

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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22nd June 1868.*

No. 509. • Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th June 1868, No. 4,364.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 28th February 1868, No. 663 :—

1. As three lacs have been allotted in next year's Budget, to be expended on the northern trunk road, I have thought it would be desirable to revive the proposal of providing travellers' bungalows along the new line of road. The Board are aware that the bungalows at Allur, Mavildoruvu, and Ramapatam are situated on the old line of road, which has been completely deserted and is no longer kept in repair throughout. Travellers all journey now by the new line, and there is no bungalow between Nellore and Singaroyakonda, a distance of $56\frac{3}{4}$ miles. In Government Order, dated 18th November 1865, No. 2,831, when Mr. Dykes before brought the matter forward, the Government considered the erection of the proposed bungalows very desirable, but impossible, as Rupees 11,230 only were allotted for expenditure on travellers' bungalows that year.

2. Mr. Dykes selected Racherlapad, Gavaravaram, and Tettu, as the places where bungalows should be built.

I would select in preference—

Ullavapolliem.....	20 miles from Nellore.
Kavali.....	$13\frac{3}{4}$ miles from Ullavapolliem.
Tettu.....	10 miles from Kavali.

3. I beg to enclose copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer, dated 20th February 1868, No. 141, in which he agrees with me as to the superior advantages of the places I have named.

4. The first bungalow that should be provided is, I think, at Kavali, and here, instead of building a new bungalow, I would prefer to repair and put in order the bungalow at that place built as a private residence by a former Collector, Mr. Whish, which has been entirely deserted for many years and allowed to fall into ruins. The roof of the last room fell in only a few months ago. The walls of the house and godown still stand, and might be well utilized for the purpose of a travellers' bungalow, at a comparatively small cost.

5. If the present travellers' bungalow at Ramapatam is to be sold, the American Mission are anxious to purchase it; but a building is also needed there for the Sub-Collector's Cutcherry. He at present accommodates himself in an old building erected for a school. The bungalows at Mavildoruvu and Allur, if sold, would, I have no doubt, readily find purchasers. The sale of the old buildings would go some way in providing funds for the erection of the new ones.

6. There are two other bungalows in the district built by Mr. Whish; one at Iskapalli is called the Sea Captains' bungalow, because appropriated to the lodging of Sea Captains who call at that port for salt. It has several times been repaired at the expense of Government, but has been neglected for many years. The roofs of several of the rooms have fallen down, and only two are now habitable at all. An estimate has been prepared, to the amount of Rupees 650, for repairing these rooms; but the Superintending Engineer has raised an objection as to whether the bungalow belongs to Government, and whether the cost of repairs should be debited to Salt or Marine. It is not likely that any private claim will ever be advanced on behalf of

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this bungalow, and, as I have stated, repairs have hitherto been executed and debited to Government.

7. There is another bungalow built by Mr. Whish at Devaroyapalli. The roof still stands though some of the tiles are gone; the walls are good and substantial, and the doors and window-frames are still there. Unless taken charge of, and kept in repair, a few years more will entirely complete its ruin.

8. If the Dornal road from Nellore to Cuddapah is made an Imperial line, I would suggest the desirability of building travellers' bungalows on this line also. The stations the Superintending Engineer would select, are Sangam, Nandavaram, and Chunchulur.

From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Acting Collector of Nellore, dated 20th February 1868, No. 141.

1. In reply to your letter, No. 475, dated 15th February 1868, concerning travellers' bungalows on Trunk road No. 6, I have the honor to refer you to Government Order, No. 2,831 of 18th November 1865, in the Revenue Department, wherein Government intimate that there is no probability of providing funds for their construction, as the annual expenditure for the whole Presidency has been restricted to Rupees 11,230.

