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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

13th August 1877, No. 576 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 119. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 8th August 1877, No. 2082.

From Captain J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., District Engineer, Nilgiris, to the Chief Engineer for Buildings and Roads, dated Ootacamund, 16th July 1877, No. 271.

I HAVE the honor to submit a plan and estimate for restoring the wood-work of the trussed timber bridge at Tippucadoo on the road *viâ* the Seegoor Ghaut between Ootacamund and the Mysore Frontier.

2. The ends of the two tie-beams which were built into the masonry abutments have completely rotted, as also the foot-joints of all the wooden struts and ties; nearly all the flooring joints and planks have also considerably suffered. The whole bridge is unsafe, and is now leaning over at a considerable angle. Traffic over the bridge has been stopped for the past three months.

3. I have estimated for restoring the bridge with an allowance for reusing such of the timber as is sound and all the iron-work. An exactly similar bridge on the Coonoor Ghaut required strengthening some three years ago. I have taken this opportunity to provide a similar strengthening of the Tippucadoo Bridge; this is shown by color. It has proved quite successful in the case of the Coonoor Bridge.

4. As this bridge is on one of the trunk lines of communication along which all the teak timber used in this district is carted, I have taken on myself to begin the restoration in anticipation of sanction. The bridge is situated in a place which is difficult of access and feverish; just now is the most healthy time of year. This healthy period does not last long. If the bridge be not now restored, it will be almost impossible to restore it afterwards, and the timber supply from the Mudamullay Forest will fail, hindering and retarding, if not altogether stopping, the continuation of the Norwood Government House in October.

5. I regret having been unable to submit this plan and estimate sooner.

6. I forward this plan and estimate to you, as the Local Fund Board have this year no funds at their disposal.

No. 1,990.

TRANSFERRED to the Financial Department. The road on which the bridge is situated, though the main line of communication between Ootacamund and Mysore, is under the Local Fund Board. It is remarked that the work is one that requires immediate attention.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18th July 1877.

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

THE District Engineer will be directed to proceed with the work with the utmost despatch pending the provision of funds.

2. It will be considered in the Public Works Department whether any other Budget work can be postponed in order to provide funds for this emergent work which has been too long delayed already.

3. Government observe that the Nilgiri Local Fund Board have no means to undertake the work.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department, with plan and estimate.

No. 120. ORDER THEREON, 13th August 1877, No. 576 W.

* Rupees 5,300.
Heads of Service.—Provincial.
Fund.—Ordinary.
Class.—Original Works.
Main-head.—(2), Communications.
Sub-head.—1, Main Roads.
Work.—Restoring Tippacadoo bridge.
Amount.—Rupees 5,300.
To be carried out by the Public Works Department.

THE estimate* is sanctioned for immediate execution. There being no funds available with Government for the work, money must be provided by transfer.

2. It has been ascertained that, up to the end of May, no outlay has been recorded against the following works:—

Budget Item, No. 5.—Providing a rear verandah with rooms and railed enclosure to the Press-room and Treasury Office for the Collector's Cutcherry at Salem.

Budget Item, No. 17.—Sea Custom-house godown at Cocanada.

Budget Item, No. 31.—Two additional Wards for males and females at the Lunatic Asylum at Calicut.

3. The District Engineers concerned report what arrangements have been made for utilizing the appropriations, suspending further action in connection with the works meanwhile.

4. The sanction herein accorded is registered as Provincial No. 134 B of 1877-78.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the District Engineers, Nilgiris, Salem and Malabar.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Financial Department.

Order

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Communicated to the Board of Revenue through the Revenue Department, and to the Collectors of Salem, Godavery and Malabar.

(True Extract)

by Order

By Under Secretary

To the Board of Revenue, thro' the Revenue Department.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1877}. Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
NILGIRIS,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated August 13th,

Rupees

Read. *Enel.*

G. O., 13*th August* 1877, *No.* 576 W.

AUGUST.

Nos. 119-120.

Tippucadoo Bridge, Nilgiri District.—Sanctions for immediate execution the estimate of Rupees 5,300 for restoring —.

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Bridge, Nilgiri Dt.

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