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No. 483. Read the following endorsement of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Fort St. George, 26th March 1873, No. 93:—

From J. H. LATHAM, Esq., Chief Engineer of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R. E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Kurnool, 19th March 1873, No. 13.

RETICULATION

In the *Madras Times* of the 17th inst notice a copy of the Government Order upon "Channels in the Kistna Di ," in which Government order that villagers shall be responsible for the ret on of their villages, and shall find labour and land for that purpose.

2. I have the honour to say that I a six weeks ago for the land for the reticulation of Karimadula and other v but though the Canal Company here are prepared to find the labour for t nels, and Government are willing to pay for the land, there is such unacc le delay in granting permission to begin work, that I am informed only fiv x chains' length had been recently commenced on a small portion of the l channels, for which alone land was made over in one village. For that villag ve a petition signed by the villagers stating a desire to cultivate rice extensive fear that I shall not be allowed to set to work thoroughly in *one* of the many ges requiring reticulation before the end of March. It is quite a farce to all le canal as it were to lie idle, while weeks and months are wasted in questi of the purchase of strips of land for channels, most of which are only a yard b .

3. No wonder villagers do not app for water when they see that, while the application would ensure their having ay water-rate, it is a doubtful ques- tion of months how soon the officers of anal Company would be permitted to open out a channel to supply them. act it is now *evident* that no ryot of ordinary understanding will apply for wa ntil a channel has been made to his field, and that if he have a channel he is ikely to irrigate.

4. It is also more evident than ever t would be beyond human power to prevent a famine should an absolute dearth our.

5. I still receive from Overseers sta ents of the interference of villagers with channels, where it is proposed to m them, as they have been made, *on sufference* through one man's land, in ord reach the standing crop of another ryot.

6. I am turning off fifty bankers at th of this month from their legitimate work of perfecting the reticulation, and have to employ them on the special repairs as much as possible.

7. I hope that you will, when bri fore Government this momentous difficulty, which prevents my irrigatin es without a delay severally and consecutively of apparently two months village, spent in bargaining before I can enter on the land, support son of Government for the removal of the evil.

8. I simply need permission to ma ld-channels before, instead of after, the bargain for the land. This is very more convenient for the ryots who constantly come forward with suggesti r alterations of course while the channel is being made. The value of th d in any one man's field is so small

that such a permission could not le
o any oppression. The villagers of Bhoja-

num, I was informed by the Deput
ollector, have petitioned him for channels,

and I am sure every village is desiro
have them. It seems hard that all should

wait while a Revenue Inspector hag
with each of the 300 to 600 ryots, one by

one, in one village after another.

9. It is quite needless for me
go on applying for land when each village

takes so long. I have submitted
llowing applications, and will there rest

until I learn the views of Govern

Village.	Ten link channels.		Minor.		Remarks.
	M.	C.	M.	C.	
Karimadula*	2	53	1	17	* Deputy Collector began the work of bargaining for this village, with emergent haste, five weeks ago and some land in it is now made over.
Paramatoor	1	20	0	43½	
Bhojanum	2	31	...	...	
Regadigudur	1	18	...	...	
Possarai	5	57	4	6	
Billakal Gudur	0	31	...	....	
Korapolur	...	...	...	...	
Velapanur	1	76	...	...	
Wanalla	0	42	...	....	
Tudicherla	...	...	...	...	
Total...	17	28	5	66½	

SUBMITTED for the considerat
overnment.

2. The scope of the order
d to by the Chief Engineer, Madras Irri-

gation and Canal Company, is not exactly
that indicated by Mr. Latham in the first

paragraph of this letter. It rel
y to the up-keep and management of the

existing distribution arrangemen
ividual villages.

3. For the delay occasione
requirement that land necessary for the

Company's channels shall be purcl
ore the channels are commenced a remedy

may generally easily be found,
bly in most cases the villagers would not

object to the construction of thes
channels of distribution, in anticipation

of the measurement and purchase
and required, if they were duly informed

that their claim to compensation
in no way affected. The benefit to the

villagers themselves as a body w
n be considerable, and such an arrange-

ment would often prevent the
ion of channels before they might be

required, by ensuring speedy exe
rectly a demand for water arose.

(Signed) J MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

No. 484. ORDER THI
April 1873, No. 1,218.

IRRIGATION, No. 29.

COMMUNICATED to the Revenue De-

be made for facilitating the cons
partment; with a view to its being

considered whether arrangements cannot
f field-channels, in connection with the

* G. O., No. 713, dated 5th March

Madras Irrigation and Canal Company's
al, by obtaining the concurrence of

the villagers to their channels being execu
as soon as they have been laid out,

and in anticipation of the regular acquisiti
f the land, it being understood that

the claims to compensation will be in
ay affected, and that these will be

adjusted as soon as possible.

(True E

Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
nt Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Agent and Manager of the Madras Irr Canal Company.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

Rec'd 27th Dec 1873 Answ'd 11 Jan

Office of the Board of Health
Rec'd 27th Dec 1873 Answ'd 11 Jan

Mr. Wm. Dick

Dear Sir

I am directed by the Board of Health to request that you will cause the Cellar of your premises No. 7 Bay Street to be cleansed and limed forthwith.

Yours truly
Wm. Dick
Secretary

Dec 27th 1873

Mr. M7
Directed Letter Board of Health
Grants Asylums

14 May 13

Rec'd 30th Dec 1873