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Board of Revenue,

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PROCEEDINGS, 2ND JULY 1869, No. 4,741.

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Salt roads—in Nellore,—Letter from Collector forwarding Deputy Collector's report on progress made during 1868-69, in repair and improvement of, submitted to Government.

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No. 4,741.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 2nd July 1869.

Read the following letter from J. C. HUGHESDON, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector in charge of Nellore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd June 1869, No. 1,043:—

Letter No. 144 of 29th May 1869.

WITH reference to Board's Standing Circular, No. LXXXV. of 1865, dated 16th November 1865, I have the honor to submit the usual Annual Report required from the Deputy Collector in charge of the Salt Department, on the progress made in repairing and improving salt roads during the official year 1868-69.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From C. E. PLUNKETT, Esq., Deputy Collector in charge of Salt Department, to the Collector of Nellore, dated Biramgunt., 29th May 1869, No. 144.

ADVERTING to Board's Standing Circular, No. LXXXV. of 1865, dated 16th November 1865, I have the honor to submit the usual Annual Report required from me through your office on the progress made in repairing and improving the salt roads in this district during the official year 1868-69, which expired on the 31st March last.

2. As you have but recently addressed* the Board on the state and wants of our salt communications, I will confine this report to such work as has been actually done during the year under reference.

* *Vide* Collector's letters recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 3,081, dated 7th May 1869.

3. *Road from Ongole to Kottapatnam.*—The expenditure incurred on this line was Rupees 3,209-11-1. It is needless for me to enlarge on the condition of this road or on the nature of the work stated to have been done, as there has been much correspondence in regard to it recently between yourself and the Board of Revenue, and the Superintending Engineer of the Division, as will be seen by the Board's Proceedings noted in the margin.

No. 1,811, dated 17th March 1869.

4. *Branch from Trunk Road No. 6, near Singarayakonda to Ullapalem.*—Rupees 1,042-15-3 were expended on this line from the village of Ponnaluru, in the Kandukuru Talook. The portion from the Trunk Road to the sea is in fair order, with the exception of a tunnel near the Pakala platform, respecting which I believe you addressed the Superintending Engineer after your inspection of the line in January last—*Vide* paragraph 14 of your letter, No. 275, recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 3,081, dated 7th May 1869.

5. *Road from Nellore to Kristnapatnam, and branch from Trunk Road No. 6, at Tada to the back-water near Salt Cotaur.*—These two lines have been maintained in fair order, but I am not aware of the expenditure incurred, or of the work done during the year.

6. *Road from Sunnapugunta to the 31st mile-stone on Trunk Road No. 6.*—On this line Rupees 3,999-14-0 were laid out up to the end of the last official year from an estimate, amounting to Rupees 13,300. The earth-work has been completed, some turfing done, and minor tunnels, etc., built, and the remaining masonry works are in progress.

7. On the remaining short lines enumerated in Board's Proceedings, No. 6,990, dated 3rd October 1868, as "Salt roads", nothing was done, so far as I am aware, during the year under report, but the requisite plans and estimates for the under-noted lines were drawn up and forwarded for sanction:—

(1.) From Devarampaud to Trunk Road No. 6. This line is now unnecessary, as it is proposed to abolish Devarampaud—*Vide* paragraph 6 of Board's Proceedings, No. 3,081, dated 7th May 1869.

(2.) From Koppolee to Biramgunta.

(3.) Branch from Alluru and Iskapalli road to the Iskapalli inland platform.

(4.) Branch from Nellore and Kristnapatnam road to the Salt platforms at the latter place.

SUBMITTED to Government, with reference to Government Order, dated 2nd October 1865, No. 2,379, paragraph 53, and in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 7th May 1869, No. 3,081.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works.

Copy to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

" to the Acting Sub-Collector of Nellore.