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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th June 1868.

No. 180. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd May 1868, No. 3,834:—

Read the following letter from the Collector of South Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Circuit Cutcherry at Trikalore, 19th April 1868, No. 92.

1. With reference to the accompanying copy of two letters* from the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Division, enclosing a plan and estimate, with other enclosures, for constructing a road from Trinomalay to the boundary of the Villapuram Talook at Vettavalum, I have the honor to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained to the project, costing as it will Rupees 16,000.

* Dated 10th March 1868, No. 255.
„ 27th „ „ „ 270.

2. As stated by the Range Officer in his specification of the work, the object in constructing this road is to complete the line from the Cusbah of Trinomalay to the Cusbah of Villapuram, and on to the coast, and opening out the villages of Keenathoor, Reddypolliem, Parachery, Reeranoor, Konaloor, Valandal, Villy shed, Ahoor and Vettavalum, which are now entirely shut out from all communication with any of the trunk lines of road.

3. The work is not included in the Local Fund Budget for the current year; but provision will be made for it in the list of incomplete works, called for in paragraph 8 of the Proceedings of the Board, dated 16th ultimo, No. 1,897.

P. S.—This work is one of those urged by Mr. Robinson in his report to Government of the 7th March 1868, No. 1,154.

From the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, to the Collector of South Arcot, dated Cuddalore, 10th March 1868, No. 255.

1. With reference to your letter of the 28th of November 1867, No. 189, I have the honor to forward an estimate of Rupees 16,000, accompanied by a survey for constructing a road from Trinomalay to Villapuram *viâ* Vettavalum, as far as the boundary of the Trinomalay Talook.

1 Estimate.
1 Survey.
1 Traffic Statement.
1 Specification.

2. The estimate provides for completely forming the road, building tunnels over the small irrigation and drainage channels, and gravelling those portions where the soil is bad. The work will probably take two years to complete. The road is intended to follow the old cart-track from Trinomalay to Vettavalum, but a new line will be taken between the latter place and the talook boundary.

3. The cost of the portion of the road in the Vettavalum Zemindary will be 2,000 Rupees. The Zemindar of Vettavalum offers to give up all the land required for the road without compensation, and Mr. Graham recommends that this offer be accepted, instead of recovering part of the cost of the road from the Zemindar, in which case compensation for land might be demanded by him.

4. The traffic on this road is inconsiderable at present, but this is not to be wondered at, as not a single Rupee has ever been laid out on it. A glance at the map will shew the importance of the road, and of its continuation as far as Villapuram. It passes through a portion of the district at present without any roads, and in consequence but little visited by the officers of any department. When made, it will connect two Cusbahs, and give easy access to a large number of villages.

5. The portion in the Villapuram Talook has been in progress for the last three years. There are allotments in the next official year's Budget for the portions in both talooks not sufficient to complete the road, but to mark it by channels, and make some repairs. The estimate now submitted will, I suppose, have to be postponed for a year.

From the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, to the Collector of South Arcot, dated Tindivanum, 27th March 1868, No. 270.

1. In returning the estimate, with its accompaniments, for constructing a road from Trinomalay to the Villapuram Talook boundary *viâ* Vettavalum, which accompanied your letter, No. 45, of the 13th instant, I have the honor to inform you that it should be submitted for the sanction of Government through the Board of Revenue, and moreover, the work cannot be put in hand before the estimate has been sanctioned, and funds for the same regularly placed at the disposal of this department.

1 Survey.
1 Abstract Estimate of Rupees 16,000.
1 Specification.
1 Traffic Return.
1 Arzi of the Vettavalum Zemindar.

2. There is no provision made for this road in the ensuing year's Budget of new works, and the amount allotted under the head of Repairs will only be sufficient for marking it out.

Enclosure No. 3.—Survey.

Enclosure No. 4.—Estimate.

Enclosure No. 5.—Specification.

Enclosure No. 6.—Traffic Return.

Enclosure No. 7.—Arzi from Vettavalum Zemindar.

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1. The estimate, amounting to Rupees 16,000, received with the foregoing letter will be submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. The Collector promises to provide for the work in the List of incomplete works already called for by the Board.

No. 181. Order thereon, 8th June 1868, No. 1,594.

Local Funds, No. 7.
Civil Works.

The estimate is sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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No. 3,834.

Submitting for sanction estimate from Collector of South Arcot, amounting to Rupees 15,000, for constructing a road from Trinamalay to boundary of Villapuram Taluk at Vettavalum.

No 1594
The estimate is sanctioned
WR N 8th June/68.
14 Bd Rev Desp'g
21 F.R.N.
6 Audited