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No. 411. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th December 1867, No. 8,071.

Read the following letters :—

From the Acting Collector of the Kistna District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 3rd October 1867, No. 362.

1. In reply to paragraph 10 of Government Order, No. 1,403, dated 22nd June 1865, I have the honor to submit the results* of inspection of the various halting places for troops marching through this district.

* Statement sent in a separate packet.

These lie on the following three lines of route :—

(1.) High Road from Bunder to Hyderabad.

(2.) Trunk Road No. VI. from the borders of the Nellore District through Incole, Guntoor, and Bezwada to Ellore.

(3.) Trunk Road No. VII. from the borders of the Nellore District, through Narsarowpet, Nakkerical, Dachapully, and Pondigul on the Palnad bank of the Kistna.

Of these, the first may be, in the present times, regarded as the only important one ; the second may be said, by the construction of the Commamur Channel and Ellore Canal, to be practically abandoned ; it has been formally proposed, (*vide* my letter, No. 310, dated 5th September 1867,) by the Department Public Works to remove it from the list of Imperial Roads : the same may be said of the third, which has earned so bad a name for cholera, that it may be questioned whether it would ever be used for the passage of troops, except under the most pressing necessity. The first line lies partly in the principal, partly in the Head Assistant's Division, and the halting places along it, so far as inspected, have been so by the Head Assistant Mr. Stuart and myself : the second route lies partly in the Sub-Division, partly in the Head Assistant's. Mr. Stuart has reported particularly on one of the sites, and, with regard to the rest, remarks that the existence of the Ellore Canal will practically obviate the use of either that or any other. From the Acting Sub-Collector I have not yet received a report : he has been inspecting them I know, but the recent constant and heavy rains must have prevented him from moving from head-quarters. As I do not think it desirable longer to delay this report, the remarks on the sites on this line, on the Guntoor side from Incole to Seetanagram, (on the Kistna opposite Bezwada,) I shall supply in the enclosed Memorandum from my own recollection. The third route lies wholly within the General Deputy Collector's range ; that Officer has submitted reports received from the Tahsildars of his Division, but does not appear to have personally inspected any of the sites. He has been informed that his report should have been the result of personal examination.

2. As to general suitability for their purpose, Mr. Stuart is of opinion that the sites have been as well selected as the nature of the country permits. The

Deputy Collector offers no remarks. From my own experience, the site at Gudoor, a few miles from Bunder, is the only one that would at all fulfil, in any measure, the requirements of paragraph 3 of the Government Order under notice. It is high, spacious, dry, well drained, and of sandy soil, with an abundant supply of fresh water. The prevailing soil of the greater part of this district—black cotton clay—is not the most favorable for the encampment of large bodies of men. The sites, which bear the name of camping grounds, are generally very limited in extent, and as a consequence, the cultivated ground in their vicinity must be occupied whenever troops in any strength, say a battalion, are to be accommodated.

From the same Officer, dated on circuit, Cutcherry at Guntoor, 16th October 1867, No. 370.

* *Vide* Collector's letter, No. 362, dated 3rd October 1867.

1. I have the honor to enclose* the Inspection Reports of the encamping grounds for troops in this district. These lie on the undernoted routes :—

(1.) Trunk Road No. VI. from Ongole to Parikeed.

(2.) Trunk Road No. VII. from Ongole to Hyderabad through Pondigul on the Palnad bank of the Kistna.

(3.) High Road from Masulipatam to Hyderabad.

(4.) High Road from Guntoor to the Ceded Districts through Vinnuconda and Cumbum.

Of these, the first lies partly in the Sub-Division, partly in the Head Assistant's; the second is wholly within the Deputy Collector's Division; the third is partly in the Principal, partly in the Head Assistant's Division; and the fourth is partly in the Sub, partly in the Deputy Collector's Division.

2. Except in the General Deputy Collector's Division, the sites have been personally inspected by the Officers in charge; the Deputy Collector sends report by his subordinate Tahsildars: he has been informed that the inspection should have been personal.

3. The recent heavy rains have prevented Officers from marching, except with great difficulty; this is the cause of the delay in submitting this report.

