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Read the following letter from H. ST. A. GOODRICH, Esq., Acting Collector of Vizagapatam, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vizagapatam, 14th June 1877, No. 614:—

I have the honor to submit my report on the public works executed in this district during the official year 1876-77, together with the statements prescribed by the Board in their Circular Memorandum No. 2,044 of 7th December 1875. The progress reports submitted by the range officers also accompany.

The following statement compares the expenditure incurred during 1876-77 with that of 1875-76 on New Works and Repairs:—

Items.	Expenditure in 1875-76.	Expenditure in 1876-77.	Increase.	Decrease.
IMPERIAL.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Irrigation { New Works...	1,881 5 3	2,003 0 3	121 11 0	...
Irrigation { Repairs ...	16,917 4 0	15,288 15 4	...	1,628 4 8
Communications { New Works...	...	...	...	...
Communications { Repairs ...	2,059 15 2	Not known.	...	...
Total ...	20,858 8 5	17,291 15 7	121 11 0	1,628 4 8
PROVINCIAL.				
Buildings... { New Works...	13,806 11	13,981 9 6	174 14 5	...
Buildings... { Repairs ...	2,985 8 2	4,442 1 7	1,456 9 5	...
Communications { New Works...	15,139 5 0	10,739 7 1	...	4,399 13 11
Communications { Repairs ...	4,505 10 10	4,134 10 2	...	371 0 8
Total ...	36,437 3	33,297 12 4	1,631 7 10	4,770 14 7
LOCAL FUNDS.				
Communications { New Works...	56,854 13 8	48,409 12 2	...	8,445 1 6
Communications { Repairs ...	86,591 10	85,946 6 1	...	645 4 6
Educational { New Works...	1,489 11	271 5 5	...	1,218 5 11
Educational { Repairs ...	...	100 11 0	100 11 0	...
Sanitary and { New Works...	9,347 14	2,965 9 4	...	6,382 4 8
Miscellaneous { Repairs ...	442 15	126 13 9	...	316 1 11
Total ...	1,54,727 1	1,37,820 9 9	100 11 0	17,007 2 6

2. IMPERIAL—Irrigation, New Works.—A sum of Rupees 2,000 was allotted under this head for expenditure in the Golconda and Sarvasiddhi Taluqs, and Rupees 2,003-0-3 were spent in constructing certain tank sluices, &c., in the two Taluqs.

3. Repairs.—Rupees 20,000 were provided for repairs in the Irrigation Budget for 1876-77, but the amount was subsequently reduced to Rs. 15,310; a sum of Rupees 15,288-15-4 was spent in repairing thirty-nine tanks, twenty-nine canals and some other minor irrigation works.

4. Communications.—The Cantonment and the District in Vizagapatam and Vizianagram are in good order.

5. *PROVINCIAL—Communications, New Works.*—A provision of Rupees 20,000 was made in the Provincial Budget for 1876-77 for the construction of the new Pottinghi Ghaut road; but it was subsequently reduced to Rupees 10,063; a sum of Rupees 11,142-6-4 appears to have been spent by the Public Works Department on the work against Rupees 11,559-6-6 in the preceding year. The progress made during the year under report is not shown in the progress report submitted by the range officer. He has been called upon to explain the omission. The ghaut is still impassable for elephants, and the lower part, viz., that below Sunki, possesses such gradients that if it is completed, which is improbable, it will be useless.

A sum of Rupees 10,000 was sanctioned in the Provincial Budget for 1876-77 on account of New Works to be executed in the Special Assistant Agent's Division. But as a sum of Rupees 5,579-14-6 spent in 1875-76 had to be debited to the above grant under G.O., dated 22nd August 1876, No. 1,513, the actual amount available for expenditure during the year under review was only Rupees 4,420-1-6. Of this amount the Special Assistant Agent utilized within the official year Rupees 2,839-3-2, and refunded the balance of Rupees 1,580-14-4 into the Treasury.

