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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 28th July 1873.

Read the following letter from J. R. DANIEL, Esq., Acting Collector of Vizagapatam, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 10th June 1873, No. 818 :—

I HAVE the honour to report on the Public Works executed from Imperial and Provincial Funds during the past Official year, and to forward, herewith, the Progress Reports of the Range Officers and the reports from my Assistants thereon.

2. The following is a Comparative Statement of expenditure during the last two years :—

| Items.                | Expenditure in<br>1871-72. | Expenditure in<br>1872-73. | COMPARISON. |  |           |  |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|--|-----------|--|
|                       |                            |                            | Increase.   |  | Decrease. |  |
|                       | RS. A. P.                  | RS. A. P.                  | RS. A. P.   |  | RS. A. P. |  |
| <i>New Works.</i>     |                            |                            |             |  |           |  |
| Irrigation ... ..     | 485 1 4                    | 760 5 5                    | 275 4 1     |  | .....     |  |
| Civil Building ... .. | 22,489 0 2                 | 39,495 3 11                | 17,006 3 9  |  | .....     |  |
| Total ...             | 22,974 1 6                 | 40,255 9 4                 | 17,281 7 10 |  | .....     |  |
| <i>Repairs.</i>       |                            |                            |             |  |           |  |
| Irrigation ... ..     | 8,566 10 4                 | 17,869 12 2                | 9,303 1 10  |  | .....     |  |
| Civil Building ... .. | 4,637 7 2                  | 4,121 4 8                  | .....       |  | 516 2 6   |  |
| Total ...             | 13,204 1 6                 | 21,991 0 10                | 9,303 1 10  |  | 516 2 6   |  |

3. IRRIGATION.—The increase of expenditure under this head over that of 1871-72 is owing to the fact that during the year under report a sum of Rupees 15,280 was expended on agricultural purposes from Famine Relief Funds under orders marginally noted.

4. CIVIL BUILDINGS.—In the expenditure of the Original Works under this head there is an increase of Rupees 17,006-3-9 and in Repairs a decrease of Rupees 516-2-6 as compared with those of the last year. The increase in New works is mainly attributable to the construction of the Collector's Cutcherry at Vizagapatam during the year. The decrease is trifling, and calls for no remark. Besides the sum of Rupees 43,616-8-7 expended on Civil buildings by the Public Works Department, an expenditure of Rupees 8,025 was incurred by the Special Assistant Agent on works detailed over leaf.

| Work.                                          | Allotment. | Expenditure. | Date of sanction.                                                                              | Remarks.                                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Special Assistant Agent's House at Koraput. | 5,000      | 5,000        | Government Order, No. 1,422, dated 28th Oct. 1872.                                             | <i>Vide</i> also item No. 11 Original works of Provincial Budget for 1873-74. |
| 2. Subaidiary Jail at Koraput.                 | 4,575      | 2,575        | Government Orders, Nos. 1,165 and 1,625 dated 26th August and 12th December 1872 respectively. | The unexpended balance of Rupees 2,000 was refunded at the close of 1872-73.  |
| 3. Subaidiary Jail at Gunupur.                 | 958        | ...          | Government Order No. 1,165, dated 26th August 1872.                                            | No expenditure was incurred; fresh application will be made for the amount.   |
| 4. Elephants' shed at Koraput.                 | 200        | 200          | Government Order, No. 1,037, dated 2nd August 1872.                                            |                                                                               |
| 5. Taluq Cutcherry at Mulkangiry.              | 250        | 250          | Government Order, No. 1,306, dated 27th September 1872.                                        |                                                                               |
| Total ...                                      | 10,983     | 8,025        |                                                                                                |                                                                               |

5. MISCELLANEOUS.—The grant for clearing jungles and making roads in the Jeypore country for 1872-73, was Rupees 10,000. Of this, Rupees 9,609-4-10 were placed by the Department Public Works at the disposal of this Department, the remaining sum of Rupees 390-11-2 being appropriated by them in payment of Survey operations on the Jeypore Ghat. The above sum of Rupees 9,609-4-10 was allotted as follows:—

|                               | RS.   | A. | P. |
|-------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| Principal Assistant Agent ... | 1,500 | 0  | 0  |
| Senior do. do. ...            | 2,500 | 0  | 0  |
| Special do. do. ...           | 5,609 | 4  | 10 |
|                               | 9,609 | 4  | 10 |

Of this, Rupees 8,552-13-10 were expended during the year and the balance of Rupees 1,056-7-0 refunded. A Statement showing the particulars of expenditure is enclosed.

6. The Government in their Order, No. 950, dated 20th July 1872, sanctioned an annual grant of Rupees 2,000 for three years to supplement the sum to be devoted by the Rajah of Jeypore towards making a road through Mulkangiry to Moat. The allotment for 1872-73 was expended and the work is now in progress.

7. The expenditure on Local Fund roads has not been noticed in this report, agreeably to paragraph 4 of the Board's Proceedings, No. 3,173, dated 31st July 1871.

