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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st February 1868.

No. 21. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th January 1868, No. 404.

Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Chitwail, 19th October 1867, No. 1,964:—

1. With reference to Government Order, No. 753, dated 13th March 1867, I have the honor to forward the accompanying plans and estimate for constructing a road from Goondloor on the Bellary and Cuddapah road to the Condapuram station.

2. In the Supplemental Local Fund Budget of 1867-68, I have suggested to the Collector to only apply for a grant of Rupees 7,000, as I think that the item for metalling might lie over until we see if the traffic is such as to require that the road should be metalled.

Rupees 6,006.

3. The Railway authorities appear to have overlooked the extension of this line of road from Condapuram to Yellanoor, which is, I think, of more importance, and for which I have directed to prepare the survey and estimate. I would beg the sanction of Government for a grant of Rupees 1,000 from the Local Funds, for improving the present line of road from Condapuram to Yellanoor, for marking out any proposed alterations, and for the preparation of the survey. There is a short pass to the south-west of Condapuram which requires improvement, and on which an expenditure of the money now asked for would be chiefly incurred.

4. The Collector of Cuddapah agrees with me in the advisability of properly opening up this line of road to Yellanoor.

Enclosures Nos. 1 to 7.—Plans and Estimate.

Transferred to the Revenue Department.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

23*rd October* 1867.

Referred to the Board of Revenue.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

23*rd October* 1867.

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1. The estimate received with the Superintending Engineer's letter, amounting to Rupees 12,900, is submitted for the sanction of Government. The work appears as Item No. 3 in the Supplemental Budget of the current official year.

2. The grant of Rupees 1,000, applied by the Superintending Engineer for surveying, &c., the road from Condapuram to Yellanoor, is sanctioned from the current year's reserve of the District Road Fund; and the Accountant General is requested to place this sum at the disposal of the Public Works Department.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st February 1868.

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 1st February 1868, No. 290.

Local Funds, No. 1.
Civil Works.

The Government sanction the estimate on the understanding that the metalling is to be postponed until it be proved that the traffic is such as to warrant this additional expenditure.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 290.

Govt. sanction the Estimate
with understanding that the
metalling is to be postponed
until it be proved that the
traffic is such as to warrant
this additional Expenditure.

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No. 192.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 18th January 1868

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To Engrs

No. 404.

Submitting for sanction of Government estimate amounting to Rupees 12,900 for constructing a road from Goondloor on Bellary and Cuddaph road to Condapuram Station, sanctioning grant of Rupees 1000 for surveying &c. road from Condapuram to Yellanoor, and requesting Accountant General to place latter sum at disposal of P. W. D.

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No. 23. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th January 1868, No. 389 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 3rd January 1868, No. 2.

1. Subramanaiyah Sastri, a Vakeel of the Civil and Session Court of Chittoor, has represented by petition that he has obtained a license from the Licensing Officer of the Chittoor Talook to exercise the profession of Vakeel, and has paid the fee (Rupees 20) for it, but that he has been subsequently taxed by the Vellore Municipal Commissioners 12½ Rupees for the half year ending 30th April last, for exercising a similar profession in the Court of Small Causes now located at that station.

2. Subramanaiyah Sastri now contends that he is not liable to License Tax, inasmuch as he is assessed Rupees 25 per annum by the Vellore Municipal Commissioners. He therefore requests that he may be exempted from License Tax at Chittoor, and that the fee of Rupees 20, already paid by him, may be refunded.

3. In their Order of the 28th August last, No. 2,018, the Government authorize the abatement of the License Tax to which any person may be assessed at a place where both the License and Municipal Acts are in force; but no specific orders have been passed by Government to meet the case of those who are assessed to both the License and Municipal taxes at different towns in the same district.

Board's Proceedings, 3rd September 1867, No. 5,701.

4. In the present case, Subramanaiyah Sastri is a permanent resident of Chittoor, but has occasionally to attend the Small Cause Court at Vellore in the practice of his profession.

5. The Vakeel states that he has been assessed by the Licensing Officer of the Chittoor Talook upon the total income he makes in his profession generally, and that he is unable to produce any accounts to shew the proportions of that income made in the Court here and at Vellore.

6. Under these circumstances, I have the honor to request the instructions of the Board as to whether Subramanaiyah Sastri may be exempted from paying the Imperial License Tax, on the ground that he has been assessed to the Municipal Tax at Vellore, and whether the former Tax, already collected from him, may be refunded.

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1. Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Board are of opinion that the spirit of the ruling of the Government of India would exempt the Vakeel from the Imperial License Tax in future.