6. *Repairs.*—On the old Pachipenta and Turner's Ghaut roads, a sum of Rupees 1,442-1-7 out of the grant of Rupees 2,000 sanctioned for the purpose is reported to have been spent.

The whole allotment sanctioned under this head for expenditure by the Revenue Department, viz., Rupees 3,000, was utilized by the Special Assistant Agent.

A statement showing the particulars of expenditure incurred by the Revenue Department on New Works and Repairs is herein enclosed.

7. *Buildings, New Works.*—The grant under this head at the disposal of the Public Works Department for the year under report was Rupees 3,275, but it was subsequently raised to Rupees 10,586, of which Rupees 10,311-4-4 were utilized in constructing the Special Assistant Agent's bungalow at Koraput, the school-house at Anakapalli, twelve Police huts at Bimlipatam, and some other minor works. There has been a failure (which the District Engineer regrets and will do his best to remedy) to push on the sub-jail work at Koraput, little or no useful work has yet been done.

A sum of Rupees 750 was sanctioned by Government in their Order No. 2,470, dated 22nd November 1875, for three bungalows in the Golconda hills. The bungalows were constructed by the Revenue Department at a cost of Rupees 428-2-9.

8. *Repairs.*—A provision of Rupees 4,500 was made in the Budget for repairing certain Civil Buildings, but the amount was subsequently reduced to Rupees 4,226. Of this, Rs. 4,134-10-2 were spent by the Public Works Department in repairing the District Court, Collector's Office, Lunatic Asylum, the Church at Waltair, Set Customs Office at Vizagapatam, station-houses at Lakavarapukota and Vizianagram, and some other buildings.

9. *LOCAL FUNDS—Communications, New Works.*—A sum of Rupees 46,070 was originally provided in the Local Fund Budget for 1876-77 for expenditure on roads by the Public Works Department and Rupees 6,450 by Other Agency. The grant at the disposal of the Public Works Department was subsequently reduced to Rupees 45,919. Of this, Rupees 43,657-9-6 were spent during the year against Rupees 56,854-13-8 in the previous year. Out of the allotment for New Works to be executed by Other Agency, Rupees 3,448-14-0 were spent in constructing and keeping in repair the country cross-roads, and Rupees 1,903-4-8 in constructing four platform boats for use in certain rivers. The length of the country cross-roads constructed and maintained is 107 miles and 1,528 yards.

10. *Repairs.*—The grant for Repair subsequent allotments to Rupees 85,840. The year under review against Rupees 86 were spent by the Public Works Department; the latter amount, Rupees 1,500 were expended in repair, and Rupees 1,100 by the Senior Pur to Chollampadam and to Kurapam, 27

The cyclone of October last caused The important bridges at Chittivalsa and bridges. The Local Fund Board proposed Maharajah of Vizianagram, K.C.S.I., for gedda on the road between Vizianagram and the approaches are too steep and require fu

11. *Road from Chipurupalli to Palac* it is in better order than before.

12. *The Great Northern Trunk R* to Chicacole was impassable during the 1 tioned in the Budget of 1876-77 for com

as Rupees 81,600, but the amount was raised by expenditure amounted to Rupees 85,946-6-1 during 10-7 in the preceding year; Rupees 83,346-6-1 Rupees 2,600 by the Revenue Department. Of y the Salt Deputy Collector in keeping salt roads at Collector in repairing the roads from Parvati- n length.

damage to almost all the roads in the district. ram were destroyed, besides several other minor rrow Rupees 20,000 from His Highness the g the Chittivalsa Bridge. The bridge at Oota- rupalli was completed, and is in good order, but improvement.

—A good deal of work was done on this road, and

the northern portion of this road from Kosta ar. A sum of Rupees 15,000 was sanc- tioned at this end of the road. The work has been

completed as far as Chilakalapalem, about six miles from Chicacole, at a cost of Rupees 14,782. The remaining six miles will be completed during the current year. The southern portion of this road between Tuni and Nakkapalli is hardly passable. During the year 1875-76 an estimate, amounting to Rupees 14,400, was sanctioned in G.O., No. 1,316, dated 24th June 1875, for special repairs to this road, but the late District Engineer proposed considerable changes in the work, and a revised estimate is under preparation.