8. As regards the general condition of the roads, I enclose the notes made at the time of inspection by my predecessor Mr. Melville.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 3.—Progress Reports of Range Officers.

#### ENCLOSURE No. 4.

From J. B. JONES, Esq., Acting Senior Assistant Collector, to J. R. DANIEL, Esq., Acting Collector of Vizagapatam, dated Parvatipur, 8th May 1873, No. 116.

With reference to your letter No. 59 of the 26th ultimo, I have the honour to report that so far as has come under my observation, the road from Gajapatinagaram to Parvatipur is in fair order.

2. I rode over the road from Ramabhadrapuram to Salur in the month of February and found it in excellent order.

3. The road between Vizianagaram and Gajapatinagaram is in good order, excepting in one or two isolated spots.

4. With regard to the road between Parvatipur and Palconda, a great improvement has taken place since last year, but a great deal remained to be done when I passed over the road early in February. Immediately beyond Viraghattom, between it and the tank however, nothing has been done, and the bandies have to pass into a field, as there is a bridge in course of construction.

#### ENCLOSURE No. 5.

From A. CRUICKSHANK, Esq., Principal Assistant Collector, to J. R. DANIEL, Esq., Acting Collector of Vizagapatam, dated Kondakerla, 6th May 1873, No. 120.

With reference to your letter of the 26th April 1873, No. 596, I have the honour to report on the state of such public works as have come under my observation.

2. The road from Ankapilly to Chodavaram has been completed with the exception of a mile or so. Two bridges or tunnels require to be built close to Chodavaram. Portions of this road requiring re-gravelling, for the metalling has become exposed in many places. Between the 2nd and 3rd mile stones the road has been broken up, and there are several holes which require to be filled up. In one or two places, portions on the side of the road have been washed away and require to be repaired. The Engineer is aware of all this, but he could do nothing, as nothing was allowed for the maintenance of the road. A maintenance grant has been provided in this year's budget.

3. The road from Ankapilly to Vizagapatam is on the whole in good order. Near the 14th milestone a little gravel requires to be put on, as the metalling is bare. A little after the 18th milestone the road is not very good, it looks as if it had not been completed there.

4. As to the Trunk Road I need say nothing, as so much has been said regarding it by every one, and its condition is well known.

5. The road from Talapalem to Nursapatam is in good order.

6. The road from Nursapatam to Golconda is entered in the Progress Report sent me by you as completed. The road is in good order for half the way or rather more, but it has never been completed. I suppose the Assistant Engineer means he has spent all that has been sanctioned, as I see he has spent a few annas less than the amount sanctioned.

7. I have not been over the whole of the road from Nursapatam to Polaram, but I have been over the portion between Nursapatam and the trunk road over twenty miles. The greater portion of it is in fair order, but about the 13th or 14th mile it is not good. After the 2nd mile from Nursapatam, there are several small ridges across the road which would be dangerous at night to any one not knowing the road. I spoke to the Assistant Engineer about them, and he promised to have them levelled.

8. The road from Nursapatam to Kondasanta is entered as completed, but half only has been made and is in good order.

9. I have been over six miles of the road from Ankapilly to Pudimadaka, and they are in good order.

10. The Cutcherry at Ellamanchilli is in progress, and I hope it will soon be finished, for the place where the Tahsildar now holds Cutcherry is a wretched building.

11. The Cutcherry at Chodavaram has been completed, but I see from marks on the walls that the roof leaks. This is, I believe, being remedied. The treasury room has been made as if there were no such things as wind and rain. A tatty has to be placed against one of the barred openings.

12. All the Subsidiary Jails appear to be in good order.

13. The Traveller's bungalow at Nakkapilly is very much in need of repair. An estimate was sent in and sanctioned by the Local Fund Board, but the Board of Revenue refused to sanction the appropriation of funds from the source suggested.

14. The roof of the Principal Assistant Collector's Cutcherry leaks, and requires to be repaired.

15. I return the Progress Report received with your letter.

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Memorandum of roads inspected by Mr. Melville.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. There was a considerable increase in expenditure on Civil buildings partly due to the construction of the Collector's Cutcherry but the Collector does not state whether the building is completed or in what stage it is; nor does the report contain any information or details of the irrigation works repaired from Famine Funds. There is nothing to enable the Board to judge of the condition of Public Works in the District.

(True Copies and Extract.)

*J. G. Gole*  
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department,  
with four original enclosures, to be returned.

Copy to the Acting Secretary to Government Revenue Department.  
,, to the Acting Collector of Vizagapatam.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

*To R. F. Munn Sep 15/8*

*Public Works—executed from Imperial and Provincial Funds in Vizagapatam District during 1872-73.—Report from Collector on—submitted to Government. Want of information in report regarding irrigation works repaired from Famine funds, etc., noticed.*

JULY.  
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PROCEEDINGS, 28TH JULY 1873, No. 1,417.

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*Done 18/7/83*