Statement shewing the Halting Places for Troops in the Kistna District.

Route.	Halting Stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
1. High Road from Bunder to Hyderabad.	1. Gudur.....	By the Acting Collector.	Soil, sand: space, open and Porumboke: about 30 or 40 acres in extent: dry in rains and well drained: water-supply, wells and Kistna, from which a large tank close by is filled: no river near: examined during rains: excellently adapted for a camp: approaches are different.
	2. Nedumole....		Soil, black cotton: no site reserved: all cultivated: open and dry: water-supply bad in village, but Kistna channel distant less than a mile: examined during rains: has nothing special to recommend it as a site for a camp: approaches, bad in rainy weather.
	3. Pamurru.....		Soil, black cotton: space (a few acres) contained between the village, the Buntumilly and Bunder channels, and Pullairu. Not raised, but dry in rains and drained into the Bunder Canal: all cultivated: water-supply good from Kistna. A small site in a tope also used: examined during rains: did not strike me as a lively place in the rains.
	4. Weyore.....	.....	Not inspected, (the only available ground is, if I remember, cultivated: it is all pure black cotton): approaches are different.
	5. Kunkepad.....	By the Head Assistant Collector.	No river near. Situated to the south-west of the village, about 100 yards distant: open but not raised: good water in a well about 150 yards to the north: approaches by the high road close to which is the ground.
	6 Bezwada	Do.	Situated between the Ellore and Bunder Canals about 300 yards from the Kistna river: open, though rather low: drainage fair: good water obtainable in the canals close by, or if these are closed, from the Kistna river or from a well at the nearest end of the village. The village is about a quarter of a mile to the west south-west.
	7. Ibrampatam ...	Do.	Camping ground about 500 yards north of the Kistna and the village of Ibrampatam, on the south side of the high road: situation open, but low and damp in wet weather: no higher site believed to exist in the neighbourhood: drainage bad: water obtainable from a tank close by: approaches by the high road, which is very bad in wet weather but fair in dry.
	8. Kunchokacherla	Do.	Halting place in and around a tamarind tope east of the village and about 150 yards from it: site open but not raised, the country round being all of one level. Drainage inferior, the soil being black and muddy in wet weather: good water within 300 yards in a large tank: approaches good by high road: no river near.

Statement shewing the Halting Places &c.—(Continued.)

Route.	Halting Stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
1. High road from Bunder to Hyderabad. (*Concld.*)	9. Nandegam.....	By the Head Assistant Collector.	Opposite the public bungalow about 300 yards south of the village, well raised drainage : excellent good water to be got from a well close to the bungalow on the ground : no river in the neighbourhood : approaches excellent.
	10. Jaggiapeta....	Do.	There is no river near this place which lies to the north-east of the town about half a mile off : in and about a tamarind tope it is well raised and open : the drainage is good : good water found in a well close by, south of the road : approach from the east by a local road of three miles joining the Hyderabad road at Chillacul, has been gravelled this year. A bandy track connects Jaggiapeta with Sharemahomedpeta three miles to the north on the Hyderabad road.
	11. Sharemahomedpeta.	Do.	The halting ground is to the north of the bungalow, well situated among some scattered tamarind trees. Drainage good : good water to be obtained from the tank about 500 yards away. The approaches are fair, but there is a small channel to cross ; distance from the high road about 300 yards.
	12. Komarabunda. 13. Munagala..... 14. Madhaveram.	.....	Not yet inspected by the Head Assistant Collector.
2. Trunk road No. VI., from Incole to Parikeed.	1. Incole.....	By the Sub-Collector.	No particular extent defined as an encampment ground, but troops usually occupy the waste land surrounding the travellers' bungalow ; this seems well adapted for the purpose, as it is somewhat elevated and is well drained : approaches good : water-supply from wells and a tank on the ground : the site has one disadvantage : proximity to the village.
	2. Nandipaud...	Do.	About 6 acres : adjoining high road : not a desirable site, as the village is very near : the drainage does not appear to be good, and water-supply is deficient, there being no wells in the village and no good tank : there is, however, a small stream, which would be dry no doubt, in the hot weather.
	3. Parachoor...	Do.	No site defined as an encampment ground, but troops occupy about 6 acres of waste surrounding the bungalow, and on the other side of the road, is a fine tamarind tope : water-supply from wells, and there is a small tank at a distance of about a quarter of a mile : black cotton soil, and does not appear to have any facilities for drainage : too near the village : approaches good.
	3. Prattipad...	Do.	Two sites, one about 16 acres, the other 21 : drainage apparently good : water-supply from wells and a tank : approaches good : too near the village.