13. *Road from Palcondah to Parvatipur.*—A portion of this road from Palcondah, to Viraghattam is in fairly good order, but from this place to Parvatipur the road is in a very unsatisfactory state. Near the Venkamma tank a breach has not yet been repaired. A sum of Rupees 7,570 appears to have been spent on New Works, and Rupees 2,599 on Repairs on this portion of the road; but no traces can be found of what has been done of this large expenditure. The road is almost in the same state as it was.

14. *Road from Parvatipur to Vizianagram.*—This road is in a bad condition as far as Maradam, and from this place to Vizianagram it is worse.

15. *Road from Palcondah to Chicacole.*—This road is in a bad order. It is lumpy and full of dust holes.

16. *Road from Ramabhadrapur to Salur.*—The road is in bad order with the exception of one mile.

17. *Salt Roads.*—The salt roads are in a very bad condition. They were breached in several places during the late cyclone, and the maintenance grant provided in the Local Fund Budget was quite insufficient to put them in thorough repair.

A sum of Rupees 5,000 was spent during the year in constructing the road from Pentacotta to Tuni; three miles and 200 yards of the road have been gravelled and four miles of earthwork completed.

The road from Konada to Kopperla is in fair order.

18. *Road from Narsipatam to Polavaram.*—This road lost Rupees 1,000 of its allotment as the Overseer in charge, who is reported incompetent for his present charge, could not utilise the whole amount. That part of this road between Polavaram and Timmapuram was not repaired.

19. *Educational, New Works.*—A sum of Rupees 196-5-5 was spent in completing the Local Fund school-house at Parvatipur, the only new work executed by the Public Works Department under this head during 1876-77. Rupees 75 were sanctioned by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 763, dated 10th January 1877, for adding a verandah round the above building and spent by the Deputy Tahsildar of Parvatipur to whom the work was entrusted.

20. *Repairs.*—Of the grant of Rupees 180 provided in the Budget for repairs to certain educational buildings, Rupees 100-11-0 were expended by the Revenue Department in repairing the following school-sheds:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Local Fund School shed at Lakavarapucota	12	4	0
Do. do. sheds at Lakavarapucota, Sigadam	52	11	0
Do. do. and Pondur	8	12	0
Do. do. shed at Maradam	27	0	0
Do. do. do. at Pondur			
Total	100	11	0

The Local Fund schools at Lakavarapucota and Pondur had to be repaired a second time on account of the damages of the cyclone in October last.

21. *Sanitary and Miscellaneous, New Works.*—The original grant for New Works under Sanitary and Miscellaneous was Rupees 7,340, but it was reduced to Rupees 2,634. The expenditure amounted to Rupees 2,965-9-4 against Rupees 9,347-14-0 in the preceding year. The decrease is due to the increased expenditure during 1875-76 in constructing five Civil Dispensaries.

The allotment for the year under report was used as follows:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Planting avenues along the road from Vizagapatam to	657	1	8
Vemulavalasa			
Do. do. Aganampudi	179	13	0
towards Tuni	299	6	1
Do. do. Thal			
Planting a tope at the angular s	431	0	0
junction of the Chicacole and Viz			
gram roads			
Total	1,567	4	9

The following dispensaries were completed during the year :—

Names of Dispensaries.	Expenditure in 1876-77.			Remarks.
	RS.	A.	P.	
Local Fund Dispensary at Bobbili...	507	8	1	Completed.
Do. do. at Yellamanchili ...	143	4	6	Do.
Do. do. at Srungavarapukota ...	299	6	3	Do.

A pandal was added to the Civil Dispensary at Narsipatam at a cost of Rupees 58, and two Dead Houses were built for Rupees 390-1-9, one at Narsipatam and the other at Parvatipur.

