Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 10th May 1871.

No. 122. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Revenue—Forests,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras in the Revenue Department, dated Simla, 19th April 1871, No. 262-F.:—

In reply to your letter, No. 467, of 17th ultimo, regarding the improvements proposed in the Cauvery and Burghoor rivers, I am directed to state that though many of the works may not be of such a nature as to admit of being accurately estimated for, yet it is quite possible that a detailed sketch of the proposed operations may be prepared, containing the calculations on which the cash-demand is based, with sufficient accuracy, and showing that the scheme for opening the river will be completed for the money sanctioned. It is the desire of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council that such a scheme be submitted before any further expenditure, in addition to the 5,000 Rs. already sanctioned by the Government of Madras, is incurred.

2. I am directed to add that the fact, that 12,000 Rs. have been allotted in the budget for 1871-72 for this project, in no wise will justify expenditure of the money, unless the estimate for the work has been regularly sanctioned, and that the estimate should be for the whole project for opening the rivers up to the forest (about which it would appear that the opinion has been asked of the Consulting Engineer for Railways), and not for a portion of the scheme only, as would be the case if the estimate for the channel round the Neringepett anicut were alone submitted. If a portion of the expense of opening the Cauvery is to be debited to any other department, as seems to be indicated, it should be shown what portion of it is to be borne by the forests, as it has been repeatedly pointed out by the Government of India that the forest-revenues are not available for, or to be employed on, works of general utility, however desirable for other purposes they may be.

No. 123. Order thereon, 10th May 1871, No. 820.

Forests, No. 9.

Ordered to be communicated to the Conservator of Forests and the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division, through the Public Works Department, with reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 9th December 1870, No. 1,988, and 17th January 1871, No. 116, for their information and guidance.

2. Mr. Nordmann, the Assistant Engineer, will be instructed, through the Public Works Department, to submit as soon as possible the detailed sketch required by the Government of India, and the Consulting Engineer for Railways will be requested to furnish an early reply to paragraph 6 of the Order of Government, dated 9th December 1870, No. 1,988.

3. With reference to the concluding part of the letter of the Government of India, the Government observe that they have already decided in paragraph 5 of the Order of 9th December that the cost of carrying out this project must

mainly be borne by the Forest Department. Precise orders on the subject will be issued hereafter.

(True Extract)
(Signed) F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Conservator of Forests.
,, the Public Works Department.
,, the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Govt. of {1871} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated May 10th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 10th May 1871, No. 820.

MAY.

Nos. 122-123.

Scheme for opening the Burghoor and Cauvery rivers.—Letter from Government of India requesting a detailed sketch of the proposed operations in connection with it, communicated to Conservator of Forests and Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, for information and guidance.

7 Encl. 2449/71
2580/71.
Govt. Madras G.O. No. 337/71

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 262 F.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

REVENUE—FORESTS.

To the Secy: to the Govt of Madras
in the Revenue Department

Simla, 19th April 1871.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 467 of 17th ultimo, regarding the improvements proposed in the Cauvery and Burghoor rivers, I am directed to state that though many of the works may not be of such a nature as to admit of being accurately estimated for, yet it is quite possible that a detailed sketch of the proposed operations may be prepared, containing the calculations on which the cash demand is based, with sufficient accuracy and shewing that the scheme for opening

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the River will be completed for the money sanctioned. It is the desire of His Excellency the Governor General in Council that such a scheme be submitted before any further expenditure, in addition to the 5000 Rupees already sanctioned by the Government of Madras, is incurred.

2. I am directed to add that the fact, that 12,000 Rupees have been allotted in the Budget for 1871-72 for this project in no wise will justify expenditure of the money unless the Estimate for the work has been regularly sanctioned, and that the Estimate should be for the whole project for opening the Rivers up to the Forest (about which it would appear that the opinion has been asked of the Consulting Engineer for Railways), and not for a portion of the scheme only, as would be the case if the Estimate for the Channel round the Nerungepett anicut were alone submitted. If a portion of the expence of opening the Causeway is to be debited to any other Department (as seems to be indicated) it should be shewn what portion of it is to be borne by the Forests, as it has been repeatedly pointed out by the Government of India that the Forest Revenues are to be available for, or to be employed on, works of general utility whenever desirable for other purposes they may be.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servt.

W. Wicham Colo. R.A.
Secy. to the Govt. of India
Mily.

Revenue Dept.

No. 820.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 10th May 1871.

Read the following

Letter from the Secretary to

the Govt of India. P.W. Dept

No. 1 dated 4th April 1871. No. 262

Requesting that a detailed

sketch of the proposed operations in

the Cauvery & Bargoor rivers be

submitted before any further ex-

penditure in addition to that

already sanctioned is incurred

Ordered to be com-

municated to the Conservator

of Forests and the Supg. Engineer

of the 4th Division through the

P.W. Dept with reference to

the Proc. of Govt dated 9th

December

Revenue Dept.

G.O. 17 March 1871 Rev. 21

Revenue Dept.

G.O. 1358.

From

The Secretary to the

Govt of Fort

St. George

To

The Secretary to the

Govt of India

Public Works Dept.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to forward for the information of the Government of India, Public Works Department, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Conservator of Forests, dated 17th ultimo, with its enclosures, on the subject of the Cauvery Canal, and to request that the Government of India will favour this Government with their opinion on the recommendations contained in the letter.

I have &c.

(Signed) W. Robertson

Chief Secretary

No. 122-123

December 1890, No. 1988 and
17th January 1891, No. 116 for
their information and guidance.

2. Mr. Nordmann, the Assistant Engineer will be instructed through the P.W. Dept. to submit as soon as possible the detailed sketch required by the Govt. of India, and the Consulting Engineer for Railways will be requested to furnish early reply to para 6 of the order of Govt. dated 9th December 1890, No. 1988.

3. With reference to the concluding

concluding part of the letter of the Govt of India, the Govt observe that they have already decided in para 5 of the order of 9th December that the cost of carrying out this project must mainly be borne by the Forest Dept. Precise orders on the subject will be issued hereafter.

13 To Govt of Forests Dept
21 " P.W. Dept
" Consulting Engr for Railways
14 " Bd of Revenue

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