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Route.	Halting Stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
2. Trunk road No. VI., from Incole to Parikeed. (*Concld.*)	5. Guntoor.....	By the Sub-Collector.	6 acres, 12 cuntas in extent, of which part is cultivated : not a desirable site in the wet season : water-supply from wells in the bed of the red-tank : approaches good : there is another site which is still nearer the town and is 10 acres in extent : would, as far as drainage is concerned, be better than the first : water from wells ; and the black-tank is at a distance of half a mile.
	6. Mangalageri...	Do.	(On the road from Bezoarah to Guntoor) 5 acres, 5 cuntas : approaches and drainage good : water-supply from wells and tanks : near the village, which seems a disadvantage common to all these camping grounds, not one of which is at a greater distance than about 200 yards from the houses ; but probably on this account they were chosen for convenience of supplies.
	7. Bezwada ... 8. Gunnaderam.	By the Head Assistant Collector.	See above.
	9. Parikeed.....	Do.	No river near : situation high and open : drainage good : good water to be obtained from wells : approaches are good, being close to the road : village about 300 yards to the south.
3. Trunk No. VII. Trunk road.	1. Komalapad.....	By Tahsildar.	No river near : neither raised nor very low : drainage fair : good water to be got from Ellore canal close by, or from a tank about 400 yards distant : approaches good : village about 100 yards north.
Between Ongole and Pondugal.	2. Koparapad.....	Do.	The camping ground is close to the travellers' bungalow. A portion of it is under cultivation.
	3. Rompecherla...	Do.	The encamping ground is vacant.
	4. Nukkarukalloo.	Do.	Do. do.
	5. Pidiguralla.....	Do.	Do. do.
	6. Dachapully.....	Do.	Do. do.
	7. Pondugalla.....	Do.	Do. do.
4. Road from Guntoor to Kumbum.	1. Guntoor.....	.....	See above.
	2. Yabalurpad.....	.....	(On the road from Guntoor to Narasarowpeta) 22 acres, 2 cuntas, including a fine tamarind tope : approaches good : but there do not seem to be any natural facilities for drainage : very near the village.
	3. Satuloor.....		Not inspected.
	4. Valupur.....	Do.	Since a long time Regiments are not halted here.
	5. Vinnukonda....	Do.	There are three places in this village. Two of them are now under cultivation.
	6. Chintalachervu.	Do.	The camping ground is vacant.

(Signed) W. WILSON,
Acting Collector.

GUNTOOR,
16th October 1867.

1. The Board are unable to submit the report to Government in the very imperfect state in which it has been forwarded.

2. The Collector is requested to call upon the Deputy Collector to furnish full reports on the halting places in his Division; those now submitted contain no information whatever.

No. 512. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th July 1868, No. 5,146.

Read Board's Proceedings, dated 14th December 1867, No. 8,071.

Read also the following paper from the Acting Sub-Collector in charge of the Kistna District, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 30th May 1868, No. 170; submitted under Board's Proceedings, No. 8,071, dated 14th December 1867.

Statement shewing the Halting Places for Troops in the Kistna District.

