

Revenue!

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No. 3051.

Govt. of 1869 *Indras.*

PUBLIC WORKS.

THE SUPERINTENDING

4th Divⁿ.

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Dated September, 7th.

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Let.

G. O., 7th September 1869, No. 2,938

SEPTEMBER.

Nos. 133-137

East Coast Canal. — Letter from the
Superintending Engineer of the 4th Di-
vision, regarding the stoppage of the
extension of the East Coast Canal, recorded.

With Order

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*Dep^y Secy to Govt. of Madras
11 Sept/69*

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th September 1869.*

No. 186. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer,
4th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department,
dated Madras, 24th August 1869, No. 2,694:—

With reference to Government Order, No. 2,735, dated 20th August 1869,
No. 95, dated 9th August 1869, passing orders on Mr. Fraser's report
submitting an estimate for a portion of

the extension of the Coast Canal, I beg to state that as this report was not submit-
ted through me I was unable to offer any remarks on it.

2. The Government express much regret that the works on the Canal were
stopped, in consequence of Mr. Fraser's interpretation of G. O., No. 2,059, dated
24th June 1869. In forwarding this order to the Executive-Engineer, I merely
circulated it to him, as to all other Range Officers, for information, and I issued no
subsidiary instructions, as the work was a local one, and provided with funds.
Indeed, as on receipt of the Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 2,969, dated 3rd May
1869, on Government Order, No. 711, dated 16th March 1869, I had called on Mr.

Memorandum No. 1,409, dated 11th June 1869. Fraser to report what sum he could
allotment on the extension, he was aware funds were available, and as a reminder
was sent on the 27th July, he was also aware that I contemplated no stoppage of the
works.

3. It was only on the 30th idem that he replied to my inquires stating that
he could expend a lac of Rupees, and he then referred to a partial stoppage of his
works. I find also from an examination of the Progress Reports that Rupees 10,358
were spent this year up to June, and Rupees 14,442 up to July inclusive, so some
work, more or less, must have been going on.

4. It was not until I received a letter from the Collector, dated 4th instant,
requesting me to stop further work owing to the funds having run out, and the
expenditure being in excess of the receipts, that I sent corresponding orders to the
Executive-Engineer.

No. 187. . ORDER THEREON, 7th September 1869, No. 2,938.

LOCAL FUNDS, No. 29.

Civil Works.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Charles A. Orr

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
.. Revenue Department.

Er. E. C. Shunker.

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Comm. to the
Revenue Board.