22. *Repairs.*—An allotment of Rupees 400 was sanctioned in the Budget. It was subsequently reduced to Rupees 349. Of this Rupees 126-13-9 were spent by the Public Works Department in constructing a cook-house and a stable at the travellers' bungalow at Nakkapalli and in repairing the travellers' bungalow at Renada.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 7.—Statements.

SUBMITTED to Government.

2. The amount devoted to Irrigation New Works in this district is insignificant as compared with that in other districts. The amount spent in 1876-77 on agricultural repairs showed a slight decrease as compared with 1875-76.

3. The statement given by the Collector in paragraph 1 under the heading "Provincial" appears to be incorrect, and should, it is presumed, stand as follows, judging from the statement of progress of works, and from the remarks made by the Collector himself in paragraphs 5 and 6 :—

Item.	Expenditure in 1875-76.			Expenditure in 1876-77.			Increase.			Decrease.			
<i>Provincial.</i>	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
Communications. {	New Works ...	15,130	5	0	13,981	9	6	...	...	...	1,157	11	6
	Repairs ...	4,505	10	10	4,442	1	7	...	...	...	63	9	3
Buildings... {	New Works ...	13,806	11	1	10,739	7	1	...	...	...	3,067	4	0
	Repairs ...	2,985	8	2	4,134	10	2	1,149	2	0	...	...	...
Total ...		36,457	3	1	33,297	12	4	1,149	2	0	4,288	8	9.

4. Under Provincial, Communications, district, there was a slight decrease in the designed to open up the Jeypore country, Public Works. The Board would draw attention to the fact that it is now five years since this ghat was opened up, and it seems to be as far as it is the only point at which an attempt has been made to open up the country; it was under construction by the Zemindar prior to 1872, and was in the order that it might be skilfully supervised. Steps may be taken for its more rapid completion. Rupees 2,840 on the construction of a road from the ghat to the station, and against assignment of Rupees 4,421 and against the amount assigned for Repairs, or 1,149.

5. Under Provincial Buildings, No. 1, against an allotment of Rupees 750, and for Provincial Buildings, Repairs, there was no pro-

gress of works, which form a prominent feature in this district, at provided in 1876-77. The Pottinghi Ghat, only work in hand under the Department of Public Works. The Board would draw attention to the Collector's remarks at paragraph 5 on this subject, and to the fact that the Department of Public Works is now in the charge of the Department of Public Works. The Government are aware that the ghat was made to open the Jeypore Zemindari to wheeled traffic, and the Assistant Agent from funds supplied by the Government. The progress accelerated. The Board trust that the Revenue Department in Jeypore spent Rupees 429 on the construction of a road from the ghat to the station, against an available amount of Rupees 1,127 spent in 1875-76. Under Provincial Buildings, Repairs, there was no outlay.

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6. The following table compares expenditure with allotments generally under Imperial and Provincial for 1876-77 :—

Heading.		Allotment.	Expenditure.	Percentage.
		RS.	RS.	RS.
<i>Imperial.</i>				
Irrigation	New Works ...	2,000	2,003	100.15
	Repairs ...	15,310	15,289	99.86
<i>Provincial.</i>				
Communications.	New Works ...	20,063	13,982	69.69
	Repairs ...	5,000	4,442	88.84
Buildings	New Works ...	11,336	10,739	94.73
	Repairs ...	4,226	4,135	97.84
<i>Local Fund.</i>				
Communications.	New Works ...	53,369	49,010	91.83
	Repairs ...	88,440	85,946	97.18
Educational	New Works ...	5,700	271	4.75
	Repairs ...	180	101	56.11
Sanitary and	New Works ...	4,549	2,966	65.20
	Repairs ...	349	127	36.39
Miscellaneous.	New Works ...	97,017	78,971	81.40
	Repairs ...	1,13,505	1,10,040	96.94
Total	Repairs ...			

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Additional Sub-Secretary.

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Collector of Vizagapatam.
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