Route.	Halting stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
1. High road from Bunder to Hyderabad.	1. Gudur. ...	By the Acting Collector.	Soil, sand: space, open and Perumboke: about 30 or 40 acres in extent: dry in rains and well drained: water-supply, wells and Kistna, from which a large tank close by is filled: no river near: examined during rains: excellently adapted for a camp: approaches indifferent.
	2. Nedumole...	Do.	Soil, black cotton: no site reserved: all cultivated: open and dry: water-supply bad in village, but Kistna channel distant less than a mile: examined during rains: has nothing special to recommend it as a site for a camp:
	3. Pamurru ...	Do.	Soil, black cotton: space (a few acres) contained between the village, the Buntumilly and Bunder channels, and Pullairu. Not raised, but dry in rains and drained into the Bunder Canal: all cultivated: water-supply good from Kistna. A small site in a tope also used: examined during rains: did not strike me as a lively place in the rains: approaches indifferent.
	4. Weyore ...	By the Head Assistant Collector.	To the west of the bungalow opposite the village rather low, drainage bad: water from a tank near or from wells in the village or from Kistna channel: approach by the high road: no better place near.
	5. Kunkepad...	Do.	No river near. Situated to the south-west of the village, about 100 yards distant: open but not raised: good water in a well about 150 yards to the north: approaches by the high road close to which is the ground.
	6. Bezwada ...	Do.	Situated between the Ellore and Bunder Canals about 300 yards from the Kistna river: open, though rather low: drainage fair: good water obtainable in the canals close by; or if these are closed, from the Kistna river or from a well at the nearest end of the village. The village is about a quarter of a mile to the west south-west.
	7. Ibrampatam.	Do.	Camping ground about 500 yards north of the Kistna and the village of Ibrampatam, on the south side of the high road: situation open, but low and damp in wet weather: no higher site believed to exist in the neighbourhood: drainage bad: water obtainable from a tank close by: approaches by the high road which is very bad in wet weather, but fair in dry.
	8. Cuncheka-cherla.	Do.	Halting place in and around a tamarind tope east of the village and about 150 yards from it: site open but not raised, the country

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Route.	Halting stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
			round being all of one level. Drainage inferior, the soil being black and muddy in wet weather: good water within 300 yards in a large tank: approaches good by high road: no river near.
1. High road from Bunder to Hyderabad.—(*Concld.*)	9. Nyadugunta ...	ant Collector.	Opposite the bungalow and about 500 yards south of the village, well-raised drainage: excellent good water to be got from a well close to the bungalow on the ground: no river in the neighbourhood: approaches excellent.
	10. Jaggiapeta. .	Do.	There is no river near this place, which lies to the north-east of the town about half a mile off: in and about a tamarind tope it is well raised and open: the drainage is good: good water found in a well close by south of the road: approach from the east by a local road of three miles joining Hyderabad road at Chillacul, has been gravelled this year. A bandy-track connects Jaggiapeta with Sharemahomedpeta three miles to the north on the Hyderabad road.
	11. Sharemahomedpeta.	Do.	The halting ground is to the north of the bungalow, well situated among some scattered tamarind trees. Drainage good: good water to be obtained from the tank about 500 yards away. The approaches are fair, but there is a small channel to cross: distance from the high road about 300 yards.
	12. Komarabanda.	Do.	Open and sufficiently high north and west of the bungalow: about 400 yards from the village: drainage fair: water-supply from a tank near the village: approached by the high road.
	13. Moongala ...	Do.	The halting place is to the west of the bungalow on sloping ground: open: drainage good: soil good: lies close to Hyderabad high road about 300 yards from the village, where water is procurable from wells.
	14. Madhavaram	Do.	To the south-west close to the village: soil good open: drainage fair: approached by the high road: water obtained from wells in the village, or from a tank about half a mile away to the east.
2. Trunk Road No. VI. from Incole to Parikeed.	1. Incole... ...	By the Sub-Collector.	No particular extent defined as an encampment ground, but troops usually occupy the waste land surrounding the travellers' bungalow: this seems well adapted for the purpose, as it is somewhat elevated and is well drained: approaches good: water-supply from wells and a tank on the ground: the site has one disadvantage, proximity to the village.
	2. Nandepad. ...	Do.	About six acres: adjoining high road: not a desirable site, as the village is very near: the drainage does not appear to be good, and water-supply is deficient, there being no wells in the village and no good tank: there is, however, a small stream which would be dry, no doubt, in the hot weather.
	3. Paruchoor. ...	Do.	No site defined as an encampment ground, but troops occupy about six acres of waste surrounding the bungalow, and on the other side of the road is a fine tamarind tope: water-supply from wells, and there is a small tank at a distance of about a quarter of a mile: black

