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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
14th March 1877.

Famine Relief.

No. 472. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th March 1877, No. 1094:—

Read the following letter from J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to H. E. ST[illegible] cretary to the Board of Revenue, da[illegible] 28th February 18[illegible]

I HAVE the honor to submit, for the consideration and early orders of the Board, a copy of a letter (dated 26th February 1877, No. 168) received from the Head Assistant Collector.

2. Some correspondence has been passing between Mr. Benson and myself regarding the employment of coolies in his division. There is plenty of work to do, but estimates for it have not been made and sanctioned. It is true as the Head Assistant Collector says that the officers of the Public Works Department have so much to do that they cannot prepare what we require. I cannot afford to send any of the Engineering staff under my control to make estimates for works to be taken in hand. The orders regarding clearing up the amounts already spent are so imperative that the Engineers must be employed solely in measuring up and estimating for works already done. One officer is engaged upon this duty in Cuddapah, another in Madanapally, and the third in Kadiri, and there is much more to be got through when these taluqs are completed.

3. Mr. Benson is evidently in a real difficulty. I have forbidden the commencement of any works excepting on a sanctioned estimate, and there are none of these ready. His coolies will soon be without employment.

There appears to me but one of two courses open, either to begin the Kodur and Chitwail road on a rough estimate of Rupees 2,000 per mile, leaving the detailed estimate to be prepared and sent up for sanction afterwards, or to send all the coolies down to the Cheyaur Railway embankment. It is doubtful in this latter case whether Mr. West can take them on. I am however writing to him on the subject.

I have countersigned the estimates for the embanking of the Cheyaur (not on account of the Railway) which amounts to over a lakh and a quarter Rupees, and have returned them to the District Engineer for transmission to Government, but there is the possibility that sanction may be refused, and even if it is accorded some time must necessarily clapse before operations can be commenced. Meanwhile, the coolies of the Pullumpett Taluq will have nothing to do.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From R. S. BENSON, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Pullumpett, 26th February 1877, No. 168.

As directed in paragraph 1 of your letter, extra No. 128, dated 15th February 1877, I have taken the coolies off the Kodur to Chitwail road, and I have again applied to the Public Works Department to send in an estimate for it.

2. They are overworked and more than fully employed in preparing their own estimates and carrying out their own works. They have very little time to make estimates for our roads. The road is seventeen miles long, and I believe their departmental rules forbid them to send an estimate for a part only of a project. I therefore fear it may be months before the work can be duly sanctioned.

3. Meantime, I have no works in the neighbourhood to which so large a body of men (2,400) can with advantage be sent. To employ more than ten or twenty people on each well is wasteful, and a good deal of such work can only be done by Wudders. The only existing road near K[illegible]s the main road to Cuddapah. It is in excellent order, and little or no repairs can [illegible] it. For the present the coolies have been sent to work beyond Settigunta, nine miles [illegible] that road also being part of the Ko[illegible] Pulally road was undertaken long ago without sa[illegible] to keep it for t[illegible] these parts, but now the work w[illegible] the party is t[illegible]

4. On the other hand, [illegible] for want o[illegible] can occur by working the Kodur-Chetwail road. The line was carefully surveyed in easy times by the Public Works Department and has been marked for fifteen miles. It is a road which must be made in any case. Indeed, the Local Fund Board began it some time ago, and it ought to be carried out now by relief labor. Of course the people may be told to go to the Cheyaur works, but that is thirty miles off, and it seems a pity to send them so far when useful work is beside their homes.

5. I shall submit the estimate immediately on its receipt. Meantime the probable cost may be set down at Rupees 34,000, *i.e.*, Rupees 2,000 per mile, and, if possible, I beg of you, under the circumstances, to obtain emergent sanction for its execution.

6. I am persuaded that both the economy and efficiency of the relief operations in that part of the taluq will be injured by each day that sanction is delayed.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. W. JOHNSTON,
Special Deputy Collector,
for Acting Collector.

As a special case, the Board permit the Collector to proceed with the Kodur-Chitwail road which is marked out but not estimated for. Mr. Benson appears to have hitherto succeeded in getting fair work out of his coolies and preventing waste, and the Board have confidence that he will continue to do so. The estimate should be submitted as soon as possible.

2. As the case is emergent the following telegram will be sent to the Collector :—

MISCELLANEOUS No. 3,384.

"Proceed with Kodur-Chitwail road."

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 473.

ORDER THEREON, 14th March 1877, No. 1075.

Miscellaneous.

THE Board's Proceedings are confirmed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government,

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Public Works Department.
" the Financial Department.
" the Accountant-General.

Exd A. Raitt.

Govt. of (1877) Madras.

REVENUE.

The BOARD of REVENUE, &c., &c.

Dated March 1877.

Read.

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G.O., 14th March 1877, No. 1075.

MARCH.

Nos. 472-473.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 734.

Relief Chittoor Road, Head Assistant Collector's Division, Cuddapah District.—Confirming the Board's Proceedings permitting the Collector, as a special case, to proceed with the — which is marked out but not estimated for.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No.

From Revd. Bd.

Dated March 8th 1877.

FOR ORDERS.

