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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 26th November 1873.

Read the following paper from H. E. SULLIVAN, Esq., Acting Collector of South Arcot, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 28th October 1873, No. 419:—

SOUTH ARCOT DISTRICT, SALT DEPARTMENT.

Report on the Salt roads for the Official year 1872-73.

No.	Names of Roads.	Remarks.
1	Road from Alathoor to Chunampet.	The two branches of the Vandawash river are still impracticable during the rains for want of suitable bridges or dams. That part of the road to the east of the Chunampet village lying in low, swampy ground is unsatisfactory. This salt road should, as suggested in my former report, be taken from Putupet on higher ground into Chunampet, whence there is an excellent approach to this salt road after it has passed over the swamp alluded to above.
2	Road from Merkanum to Thembakum.	Requires repair.
3	Road from the 21st mile of Tindivanum Merkanum road to the Kandadoo pans.	Requires repair. Estimate for Rupees 670, sanctioned by the Board on the 10th March 1873.
4	Road from Kandadoo bridge to Merkanum Salt pans.	Requires repair.
5	Road from Thembakum to sea-	In course of construction.
6	Road from the Merkanum village to the Salt pans.	In good order.
7	Road from Kullanchavady to 10th mile of coast road.	This is not now required as Kumblimadu and Manavary have been dispensed with as sale stations, the salt manufactured there being taken by water to Cuddalore Depot and stored there for sale.
8	Road from 4th mile of coast road to Gundalam pans.	In good order.
9	Road from 6th mile of do. to Kudicadoo.	Do.
10	Road from 9½ mile of do. to Manavary.	Do.
11	Road from Chellambaram to Killai and Nuckravandangudi.	Unsatisfactory. The tunnels have no parapet walls, and the repairs are anything but satisfactorily performed to that part which leads to the Nuckravandangudi pans.
12	Road from 9½ mile of coast road to the Kumblimadu pans.	Such a road is absolutely necessary to enable the Collector and his Deputy to inspect the pans. The old bandy track which lies in some parts over heavy sand, has been so much encroached upon by the cultivators on either side, that it is impossible to drive in a bandy up to the old platform.
13	Road from Merkanum to Pondicherry.	This road is progressing very satisfactorily, and it is hoped it will soon reach the Kottacupum Sayer station.
14	Road from Porto Novo to Killai.	As it is proposed to have a ferry at Porto Novo, the half of the road which lies over heavy sand near Killai should be clayed as soon as possible, as carts taking merchandize to Porto Novo may find inducement to take Killai for a return load of salt.

(Signed) W. FREER,
Deputy-Collector.

No. 419.

SUBMITTED to the Board of Revenue, with reference to their Miscellaneous Circular, dated 16th November 1865, No. 74. A copy has been sent to the District Engineer.

CUDDALORE,
28th October 1873.

(Signed) H. E. SULLIVAN,
Acting Collector.

SUBMITTED to Government.

2. The state of the approaches to Chunampet seem urgently to need attention. Estimates should be submitted for opening the new line without delay.

3. The Collector is requested to state from what source No. 2 and 4 are maintained and whether the repair might not be provided for in the Petty Construction and Repairs Grant.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

H E Collins

Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
,, the Acting Collector of South Arcot.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

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Salt roads—of South Arcot district.—Collector's report on—for 1872-73, submitted to Government. Collector to state from what soruce roads from Merkanum to Thembakum and from Kandadoo to Merkanum Salt pans are maintained, and whether their repair might not be provided for from Petty Construction and Repairs Grant.

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