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Route.	Halting stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
2. Trunk Road No. VI. from Incole to Parikeed.—*(Concld.)*	4. Prattepad...	By the Sub-Collector.	cotton soil : and does not appear to have any facilities for drainage : too near the village : approaches good.
	5. Guntoor.....	Do.	Two sites : one about [illegible] teen acres, the other twenty-one : drainage apparently good : water-supply from wells and a tank : approaches good : too near the village.
	6. Mangalageri.	Do.	Six acres, twelve cuntas in extent, of which part is cultivated : not a desirable site in the wet season : water-supply from wells in the bed of the red-tank : approaches good : there is another site which is still nearer the town, and is ten acres in extent : would, as far as drainage is concerned, be better than the first : water from wells : and the black-tank is at a distance of half a mile.
	7. Bezwada	By the Head Assistant Collector.	(On the road from Bezwada to Guntoor) five acres, five cuntas : approaches and drainage good : water-supply from wells and tanks : near the village, which seems disadvantage common to all these camping grounds, not one of which is at a greater distance than about 200 yards from the houses ; but probably on this account they were chosen for convenience of supplies.
	8. Gannavaram.	Do.	See above.
	9. Parikeed ...	Do.	No river near : situation high and open : drainage good : good water to be obtained from a well close by : the approaches are good, being close to the road : village about 300 yards to the south.
3. Trunk No. VII, Trunk Road.	1. Komalapad.	By the General Deputy Collector.	No river near : neither raised nor very low : drainage fair : good water to be got from Ellore Canal close by, or from a tank about 400 yards distant : approaches good : village about 100 yards north.
Between Ongole and Pondugal.	2. Kopa[illegible]pad...	Do.	This is a Manavarti village, and there is no land set apart specially as a camping ground. The usual site is the tamarind tope west of the public bungalow : some eighteen or twenty acres in extent : shelter fair : drainage good : water-supply from the tank which adjoins the tope ; and when it is dry, water can be had from two wells in the neighbourhood. A good site. Troops are also said to encamp sometimes in the high ground east of the public bungalow near the Soldiers' shed. It is, however, sometimes cultivated, and there is no shade. I beg to suggest the adoption of the former site as the camping ground permanently. There is no land reserved in the village accounts as a camping ground, but the usual site comprises demarcation No. 259, Acres 1-17 ,, 260, ,, 1- 0 ,, 261, ,, 2-29 Total ... 5-6 Of these, Nos. 259 and 261 are in ryots' occupation and cultivated ; No. 260 is waste : no shelter or shade, but a few avenue trees : water from

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Route.	Halting stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
3. Trunk No. VII. Trunk road, &c. *(Contd.)*			village tank and well in village, about 1 to 200 yards off : drainage good. Demarcation No. 222, area acres 5, cuntas 5, is a tamarind tope close to the village : it has better shelter than the other site, and is waste Porumboke land. Water from the same well and tank as the other site, and though more shady, it is perhaps too close to the village in case of epidemic sickness. The 4th Regiment N. I., the last Regiment with cholera, that passed this way, is stated to have encamped in Demarcation No. 255, area, 20 acres, 18 cuntas : Porumboke land and entered in the accounts as "Minaha." The road runs right through the land, and there is a pretty good tamarind tope for shelter in part : drainage good : water-supply from two wells in the neighbourhood, but they are both private property : about three furlongs north of village. This seems to me the most desirable site of the three, and I would beg to suggest that as it is "Minaha" land it be reserved as the halting ground of the village, and a remark to that effect made in the village accounts.
	3. Rompecherla	By the General Deputy Collector.	[illegible] extent, is reserved as the camping ground of the village. There is no tope or shade, except what the avenue trees afford on one side : a fine open spot, away from the village : drainage good : the water-supply is rather distant, but is the only supply available from the tank and a vagu under it. Troops going south are said generally to halt here. 2. Troops going north generally halt in the high ground north of the tank and vagu referred to, near what is known as the old fort. There is no shade here also, and part of the site is in ryots' occupation and sometimes cultivated. It is a straggling piece of ground, and I would recommend the adoption of the other site as the permanent camping ground of the village for all troops.
	4. Nakarikallu,	Do.	There is no site reserved here as a camping ground. The usual halting place is on the fields on the north side immediately out of the village limits. These fields are in the occupation of several parties : there is no tope, but there are a few scattered trees here and there which, where available, afford good shelter : water-supply good and plentiful from the village wells and also when the tank is full from the irrigating channels under it. On one occasion troops are said to have halted in an open piece of ground, which is waste ; east of the village there is a small stream or vagu close, from which water can be had when the stream is not dry, which for the most part it is. This would be a good camping ground in the wet weather, but at other times the usual place near the village seems to me preferable.