2. Mr. Dykes selected Racherlapad, Gavaravaram and Tettu as the places at which three bungalows should be built. Racherlapad is in the 122nd mile; Ullavapolliem in the 128th; Gavaravaram in the 135th; Kavali in the 141st; and Tettu in the 152nd mile. Racherlapad and Gavaravaram are both poor, comfortless villages; whilst Ullavapolliem and Kavali are the reverse. The travellers' bungalow at Nellore being close to the 108th mile-stone, Racherlapad would be only fourteen miles distant. Gavaravaram is thirteen miles from Racherlapad, and Tettu seventeen miles from Gavaravaram; on the other hand, Ullavapolliem is twenty miles from Nellore, and Kavali is thirteen miles from Ullavapolliem, and eleven miles from Tettu.

3. Considering that the walls of the bungalow you allude to in the third paragraph of your letter are very substantial, and that Ullavapolliem and Kavali are so greatly superior in every respect, to the miserable villages of Racherlapad and Gavaravaram, (the former especially,) I am of opinion that the sites you have selected should be chosen in preference.

4. It may be a question for Government to decide whether travellers' bungalows may not be included in the estimates for the trunk road.

5. The erection of bungalows along the Dornal road is, doubtless, also a desideratum, though European travellers are few and far between; Sangam, Nandavaram, and Chunchulur should be, I think, the sites selected. A bungalow at Sangam would be of special utility.

1. In November 1865, Mr. Dykes, the Collector, submitted estimates for the erection of certain travellers' bungalows along the new line of Trunk Road No. 6, north of Nellore, from Razupalem to Singaroyakonda. In their Order, dated 18th November 1865, No. 2,831, Revenue Department, the Government considered the bungalows to be very desirable, but did not sanction the estimates for want of funds.

2. Mr. Boswell, the present Acting Collector, revives the subject in the letter above recorded. He states that the bungalows marginally described are situated on the old line of road, which has been completely deserted, and which is not

Allur.
Mavildoruvu.
Ramapatam.

kept in repair, and that all the travellers go now by the new line on which there is not a single bungalow between Nellore and Singaroyakonda, a distance of 56 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles.

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3. Mr. Dykes originally selected Racherlapad, Gavaravaram, and Tettu as the places where bungalows should be built on the new line. Mr. Boswell now names,

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Kavali, 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles from Ullavapolliem;
Tettu, 10 miles from Kavali.

with the approval of the Superintending Engineer, three other* villages in preference on the same line.

4. In paragraph 4 of his letter, the Acting Collector reports that there is an old bungalow at Kavali, formerly the property of Mr. Whish, one of the late Collectors, which can be converted into a travellers' bungalow. The Board are of opinion that the requirements of travellers will be sufficiently met if a bungalow is maintained at this place, and the Collector is, therefore, requested to obtain from the Superintending Engineer an estimate for repairing the building in question, and submit it for the early sanction of the Board, furnishing at the same time a memorandum shewing the amount available for the work from the Bungalow Fund.

5. The Board see no objection to the bungalow at Ramapatam on the old line being converted into a Cutcherry for the Sub-Collector, and to the other two buildings at Allur and Mavildoruvu being sold as proposed by the Collector.

6. The old bungalow at Iskapalli, referred to in paragraph 6 of the Collector's letter, should be repaired, and its cost charged under "Petty Construction and Repair."

7. There is no use in keeping in repair the ruined bungalow at Devaroyapalli, mentioned by the Collector in paragraph 7. The materials can be disposed of and the sale proceeds carried to the credit of Government.

8. In the last paragraph of the letter, the Collector suggests that travellers' bungalows may be built on the Dornal road also; but the Board see no necessity for entertaining this proposal at present.

No. 510.

ORDER THEREON, 22nd June 1868, No. 1,748.

Local Funds, No. 16.

Civil Works.

Communicated to the Department
Public Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Pro 18 June 1868 No 325-6.

Ref.

Pro of the Board of Revenue
of 12 June 1868 No 250

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21 June 1868 To the Hon. Secy. to Govt. of Madras

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Pro. of Govt for Madras

No. 2143.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 12th June 1868.

Decd 17-68
Resd 18-68

Pro. of the Board of Revenue of
4 December 1868 No 3792
with Pro. 10th March 1869 No 899.

No. 4,364.

Submitting with remarks, letter from Collector
of Nellore, proposing to provide Travellers' Bun-
galows along the new line of road, at certain
stations.

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22 June 1868