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28th January, 1868.*

No. 459. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Public Works Department:—

Communicating letter from Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, reporting that the only injury of importance to any work, consequent on a high fresh in the Tambrapoorney river, is that caused to the Amboor bridge in Ambasamoodrum talook, Tinnevely District. } (Here enter 22nd January 1868, No. 235.)

No. 460. ORDER THEREON, 28th January 1868, No. 227.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 235.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 454. Read the following letter from the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madura, 8th January 1868, No. 1,977 :—

1. The Collector of Tinnevely having reported damages to roads, bridges, &c., consequent on a high fresh in the Tambrapoorney river, as communicated in G. O. No. 3,797 of the 6th December 1867, I have the honor to report that the only injury of importance to any one work is that caused to the Amboor bridge in the Ambasamoodrum Talook. The information given by the Range Officer is very meagre, viz., “ the same fresh brought down the Guddana Naddy, when three large trees and several Palmyrahs were blocked by the piers of the Amboor bridge, damming up the water to a very great height, and carried away eight out of the eleven piers to the foundation level.” I am calling for further particulars as to the height to which the river rose, for comparison with that assumed to be the highest water level, in order that the sectional area of the river may be compared with the water-way allowed for the bridge; likewise for a report on the condition of the foundations of the piers, and of the masonry work of the piers themselves, after being dislodged.

2. An estimate of Rupees 1,500 was sanctioned in G. O. No. 481, of the 19th February 1867, for renewing the superstructure of this bridge, and funds were

* In G. O. No. 1,494 of the 17th May 1867. provided* by a grant of Rupees 942 from the Reserve of the current year, and of Rupees 558 from Income Tax Funds in G. O. No. 3,024 of the 27th September 1867. The expenditure up to date has been Rupees 318-7-10, chiefly in the preparation of new stone beams, and these beams can be transferred to another bridge now under construction over the Varanadi river, about three miles off; the outlay in the present year will therefore not be thrown away.

3. The Amboor bridge is on Road No. 10, between Tenkasy and Kalladacurichi, and as this road has been removed from the Imperial list, I can hardly expect that Imperial Funds would be given for the construction of a new bridge. While then the question is under consideration, as to the provision of money from Local Funds, it is necessary that immediate steps be taken for utilizing the funds that have been allotted for expenditure in the current year, and I request sanction for a modification of the allotment of funds made in G. O. No. 3,413 of the 4th November 1867, viz., that the grants of Rupees 942 and Rupees 558, detailed above in paragraph 2, may be allotted in part of Rupees 2,044 the first item of my

list, † and that a corresponding increase of Rupees 1,500 be made to the 5th item of the same list Rupees 8,126, for the improvement of the road between Tinnevely and Aluncolum. This road is one that the Collector is particularly anxious to have put in order, and by adding Rupees 1,500 to the reduced sanctioned amount, Rupees 8,126, the sum remains within the original Budget Allotment, Part III. Minor Repairs to roads, &c., Rupees 10,100.

4. The result of this modification will then be a grant of Rupees 942 from the Reserve to the completion of Trunk Road No. IV. near Sautoor, and of Rupees

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558 from Income Tax Funds to the same work, for which Income Tax Funds have already been allotted in G. O. No. 3,024 of 27th September 1867.

No. 455. ORDER THEREON, 22nd January 1868, No. 235.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 56.

1. Communicated to the Revenue Department.

2. His Excellency in Council sanctions the transfers of funds proposed in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the letter above recorded.

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Revenue Department.
" Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.
" Accountant General.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

