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*Revenue* **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 12th March 1868.*

No. 189. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd March 1868, No. 1,501 :—

Read the following Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 23rd January 1868.

From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Nellore, 16th January 1868, No. 131.

1. Adverting to Government Order, No. 83, dated 10th January 1868, I have the honor to inform you that, since the introduction of the Road Cess, I have found that Local Road works have increased to an extent which it is impossible for the Public Works Department to efficiently supervise, with the present strength of the subordinate establishment.

2. The calls for estimates and surveys of local lines during the past year has been very great, and no aid has been given to frame them.

3. The yearly collections of Road Cess in the Kistna exceed one lac of Rupees, and in the Nellore District half a lac. The irrigation works to be undertaken during 1868-69 will tax, to the utmost, all the best Overseers; and Trunk Road No. VI works and the local lines can, therefore, be but inadequately supervised, unless extra Overseers are sanctioned.

4. I respectfully request the attention of Government to this state of things. I imagine the same difficulty exists in most of the other divisions of the Presidency, and that some remedial measure is emergently needed.

Referred to the Revenue Department, with the opinion of the Secretary in this Department that an extra subordinate establishment for the supervision of Local Fund works is absolutely necessary, and that the scale of establishment proposed in paragraph 3 of the letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly to the Board of Revenue of the 15th July 1867, No. 359, is considered a suitable one.

FORT ST. GEORGE, 22*nd January* 1868.

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

To the Revenue Department.

Referred to the Board of Revenue, for early consideration and report.

23*rd January* 1868.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
*Secretary to Government.*

To the Board of Revenue.

1. In the foregoing endorsement, which gives cover to another endorsement from the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, on a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, the Board are called upon to consider and report upon the suggestion of the former Officer for the provision of an extra subordinate establishment for the Local Fund works on the same scale as that proposed by the Collector of Tinnevelly in paragraph 3 of his letter, dated 15th July 1867, which was disposed of in the Board's Proceedings, dated 24th September 1867, No. 8,141.

2. The Board observe that No. XXII of the District Road Fund Rules expressly provides that "the Collector and Superintending Engineer shall finally "determine the permanent establishment, (if any,) required to be maintained *in* "*addition* to the regular Public Works Establishment, specially on account of the "Local Fund," and directs that "the salary of each servant shall be duly entered in the Budget, with explanation of the necessity of the charge."

3. The Board would request Colonel Winscom accordingly to confer with the Collectors of the Kistna and Nellore Districts, and to forward a Memorandum of the establishments they deem requisite. Meanwhile, the Board would authorize the employment of an Overseer on Rupees 60 per mensem, and a Maistry on Rupees 20 per mensem, for each of the following works now in progress under the Department of Public Works in the Kistna District :—

1. Road from Guntoor to Satanapilly.
2. Do. from Masulipatam to Cowtaram.
3. Do. from Ponnur to Bapatla.
4. Do. from Guntoor to Ayalur.
5. Do. from Chinnapalukaloor to Narsarowpetta.
6. Do. from Vadalay to Kykaloor.

The Budget allotments for these roads in 1868-69 aggregate Rupees 54,000.; and a further assignment can be made from the reserve, if hereafter necessary. The works should be vigorously pushed on.

4. The Board would also authorize similar establishment for the following works in Nellore :—

1. Road from Alloor Ramana tank to Singapetta.
2. Do. from Nellore to Somaisweram.
3. Do. from Kavaly to Kaligherry.
4. Do. from Manubolo to Podalakur.

The allotments for these roads in 1868-69 aggregate Rupees 23,000.

5. The ten per cent. allowance will, of course, not be claimable in respect to the abovementioned works.

6. For the survey, &c., of new lines, special arrangements can always be made as occasion arises under the provisions of the Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 10th October 1867, No. 2,388.

7. With reference to the observations of the Secretary to Government, in the Public Works Department, the Board would draw the attention of the Government to the Proceedings* of the Board, on the letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly to which Colonel Orr refers. The plan of having Range Establishments seems to the Board most undesirable at present. The more effective and economical plan is to grant the necessary establishment for special works, and this the Board will be ready to do on due cause being shewn.

* Dated 24th September 1867, No. 6,141.

No. 181. ORDER THEREON, 12th March 1868, No. 646.

| Local Funds, No. 8. |
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| *Establishment.* |

Communicated to the Department Public Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
*Secretary to Government.*

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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11th Dec. 1868. Department.
12th Govt. Proceedings

No. 736.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 3rd March 1868.

No. 1,501.

Submitting remarks to Government on suggestion of Secretary to Government P. W. D. for provision of an extra subordinate establishment for Local Fund works in Kistna and Nellore districts on same scale as that proposed by Collector of Tinnevelly.

12th March 1868

(True Copies and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

21 Feb 1868
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