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Route.	Halting stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
3. Trunk No. VII. Trunk Road &c., (*Concluded.*)	5. Piduguralla...	By the General Deputy Collector.	The usual camping ground is in waste land west of the village and above the tank : it adjoins the village and is 44·73 acres in extent, (Demarcation Nos. 205 and 578,) and is shewn in the village accounts as waste : water-supply from the tank, when that is dry, from the village wells : no trees nor shade but what the avenue trees afford : drainage good, but in my opinion, too close to the village. So large an area is unnecessary, but as I have given the Demarcation numbers, the whole area noted in the field register is here entered. The last Regiment with cholera, the 4th M. N. I., encamped in the high Porumboke land around the public bungalow. Part of this land (on the east side of the bungalow) is occupied, but the whole of the west side is waste : it is high and open, drainage good : no shelter : and in the village accounts is shewn as waste on account of the public bungalow and Soldiers' shed, (Demarcation Nos. 228 and 520,) and is 12½ acres in extent. I would suggest its adoption as the permanent camping ground : water must be got from the wells in the village.
	6. Dachapally.	Do.	There is no land set apart here also for a camping ground : the public bungalow which has now been converted into the Talook Cutcherry, Soldiers' shed, and usual halting place for troops, though known as Dachapally, are really in the village limits of Nadikudi, a small village rather more than a mile west of Dachapally. They are, however, close on to the village of Dachapally, which lies on the east, and they on the west bank of the Nagileru, so that there is only this stream between them, and hence their name, though actually in another village lands.
	7. Pondugala.	Do.	The usual camping ground is in the vicinity of the Travellers's bungalow, and is, Demarcation Nos. 70 and 71, altogether 41 acres, 18 cuntas in extent, and noted in the village accounts as rocky and unfit for cultivation : high and open : no shade ; and it is not possible to form a tope here or to find a better camping ground : water supply plentiful from the Nagileru and naturally good, but being a running stream is fouled considerably by the natives, and I should say rendered positively unwholesome. On the banks of the Kistna. There is no separate camping ground, but the usual halting places are the following :— Acres. Cuntas. 1st. Demarcation, No. 258, area 2 28 2nd. { ,, ,, 254 / ,, ,, 255 } 4 11 ,, ,, 252 / ,, ,, 85 } 4 2 3rd. { ,, ,, 251 / ,, ,, 84 / ,, ,, 86 } 7 0 11 2

