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24th February 1877.*

No. 773. Read the following letter from H. G. TURNER, Esq., C.S., Acting Postmaster-General, Madras, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 16th February 1877, No. 10,842-3,740:—

WITH reference to G.Os., Nos. 68 and 83, dated 9th and 10th January 1877, I have the honor to state that the line between Cumbum and Cuddapah was opened on 16th January 1877, and is now used for the conveyance of the local, &c., mails.

I subjoin copy of a report from the Inspector, Nellore Division, No. 598, dated 30th January 1877, reporting particulars of the arrangement.

As the line would seem to be an advantageous one generally for the public service, the Director-General of the Post Offices of India will be addressed in view to its being admitted as an experimental Imperial line. If this is sanctioned and the experiment proves successful, *i.e.*, if the line be self-supporting, the cost will fall on the Imperial Department. Otherwise it will be with the Madras Government to arrange for its up-keep.

Copy of a communication from the Inspector of Post Offices, Nellore Division, to the Postmaster-General, Madras, No. 598, dated 30th January 1877.

I HAVE the honor to report with further reference to your Orders, Nos. 9,540-3,740-A and 9,546-3,740, dated 18th January 1877.

2. I received your telegram and Order No. 9,341, dated 11th January 1877, with copy of the Order of the Madras Government, on the 12th. I left the same night for Poramamilla and engaged the required establishment, which I started off with an Overseer on the 13th to be placed along stages towards Cumbum. All arrangements were made ready by the 15th, but to allow the men a day's rest the line was not opened until the 16th, and due notice of the same was given to the Collector of Kurnool, Head Assistant Collector at Cumbum, and also to the Police Officers in view to orders being given for the protection of the mails which would travel through during day and night.

3. I beg to submit the required tabular statement for the temporary establishment required for six months on this line, and I trust that the items will be found satisfactory with the following explanation for each.

I. *Two Additional Runners between Budwail and Poramamilla.*—In your Order No. 5,847-2,354, dated 23rd September 1876, you were pleased to approve of the reduction of one of the three runners so that Poramamilla may be served with an alternative day mail. This reduction was duly carried out. It has now become necessary to maintain the 21 miles of line with the full complement of four runners by allowing two temporary hands on Rupees 7 each per mensem.

II. *Poramamilla to Cumbum Extension, 48 miles.*—This extension will place Cumbum in early communication with places south, Cuddapah, Madras, &c. Rupees 7 per mensem has been allowed as salary to induce proper men to take temporary employment, and consideration had to be given to present prevailing prices of grain of all kinds. These men will not be entitled to any famine allowance when same is sanctioned for permanent runners.

III. *Overseer, Budwail to Cumbum, Total Length 69 miles.*—On account of the hilly features of the country and the distances between offices immediate supervision over runners is really necessary. Taking into consideration the length of line and present scarcity, the salary of the Overseer has been fixed at Rupees 20 per mensem, and the services of one who appears in every way efficient and active have been obtained.

Fire sticks.—I have not entered here for these. An allowance of 4 Annas per month per stage for eight stages, or in all Rupees 2 would, I think, be ample, and the cost might be passed as a contingent charge on the usual bill being sent in.

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4. Thirty-six miles of the line is in the Kurnool District and the remainder 65 miles up to Cuddapah are in the Cuddapah District. The pay of the establishment may be sanctioned to be drawn by the Cuddapah Disbursing Post Office, as arrangement for disbursement could be easily made from here.

5. The list of stages accompanies this letter as an enclosure.

6. I beg that measures be taken for the disbursement of the pay of the establishment at an early date in each month, as at this trying season efficient maintenance of the line cannot be kept up unless this is done. I trust, therefore, that the Treasury Officer at Cuddapah be authorized, through the Accountant-General, to pass the bills in anticipation of sanction.