No. 24. ORDER THEREON, 1st February 1868, No. 291.

Miscellaneous.

1. The intention of the Orders on the above subject is to relieve individuals from the payment of a double License Tax under the Municipal and General Acts, by allowing an abatement from the Imperial Tax equal to the amount of the smaller tax of the two, whichever that may be.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st February 1868.

2. In the case stated, if the Vakeel in question has paid the year's Municipal Tax, he is clearly entitled to a refund of the Imperial Tax collected.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

No. 3183.

From

To

Sir,

Para 80.

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With reference to G.O. No. 225, dated 26th August 1868 I have the honor to inform upon that the necessity of opening roads between the Ballary and Cuddapah districts had some time ago attracted my attention, but as the Local Road Cess Fund was only started in 1867 it was not until then that there was a prospect of obtaining funds.

2. In April 1867 I requested Lieut. Bonner, then in charge of the Madras Trigonometrical Survey to submit a survey of a road from Sitharamapatnam to Cudapah via Mootrial cherroo and Bhudavarachervoo to the Ballary frontier, which I proposed to connect with the line of road from Cotcherroo near Bookapatnam to Cudapah on the Bangalore Trunk road at or near Boodaly. From Cudapah traffic &c to or from Nundyaloor would pass via Chillamatoor and Kapatraly, where there is at present a road. I cannot agree with Mr. Chisholm as to the necessity of a road from Nundyaloor to Valasamoodrum and thence to join the Sitharamapatnam road; and can only suppose that he made the suggestion on what was told him without referring to the Map of the Ballary District.

3. As regards the road from Bookapatnam via Vemulcotty I beg to state that in my opinion it is a very necessary line of communication and early in this year I had suggested to the Collector of Ballary the advisability of improving the present track: the only question I wanted to have decided was as to whether it should join with Road No XII. There is one existing track from Vemulcotty past the North end of the Vemulcotty

South to Sonnevas finally, but this was over a hilly and stony road. I learnt on the spot that it would be better to proceed from Sonnevas East the South end of the South to Mullakaranimala, passing round the end of the Range of hills and I have directed Captain Begbie to prepare and submit a Survey for this line.

6. Further North there is a third line which might be found beneficial viz from Thummaveram to Sedda Obiefully on Trunk Road No XII and regarding this I have directed the Assistant Engineer Bromsham to submit a Report.

5. From Mullakaranimala I would suggest that a line of road be taken to Vavunatty to join the road now in progress from Mhadi to Puliancullay thus admitting of a junction with the Railway at Moodaiyoor.

6. Same what hard to understand on what grounds Mr Clarke has recommended a road from Tallapalla viâ Pallachallamallas to Gonlapoulla on the road from Mhadi to Ringachetty. A glance at the Map will show that from Tallapallay you must first go East and then South East to reach Pallachallamalla and then almost South and South West to get to Gonlapoulla. I made enquiries when at Mhadi, as to how this line of road came to be proposed by Mr Clarke, but I could not find out who had spoken about it. The Tahsildar of the Mhadi Taluk informed me that a road was traced from Mhadi to Vavunatty, which is almost on the direct line to Tuddapalai, but the only question is as to the direction in which to take the road. I have directed Captain Begbie to see if any easy line could be taken from Tallivapatty, or any other point on the Mhadi & Puliyandalai Roads, viâ Vapamoor apalai and the Gorre Cumma to Vavunatty.

7. I quite agree with Mr Clarke in his proposal

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for a road from Pulicat through the Nagapalla Pass, to Sriperumbudur. It is a continuation of the road from the North Eastern part of the Bengal territory in Latitude 40 past Sudduem, Calla Colla, Gullapoor, Chinna Seppa Seamoodrum & Voilpaud to Pulicat, of which the greater portion is in very fair order. At certain times of the year great numbers of pilgrims pass along this road, I am informed, on their way to Sriperumbudur, and the advisability of completing the portion between Pulicat and Sriperumbudur has been discussed for some years, but the work was deferred for want of funds. The greatest part of the Nagapalla pass lies in the North Arcot District and I would therefore suggest that the laying out of the road through the whole of this pass be left to the Ranger Officer in the North Arcot District and that the Tallapalli Ranger Officer take it up from wherever he leaves off, as this arrangement would prevent mistakes. I inspected this morning in company with Captain Begbie about five miles of this line of road & find that it will pass over stony and rocky ground and that the chief work will lie removing stones & bushes beyond this point as far as Balaraopalle I was told there was no difficulty. As the demarcation for the Revenue Survey is in progress in this, the Vellpaud, Taluk, I would beg to suggest that an immediate grant of Rs. 50 per mile or Rs. 300 for the 6 miles from Pulicat to Balaraopalle be at once allotted from the Road Funds to enable Captain Begbie to mark out with side Channels & Check Banks the proposed line of road and when this is done to have the line strongly I would suggest his stopping the trace when he reaches Balaraopalle until such time as the trace through the Nagapalla Pass is completed, when he might finish the connecting link.