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Route.	Halting stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
			The first is known as the "Beddarala gedda," that is, the halting place. It is low, and on the Kistna bank, which is particularly steep ; a very awkward place for a camping ground, and ill situated. The second is a tamarind tope, the trees in which are not particularly luxuriant. They are, moreover, close together and will not admit of tents being freely pitched under them. The third site is open, 7 acres are "Sery" or Government land, and the remaining 4 "Inam." It lies to the north and east of the public bungalow and is not level. It is the site usually occupied when the land is not cultivated ; when sown, the other two sites are resorted to. Water from the Kistna is close to all three sites. I can make no suggestion as to the selection of a better site from the nature of the country, and I think the present sites are, under the circumstances, the best that could have been chosen.
4. Road from Guntoor to Kumbam	1. Guntoor.....	By the Acting Sub-Collector.	See above.
	2. Yabalurpad	Do.	(On the road from Guntoor to Narsarowpeta) 22 acres, 2 cuntas, including a fine tamarind tope : approaches good ; but there does not seem to be any natural facilities for drainage : very near the village.
	3. Satulur.	By the General Deputy Collector.	There are two halting places here which adjoin one another, and in case of a large troop, would form one fine camp. Both are about two furlongs west of the village. One, a charity tope, is private property, affords good shade ; 6 acres in extent : water from a tank close by and from three wells in the neighbourhood : water good : drainage good : a fine camping ground. The road runs through the tope. The second is a Government tope 3 acres, 24 cuntas in extent. Not a bad site also, but the former is decidedly preferable. Water-supply the same tank and wells. Other sites are not necessary.
	4. Narsarowpeta.	Do.	The Cusbah station of the talook. There is no ground set apart for camping. The usual sites are, Acres. Cuntas. 1st Demarcation No. 323 area 21 34 2nd. { ,, ,, 414 ,, / ,, ,, 479 ,, } 6 27 These two are known as "Mango gardens," and are claimed by the Ex-Zemindar of Narsarowpeta, and form the subject of correspondence, I believe, with the Board at present. They are the best sites available just now, but if made over to the Zemindar it is probable he will object to their being used as camping grounds ; other sites will then have to be selected. I beg to suggest their being retained, as at present, till the question of the Zemindar's claim is disposed of, when, if necessary, others can be selected, though now I cannot recommend any

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Route.	Halting stages.	By whom inspected.	Remarks.
4. Road from Guntoor to Kumbum—(*Concld.*)			particular site as good. Perhaps it would be better to divide the distance between Satulur and Vilpur more equally, and select a site at Vipparlapalli, dispensing with a camping ground altogether at Narsarowpeta. In the case of the first site, the water-supply is not convenient; the second is better, and there is the Government tank and two wells close. The trees are mostly destroyed, and the shade afforded therefrom not much.
	5. Velpuru ...	By the General Deputy Collector.	There are two sites here. The first Demarcation No. 624, 5 acres, 14 cuntas in extent; a tamarind tope on Government land and unoccupied: open and high: drainage good: trees blighted, and shade scanty: water-supply from tank and well about two or three hundred yards off west side of the village. The second site is about quarter of a mile east of the village: 14·75 acres in extent, low and mostly occupied and cultivated: would not be a good site in the wet weather: water-supply good, from wells not far off: no trees nor shade. I beg to suggest the adoption of the first as the permanent camping ground of the village, dispensing with the second site altogether.
	6. Vinnakonda.	Do.	There is no ground set apart for a site here. The usual halting places are two. One, Demarcation No. 372, is 4¾ acres in extent, and is Battavarty Inam land and private property: there is a well of good water, also private property, and when the land is cultivated cannot be occupied: it is close to the village on the north side, and being a place of resort by the natives, is a dirty disagreeable site. The second is in the vacant ground lying between and around the Talook Cutcherry, the Deputy Collector's Office, and the Christian burial ground. It is a straggling and irregular bit of ground and too close to the village. I beg to suggest the adoption of Demarcation No. 834, 10 acres in extent, as the permanent camping ground of the village. It is fine open land south of the village: good water procurable from the new tank built by the villagers: the drainage channel into this tank passes through this site, but only through one part of it, and the rest of the area would make a fine camping ground: it is entered in the village accounts as "Minaha" land.
	7. Chintalachervu	Do.	There is no separate place here likewise, reserved as a camping ground. Troops used to halt in former year indiscriminately wherever most convenient. Last year the Tahsildar suggested the adoption of Demarcation No. 688 (5·55 acres) and No. 484 (20 acres) as the camping grounds. I think Demarcation Nos. 664 and 665 the best site available. It is waste open ground, 6·7 acres in extent, and unoccupied waste: good drainage and easy of approach:

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			is bounded on the east and south sides partly by a vagu, whence water is procurable, except in the very hot season, when water is scarce generally in that neighbourhood, and will probably have to be got from wells at some distance. I think it to be a very good site for planting a Government tope, and I have called on the Tahsildar for the necessary estimate including cost of sinking a well on account of the tope.

Submitted to Government, with reference to paragraph 10 of the Government Order, dated 22nd June 1865, No. 1,403.

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Miscellaneous.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. SEWELL,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Military Department.
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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