Whether the formation of the road from Kodur to Chittoor (which is about [illegible] miles long & is likely to cost 34000 Rs) is to be proceeded with or not. The Bd have sanctioned it as a special [illegible] as a special case, because otherwise Mr. Benson's coolies will be wanting work. There are 2400 of them apparently. Mr. Price has countersigned & sent back to the Bd. Engineer the plans & estimates for the Cheyair embankment amounting to 1/4 lakh. This work will afford ample employment for numbers of coolies when commenced.

J. H. [illegible]

9/3/77

No. Send the coolies to E. Coast Canal – with directions to arrange for their journey.

[illegible] 12/3

I do not approve. There is test work under Mr. [illegible] Board & the other bank has not been sanctioned. [illegible]

12/3 [illegible]

Order sanctioned – or rather confirm the Bd's Procs. sanction to progress with the work. It is practically already in hand [illegible] 14.3

FOR ORDERS.

Council

QC 14 March 77 No 1075.

Chairman's

Revenue Depart 1877/15

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 9th March 1877.
No. 1094
Read the following
letter.

Board's P. 2322 From J. F. Price Esqr
Collector of Cuddalore

To H. Sconce Esqr
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir

I have the honour to submit for the consideration and early orders of the Board a copy of a letter received from the Head Assistant Collector

*dated 26th Feb 1877 No. 160.

2. Some correspondence has been passing between the Revenue and myself regarding the employment of Police in this Division. There is plenty of work to do but

estimates for it have not been made and sanctioned. It is true as the Headquarters Collector says that the officers of the D. P. W. have so much to do that they cannot prepare what we require. I cannot afford to send any of the Engineering staff under my control to make estimates for works to be taken in hand. The orders regarding clearing up the accounts already spent are so imperative that the Engineers must be employed solely in measuring up and estimating for works already done.

one officer is engaged upon this duty in Cuddalore, another in Coimbatore and the third in Kolar and there is much more to be got through before these Tolls are completed.

3. Our Revenue is evidently in a real difficulty. I have forbidden the commencement of any works excepting on a sanctioned estimate and there are none of these ready. His Coolies will soon be without employment.

There appears to me but one of two courses open either to begin the Kodur and Chitvail roads on a rough estimate of Rupees 2000 per mile leaving the detailed estimate

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to do.

I have &c.

Cuddapah Collr's Office } J. W. Sherston
25th February 1877 } Spl. Dy Collr for
issuing Coolies

Enclosure.

No. 168.

From Thirty Rd Appd Collector
Cuddapah

To The Issuing Officer of
Cuddapah

Sir,

As directed in para 1.
of your letter Etra No. 129 dated
15th February 77, I have taken
the Coolies off the Kodur to
Chitvail road - and I have

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estimates and carrying out
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=mates for our roads. The
road is 17 miles long, and
I believe their departmental
rules forbid them to send
an estimate for a part only
of a project. I, therefore, fear
it may be months before the
work can be duly sanctioned.
2. Meantime there are no
works in the neighbourhood
to which so large a body of men

(2406) can with advantage be
sent. To employ more than
10 or 20 people on each piece
of such work can only be
done by Waddlers. The only
existing road near Kodur
is the main road to Cudda-
=pah. It is in excellent
=pair, and little or no repair
can be made to it. For the
present the Coolies have been
sent to work beyond Metti-
=gunta 9 miles from Kodur;
but that road also being part
of the Kodur, Balpally road
was undertaken long ago or
without sanction. Had hoped

to keep it for the coolies (very poor) of those parts, but now the work will soon be finished and the party is too large to work economically.

3. On the other hand a little waste for want of funds cannot be saved by working the Kodur-Chitradil road. The line may carefully surveyed in every time by the D. P. W. and has been marked for 10 miles. It is a road which must be made in any case. Indeed the Local Fund Board began it some time ago; and it ought to be carried out now

now by relief labour. Of course the people may be told to go to the Cheyair works, but that is 30 miles off and it seems a pity to send them as for when useful work is beside their homes.

4. I shall submit on its receipt a counterfoil the probable cost may be about Rupees 34,000, or about Rupees 600 per mile i.e. Rupees 600 per mile and if possible I beg of you under the circumstances to obtain urgent sanction for its execution.

5 I am persuaded that

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ciency of the relief operations
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will be injured by each
day that execution is
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I have &c.

(sd) H. A. Collis Offg Dy Collr
Camp Pallampett
26 February 1877.

(sd) R. L. Benson
Asst Collr

(True Copy)

(sd) J. W. Johnston
Spl Dy Collr for Collr.

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2. As the case is urgent
grant the following telegram
will be sent to the Collector.
"Proceed with Kodur Chitvail road."

(True Copy) Dr. Hall
for Secretary

To The Collector of Cuddapah

(True Copy)

W. Elliott
Secretary

To The Additional Secretary to
Government R. D.

Consulate of the U.S. of America
Berlin Germany

Dated January 14th 1877

Subject

Reports that
Consulate
has received
from Prussian authorities
the Federal Extradition
Act of 1874
with request
that certain
copies thereof
be furnished
to the Reichstag
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Mr. Bancroft Davis
Asst Secretary of State
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