

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 150. Read the following Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 1st February 1868, No. 137:—

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Kurnool, 23rd January 1868, No. 1,051.

Telegraph.

1. As you are aware, the telegraph line was selected at a time when I had no Engineer particularly experienced in the matter.

2. In selecting it, the supposed advantage of having it on the Company's land, where it would be continually seen by our men, was balanced against the advantage of making straight cuts.

3. Mr. Brunton informs me that there is very little advantage, after the first year, in having the line inspected at close intervals, that Government do not find it necessary. Also he says that the inconvenience and expense (in fixing the posts with guy wires, &c.,) of curves has been under-estimated. He, therefore, recommends, in almost every case, that straight cuts be made with the telegraph from station to station, and that the line of canal or of road be generally abandoned.

4. I have the honor to ask what process the Government will wish to be gone through, when a line is selected, before I may be allowed to put the posts into the ground. There are four kinds of land likely to be affected, viz.:—

1. Waste land.
2. Public land, such as road sides.
3. Government cultivated land.
4. Inam land.

On receiving your reply, I will propose the lines for constructing the telegraph.

No. 448.

Copy forwarded to the Consulting Engineer for submission to Government.

(Signed) F. H. HENSLOWE,
Agent and Manager.

MADRAS,
30th January 1868.

1. Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The line of the Main Canal is generally so tortuous, that it would not be advisable to require the line of telegraph, sanctioned in the Orders of Government as per margin,* to be carried close to the embankment throughout. On the other hand, every part of the line should be readily accessible at all times, and its selection should be governed, as far as possible, by this consideration.

3. Where posts may require to be erected on land not transferred to the Company for other purposes, it should, where such land is not waste, be applied for under Class A., and two yards-square, or four square-yards, may be allowed for each post. Where the land on the proposed line may be waste, and not commanded by the canal, the positions of the several posts should be marked and inspected by

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the Deputy Collector engaged in making over land, who might be instructed, after ascertaining that no private interests will be interfered with, to authorize the Company's officers to proceed with the construction of the line. On waste lands commanded by the canal, the area required for the telegraph posts had better be regularly transferred under Class A.

(Signed) J. MULLINS, Captain, R. E.,
Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company.

Referred to the Revenue Department, with a view to the necessary instructions being issued in that Department for the transfer of the land referred to, to the Company, payment being made for it from the provision in Part VI. of the Imperial Public Works Budget.

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

FORT ST. GEORGE,
6th February 1868.

No. 151.

ORDER THEREON, 8th February 1868, No. 352.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue, who will issue the necessary instructions to the Collectors of Kurnool and Cuddapah.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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