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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 362. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th August 1868, No. 5,741 :—

Read the following letter from the Deputy Collector in charge of Salt Department, to the Collector of Ganjam, dated Chicacole, 25th June 1868, No. 152.

1. With reference to the Board's Standing Circular, No. 85, dated 16th November 1865, I have the honor to submit the Annual Report on the progress made in improving the Salt roads in the district.

2. The two approaches to the Ganjam platforms are in good order; but I cannot speak well of the road from the pans to Aska *via* Purushottapore, and Mr. Harris, the Assistant Engineer, has estimated Rupees 3,000 for putting it in good order, which amount is included in the current year's Budget, submitted for sanction.

3. The branch road to the Itchapore salt pans is in a superior state. The road from Purushottapore or Berusola to Aska *via* Chikati and Pedda Kimedy is rapidly going on; but I do not suppose that an estimate has been sanctioned for carrying it across the swamp to the platforms, which, you are well aware, is the most important part of the work, and which will save a day's time to the merchants who go to the salt pans during the monsoon from Itchapore and the adjacent villages. I would, therefore, recommend the sanctioned road to be connected with the pans before being carried any further with the funds already allotted, or an estimate to be framed and submitted for sanction.

4. The approaches to the Nowpadah and Womeravilly salt pans are in a tolerably good state, and will be repaired during the current year.

5. The Salt road from Jurjungy to Palacondah *via* Jagannadhapore is not in a proper state; so the Supervisor Ramiah, of the Chicacole Range, has sent up an estimate to repair it, which, I believe, will be much improved this year.

6. The sandy portion of the road between Nowpadah and Raghunadhapore has been metalled to a length of 623 yards, and the earthwork of the two approaches to the Nowpadah salt pans has been executed, and the rest of the work will be completed during the current year.

No. 658.

1. Copy forwarded to the Board of Revenue.

2. The road now under construction, referred to in paragraph 3 of the above letter, is the one sanctioned in the Order of Government, Revenue Department, dated 23rd July 1867, No. 1,674. The Range Officer reports that, in the original estimate, no provision has been made for extending the road over the swamp. However, as the work is very necessary, an estimate has been ordered to be prepared at once.

CHETTERPORE,
10*th July* 1868.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Collector.

To the Board of Revenue.

Submitted for the information of Government.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd August 1868.

No. 363. ORDER THEREON, 22nd August 1868, No. 2,237.

Separate Revenue, No. 18.
Salt.

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(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Works Department.
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