7. I beg reconsideration of your Order No. 9,540-3,740-A, dated 18th January 1877, to modify my instructions to the Deputy Postmaster of Cumbum, as the line is working, and will work so satisfactorily, that the transmission of correspondence between Cumbum and Cuddapah, Madras, &c., are saved a delay of 24 hours by this line than if sent *via* Ongole and Nellore to Renegunta. I hope eventually to submit proposals for permanently establishing this line which I feel would be much appreciated. The present temporary arrangement will, I trust, prove beneficial in furnishing the required reasons for the contemplated proposals. A rough sketch accompanies, showing particulars of the direct line and of that *via* Nellore and Ongole.

<i>Via Nellore.</i>		<i>Via Cuddapah.</i>	
Madras departure ...	6 P.M.	Madras ...	6 P.M.
Tripatty (Renegunta) ...	11 P.M.	Cuddapah ...	5 A.M. next morning.
Nellore ...	4 P.M. next day.	Sidicut ...	7 A.M.
Ongole ...	9 A.M. do.	Badwail ...	12 noon.
Cumbum ...	2 A.M. do.	Poranamilla ...	4 P.M.
1st Delivery ...	6 A.M.	Cumbum ...	2 A.M. next morning.
	60 hours.	1st Delivery ...	6 A.M.
Distance by road ...	223 miles.		36 hours.
		Distance by road ...	101 miles.

(True Copy)

(Signed) H. G. TURNER,
Acting Postmaster-General.

List of Runners' Stages between Badwail and Cumbum—Distance 69 Miles.

No.	Stages.	Miles.	No. of Runners.	Remarks.
1	Poiliguntla ...	10	1	1 Additional to permanent runner.
2	Poranamilla ...	11	1	Do. do.
3	Venkatapuram ...	10	2	
4	Komarole ...	10	2	
5	Tadicherla ...	10	2	
7	Moksugundum ...	9	2	
8	Cumbum ...	9	2	
		69	12	Extra.

(Signed) H. D. THEOBALD,
Inspector, Post Offices,
Nellore Division.

Cuddapah,
30th January 1877.

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774. ORDER THEREON, 24th February 1877, No. 816.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

the Board of Revenue.
the Postmaster-General.

T. D. Ryan

No. 10842
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FROM

H. G. Turner Esq. C. S.

Ag. Postmaster General,

MADRAS.

TO

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Revenue Department,

FORT SAINT GEORGE.

SIR,

With reference to G.O. No. 68 and 83 dated 9th and 10th January 1877, I have the honor to state that the Line between Cimbam and Cuddapah was opened on 15th January 1877, and is now used for the conveyance of the Local Ye Mails.

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

No. 773-774.

Dated February 24th.

Recd.

G.O. No. 24th February 1877, No. 816.

FEBRUARY.

No. 773-774.

Mail Line between Cimbam and Cuddapah. — Recording letter from Postmaster-General stating that the — was opened on the 15th Jan and that the Director-General of Post Office be addressed to advise it experimentally as 1877 advantageous one.

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Sir,

Your most obedient servant

H. Turner

Ag. Postmaster General.

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on a large scale as the H. & on

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II. Poranamitta to Fumburn

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 Bellone 11 P.M. next day
 Ongole 9 A.M. do
 Cumbum 2 A.M. do
 Deliverry 6 A.M.
 60 hours

Distance by Road 223 miles -

via Cuddapah

Madras 6 P.M.
 Cuddapah 5 A.M. next morning
 Sedhout 7 A.M.
 Budwail 12 noon
 Paramamilla 11 P.M.
 Cumbum 2 A.M. next morning
 1st Deliverry 6 A.M.
 36 hours -

Distance by road 101 miles -

/Spec Copy/

W. Turner

Ag Postmaster General

Recd
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List of Runners' stages between Budwail
 and Cumbum - Distance 69 miles.

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Camp Cuddapah } (Signed) H. D. Theobald
 30th January 1877 } Inspector Post Offices
 Bellore Division