The Superintending Engineer will forward one copy of the list direct to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works. The Collector will forward a second copy to Government in the Revenue Department through the Board, who will submit it with their remarks.

4. The Superintending Engineer and the Collector will be at liberty to add at the end of their respective lists, and under a distinct heading, any recommendations in which they may fail to secure the concurrence of their colleague. The Government will finally decide what roads shall be retained and on what terms.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Department Public Works.
,, all Superintending Engineers.
,, all Collectors.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

No 976

Supt Engr's Office 6th Divn
Tanjore 5 October 67.

From,
Captain R. St Clarke
Supt Engineer 6th Divn

To,
Colonel C. M. Carr RE
Secretary to Government
P. W. Dept

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the 6 miles of the Road from Trichinopoly to join Road No 9 viâ Callagoody, Keelapolur & Woodiarpollium, in the Perumbalur Taluq were completed last year & 3 miles in the Woodiarpollium Taluq — 3 miles more will be completed within the current official year making 14 in all. Each of Callagoody & Keelapolur is for the Road metal & Woodiarpollium for the Gravel. The Gravel for 1864 & a similar number of miles required for the Road East of Keelapolur

I am not prepared to state what will be the number of Rupees required for this Road daily but from my own knowledge I should probably not much exceed the number which is proportion the Completed portion

portion, which is stated to have been 267 daily in 1863 & is probably considerably higher now.

Provision is made in the Budget of 68-69 for the maintenance of the 14 miles of the Road adverted to above at Rs. 120 per mile in anticipation of sanction.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obdt Servt
[illegible] Capt R.E.
Supt Engineer 6th Div.

Received 23rd May 1868
Revenue Dept. No. 2686.

Referred to the Revenue Dept. The accompanying statement explains the necessity of the work, which is practically a local one, and, if the opinion of the undersigned be entertained, the Road should be maintained from Local Funds.

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Secretary.

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[illegible]
Secretary.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
,, the Acting Collector of Trichinopoly.
,, the Superintending Engineer, Sixth Division.
,, the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. J. Wright.

funds to a definite conclusion.

Revenue Department.

No. 1231

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 17th April 1868.

Submitting letter from Collr of Trichinopoly, requesting that orders may be issued to Superintending Engineer to contribute from Imperial Funds Rupees 900 in consideration of the greater security afforded to the river bank by formation of road along Coleroon from lower anicut to road between Woodiarpolliem & Jeyacondasbolapoorum in Trichinopoly District.

Read letter from Board of Revenue

Proceedings of Board of Revenue

Dated 27th March 1868.

Read letter from Collector of Trichinopoly

Proceedings of Board of Revenue

Dated 27th March 1868.

Resolved that Collr be informed that he may be expected to contribute Rupees 900 as proposed

To Board of Revenue

To Collector of Trichinopoly

Revenue Department

No. 1077.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 27th March 1868.

No. 2,232.

Submitting letter from Collector of Trichinopoly, and requesting that orders may be issued to Superintending Engineer to contribute from Imperial Funds Rupees 900 in consideration of the greater security afforded to the river bank by formation of road along Coleroon from lower anicut to road between Woodiarpolliem and Jeyacondasbolapoorum in Trichinopoly District.

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Proceedings of Board of Revenue

Dated 27th March 1868.

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To Board of Revenue

To Collector of Trichinopoly

Conclusion: & therefore
resolve to direct that
the Supg Engrs and
Coll.rs of Districts
shall, without delay,
prepare in connexion,
with one
another, a list for
each District of all
the roads, the formation,
repair or maintenance
of which shall
hereafter be charged
to Imperial funds,
with the understanding
that of such Road
as must be
used for purposes
other than
Imperial purposes
only that portion
shall be
charged to Imperial funds
which may be
required for
Imperial purposes
and that in
all cases where
the road

shall be put in order
from Impl. funds
before transfer of
charge or to prepare
that a claim be made
from Impl. funds
and transferred to
Local funds for
maintenance, but
in these cases they will
briefly state the reasons
for their recommendns

The Supg. Engrs
will forward one
copy of the list directed
to the Secy. to Govt.
Dept. & to the Coll.rs will
forward
copy to Govt. direct
Rev. Dept. not less
Bs who will submit
it with their remarks

The Supg Engrs &
the Coll.rs will be at
liberty

liberty to add at the
end of their respective
Letters under a
distinct heading
any recommendations
on which they may
fail to receive
the concurrence of
their Colleagues. The
Court will finally
decide what points
shall be retained
& on what terms.

L. B.

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