8. As regards the progress of the works I beg to state that on the road from Mhadi to Puliyandalla

there is a very good class of work it has been opened for about 15 miles at a cost of about Rupees 13,000, and a further sum of about equal amount will be necessary to open up the remaining distance, and when that is done I think about R. 30,000 will be wanted for Masonry Works &c. This is a very important line of Road and as it has now been commenced I trust that it will be continued until the whole distance is opened up for cattle, which at present cannot pass from Attoor to Kulivendlas, all traffic being carried on pack bullocks. At the time of my inspection there were only about 350 Coolies employed, a great number having gone away to gather in the harvest. Most of these would however be returning in a short time for work as they would not find employment in ploughing and sowing for the second Crop, unless there was a great change in the Weather, most of the Tanks in that Taluk having little or no Water.

9. Inspected the Road from Attoor to the Bellary frontier as far as Aloor hill shewn, but was informed that the principal work was near Kuldevanacherroo. I found there was very little Water in the Moolial-Cherroo Tank & was informed that the same scarcity of water existed in the other Tanks to the South West. This seems easily believed as, in my visit to the Pennaconda Taluk Bellary District in the early part of this month, I found that most of the Tanks were nearly empty, the Horsleypatam Tank being about the only one which had received a good Supply, and this, as I was told, was in consequence of the breaching of some Tanks in the higher Territory.

10. I regret to state that the Coppices Rains reported to by the Circle Chiefs have not as a rule given an Supply to the Tanks but have merely sufficed for the dry Crops.

11. From the Attoor Taluk I proceeded to the North Western part of the Madanapilly Taluk where the large Tanks of Mundlaoor, Peddaw Sitpasamoodrum and Ringasamoodrum are situated. The first

of these is a fine Reservoir constructed across the main branches of the Paupagnee River and the other two Tanks are across smaller feeders of the same River. The Collector being very anxious to carry on the excavation of the Channel from the Mundlaoor Tank to the Peddaw Sitpasamoodrum Tank and from thence to the Ringasamoodrum Tank and was very sanguine as to the increased Revenue that would be realized, computing that there would be a return of about 30% on an Expenditure of one lac of Rupees.

12. When I inspected the Mundlaoor Tank there was only about one fourth a foot Supply & the Peddaw Sitpasamoodrum & Ringasamoodrum Tanks had still less. It would of course be useless to think of taking off water from the Mundlaoor Tank until it has received a full Supply & so I have begged the Acting Collector to furnish me with a Statement shewing how often during the last twenty years the Cattingulahs of the Mundlaoor Tank have discharged, the number of days during which they were discharging and the depth passing over so that some approximate idea may be gained of the quantity of water available for the other Tanks. I regret to be obliged to throw cold water on any irrigation project for the retention & transmission to other Tanks of the Surplus Water of the large Tanks, but from the returns shown to me, I could only see that there would be any increased Revenue of about Rs 12,000 at the outside & I think the cost would be about one & a half lacs. The return would thus be 8% supposing the Peddaw Sitpasamoodrum Ringasamoodrum & all the smaller Tanks were filled, but then we come to the question of whether the Supply of water is sufficient.

I have &c

A Bellasis Major H.P.S.

Superintg Engineer 3d Div.

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Under Sec.y to Govt. PWD
4th Dec/68.

To the Rev. Dept.

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From
No. 3837.

The Superintending Engr.
3rd Circle

The Secretary to Govt.
P. W. D.

Dated 28th November 1868.
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No. 3183.

Informing of the necessity of joining certain Roads between the Odeany and Sadolapaulo Districts —

Secy. 291 Dated July

Transferred

Dated 29th
To Executive Engineer
Sadolapaulo
Sub Division
Sadolapaulo
Sir,
I am directed to forward herewith a Copy of a letter from the Secretary to Government, P. W. Department, No. 3183 dated 28th November 1868 informing of the necessity of joining certain Roads between the Odeany and Sadolapaulo Districts.
I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
V. P.
14 Sadolapaulo Sub Division
5 Executive Engineer
Sadolapaulo
1st July 1868.