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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
10th December 1868.

No. 139. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department :—

Sanctioning estimate of Rupees 1,190 for raising and improving a portion of the road between Calicut and the foot of the Tambracherry Ghaut, Malabar District. } (Here enter 4th December 1868, No. 3,788.)

No. 140. ORDER THEREON, 10th December 1868, No. 3,078.

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. 3,788.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Govt. of Madras
1868

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated December, 10th.

Recd.

G. O., 10th December 1868, No. 3,078.

DECEMBER

Nos. 139-140.

Road between Calicut and the Tambracherry Ghaut.—Order sanctioning estimate for raising and improving a portion of it, communicated to Revenue Board.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 4th December 1868.

No. 104. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Coonoor, 5th November 1868, No. 151 :—

1. Plan.
2. Estimate, No. 29, Rupees 1,190.
3. Letter from Messrs. Pierce and Ferguson, dated 1st October 1868.

1. I have the honor to submit, for the sanction of Government, an estimate which I have had prepared for raising a portion of the road between Calicut and the foot of the Tambracherry Ghaut, shown in the accompanying survey, which is liable to flood, every monsoon, by backwater from a river along which it runs. Funds for immediate execution of the work may be appropriated as follows, viz.:—

From Minor New Works, Communications, Malabar	...	Rs. 871
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	Total	Rs. 1,190

2. I have at the same time to request that the maintenance allowance for the whole twenty-five miles of road may be doubled, as has already been done for the road below Coonoor Ghaut, in Coimbatore District, and that below the Perambaddy Ghaut, in Malabar, to admit of the use of broken stone for its effectual repair. The accompanying letter, on the state of the road after the past monsoon, has been forwarded to me by the Collector, with the remark, in which I quite agree, "that the "road requires a different description of repair and maintenance than that which "till the last season might fairly have sufficed." I am of opinion that funds for such extra cost of repairs should be raised permanently by a toll below the ghaut at Tambracherry, in addition to any toll that may be levied on the ghaut itself when finished. And I recommend the adoption of the scale of tolls sanctioned in paragraph 2 of G. O., No. 692, of 20th March 1863. But meanwhile, to make a beginning in the present working season, I propose to raise funds as follows, viz., by appropriation of the Malabar discretionary allowance of Rupees 1,500, and by transfer of Rupees 1,250 out of Rupees 1,584, allowed in the Imperial Budget for the Darapooram and Konghiem road, which was doubly provided for in the Coimbatore Local Fund Budget also ; thus making up Rupees 2,750, being for twenty-five miles at the rate of Rupees 110 per mile.

From Messrs. R. H. PIERCE and T. J. FERGUSON, to the Collector of Malabar, dated Calicut, 1st October 1868.

1. We beg to direct your special attention to the present unsatisfactory state of the road between this and the foot of the new Tambracherry ghaut, and to request that you will kindly use your influence to have all necessary repairs effected with as little delay as possible.

2. At the present time so cut up are many parts of this road that loaded bandies cannot pass over it unassisted. As a rule now, carts with little more than half loads leave this in batches of six to eight, so as to assist each other in getting over the bad places. The portion of the road between this and Tambracherry requires repairs in very many places, but our remarks more especially refer to the road between Tambracherry and Poodoopaddy, and for one mile from the latter place towards the ghaut, which portion may be said to be perfectly unfit for cart traffic. Throughout the entire distance from Tambracherry, the road is much cut up by the traffic, which has been very considerable all through the monsoon, and in many places fifty to a hundred yards at a stretch is no better than a swamp, taking a horse or bullock up to the shoulders. To merely throw loose soft earth on such places (as is now being done) is worse than useless.

3. In anticipation of the very heavy traffic which must go over this road for the future, not only during the fine season, but throughout the rains, we submit that it is most urgently requisite for the road to be metalled throughout, and that the present jungle, where it encroaches upon and damages the road way, be cut back.

Begging the favor of your early attention to this matter. we have,

No. 105. ORDER THEREON, 4th December 1868, No. 3,788.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 10.

1. The Government sanction the estimate of Rupees 1,190 for raising and improving a portion of the road between Calicut and the foot of the Tambracherry Ghaut, and approve of the manner in which the Superintending Engineer proposes to provide the required funds.

2. Colonel Walker will be requested to specify the particular grant in Part III of the Budget which provides for the maintenance of the road in question, and he will submit an estimate, as required by the rules, for the increased allowance appplied for.

14th September 1865, No. 2,705.
20th November ,, ,, 3,506.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. F.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Accountant General.
,, Revenue Department.

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Revenue Board.

10^c Dec^r 68

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Revenue Dept.
No. 3805.

Govt. of {1868} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

7th Division.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated December, 4th.

Recd. 5th *Encl.*

G. O., 4th December, 1868, No. 3,788.

DECEMBER.

Nos. 104-105

Road.—Estimate of Rupees 1,190 for raising and improving a portion of the road between Calicut and the foot of the Tambracherry Ghaut, Malabar District, sanctioned; and the Superintending Engineer requested to submit an estimate for the increased maintenance allowance applied for on account of the road under notice.

With order
No. 3070 of Dec.

No. 139-140.

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