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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 27th July 1877.

Read the following letter from P. PUNDARIKAKSHUDU, Acting Salt Deputy Collector, to W. S. FOSTER, Esq., Collector of the Godavery District, dated Linganaboyanacherla, 23rd June 1877, No. 61 :—

I HAVE the honor to report on salt roads during the past official year 1876-77.

2. As you are aware there are no roads in this district which are intended only for salt traffic, which is generally carried on by boats plying on the ancient canals which extend almost in every direction. Salt is carried into the interior in some cases, however, by bandies going on the Kottipalli and other roads which are maintained in generally good order at the expense of the Local Fund Boards.

3. There are a few roads in the Penuguduru salt station as reported last year. Their length is about five miles. The breadth of roads going to platforms is generally 3 yards and their height $\frac{3}{4}$ of a yard. These roads are used by bandies coming for purchasing salt. The roads from the platforms to the salt creek are generally only 2 yards broad and $1\frac{1}{2}$ or 2 feet high. On these roads salt is carried to the boats in the creek. The roads in existence provide communication to all the platforms and may be said to be sufficient in number. Of all the roads, only one going from the Kottipalli road to the Vayichenu platform, about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile in length, is gravelled, all the others being made only of earth. The latter are consequently very muddy in winter and are sometimes impassable.

On each occasion of rain falling the roads are much damaged, the ends being washed away by the rush of water. It would be well to widen them a little, gravel them and turf their sides. Rupees 4,000 were provided during the year for gravelling them, besides a Rupees 1,000 for turfing them, &c., but the former allotment had to be surrendered on account of the financial pressure.

If funds are not available for gravelling, I would propose widening the roads and turfing their sides for the present, and even this may be made gradually. The gravelled road also requires repair.

4. At Linganaboyanacherla Salt Station there are no roads and none are required, the soil being sandy. There is a road to Nursapur, which has only lately been made. Its length is 2,400 yards.

5. The expenditure on the roads was as follows :—

<i>Penuguduru Road.</i>						RS.	A.	P.
1874-75	...	...	...	...	...	175	0	0
1875-76	...	...	...	...	...	489	8	8
1876-77	...	...	...	...	...	156	4	7
<i>Road to Nursapur.</i>								
1875-76	...	...	...	...	...	2,683	6	5

No. 183.

FORWARDED to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, with reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated 16th June 1875, No. 1,645.

COCANADA,
10th July 1877.

(Signed) W. S. FOSTER,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.
(A true Copy and Extract.)

W. S. Foster
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
Copy to the Collector of the Godavery District.
" " Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Encl. W. J. Lewis.

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