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2nd December 1878, No. 984 I.

Irrigation.

Read the following papers:—

No. 8. From G. T. WALCH, Esq., Acting District Engineer, Godavari District, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Dowlaishvaram, 15th November 1878, No. 2,677.

I HAVE the honor to forward, herewith, copy of my letter, No. 2,302, of 9th October 1878, and its enclosure to the Collector and of his reply* thereto and its accompaniment.

2. I also enclose a form prepared in accordance with instructions in paragraph 5 of your No. 69, dated 21st January 1876.

3. The notice of intended closures will now issue as in the statement which was sent to the Collector with the difference that the closure of the Ellore Canal will, as suggested by the Chamber of Commerce, be accelerated by a fortnight and be from 15th March to 1st June.

One copy of letter, No. 2,302, of 9th October 1878.
One copy of notice of closure of canals.
One copy of letter, No. 148, of 1st November 1878.
One notice of closure of canals.

*No. 148, 1st instant.

From G. T. WALCH, Esq., Acting District Engineer, Godavari, to the Collector, Godavari District, dated Steamer *Godavari*, 9th October 1878, No. 2,302.

I HAVE the honor to enclose a statement showing the proposed closures of canals in this district in the approaching dry season, and to request that you will inform me of any modifications which you may think to be advisable in the interests of cultivation and transport of produce.

2. I shall feel obliged also if you will consider the subject in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce, Cocanada, with regard to mercantile interests, so that as far as possible the necessary periods of closure may be arranged to fall within the dates when they will cause the least inconvenience to trade.

GODAVARI DISTRICT.

STATEMENT showing proposed closure of canals in working season, 1878-79.

Canal.	Dates of		Remarks.
	Closing.	Re-opening.	
Eastern Delta.			
Main Canal	1st April ...	15th April ...	For examination, &c., of head sluice floor, &c.
Cocanada Canal	15th February.	Do.	
Samulcotta Canal	1st April ...	1st May.	
Bank Canal	Do. ...	Do. ...	Below Chopella lock only.
Mundapetta	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. Tapeswaram lock only.
Coringa	Do. ...	Do.	
Injeram	Do. ...	Do.	
Central Delta.			
All Canals	1st January ...	20th June ...	Closure necessary to enable new head sluice to be built.

STATEMENT showing proposed closure of canals in working season, 1878-79—*continued.*

Canal.	Dates of Closing.	Dates of Re-opening.	Remarks.
Western Delta.			
Main Canal (and therefore all canals).	1st April ...	15th April ...	For examination of head sluice floor, &c.
Ellore Canal below Bhimadole only.	Do. ...	15th June ...	It should be remembered that at the time when it is proposed to close this canal there is no probability of the Kistna-Ellore Canal being open.

DOWLAISHVARAM,
14th October 1878.

(Signed) G. T. WALCH,
Ag. District Engineer, Godavari.

From C. W. SIMSON, Esq., Chairman, Chamber of Commerce, to the Collector, Godavari District, dated Cocanada, 30th October 1878, No. 66.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter, No. 404, dated the 24th instant, for which I thank you.

The Chamber think the arrangements proposed regarding the closure of the canals, as detailed in the statement enclosed in your letter, very satisfactory.

They would, however, like to see the suggested lengthy closure of the Central Delta Canals curtailed, if such be possible, consistently with the extensive repairs that have to be effected on those works.

If it were possible also to accelerate the closure of the Ellore Canal by a month or even a fortnight it would be a considerable boon. This canal is not of much importance to mercantile interests during March, but it is desirable that it should be open for traffic from about the 15th May forward.

The Chamber would esteem it a great favor if you could furnish them with a map of the canal system of the district.

No. 148.

FORWARDED to the Acting District Engineer, Godavari District, with reference to his letter, No. 2,302, dated 9th ultimo.

COCANADA,
1st November 1878.

(Signed) W. S. FOSTER,
Collector.

GODAVARI DISTRICT.

STATEMENT showing proposed closure of canals in working season, 1878-79.

Canals.	Dates of Closing	Dates of Re-opening.	Remarks.
Eastern Delta.			
Main Canal	1st April ..	15th April ...	For examination of head sluice.
Cocanada Canal	15th February.	15th do. ...	Silt clearance and new bridge to Medapad Lock.
Samulcotta Canal ...	1st April ...	1st May ..	
Bank Canal	Do. ...	Do. ..	Silt clearance, &c.
Mundapetta Canal ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	
Coringa do. ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	
Injeram do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	

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STATEMENT showing proposed closure of canals in working season, 1878-79—*continued.*

Canals.	Dates of Closing.	Dates of Re-opening.	Remarks.
Central Delta.			
All Canals	1st January ...	20th June ...	Building new head sluice.
Western Delta.			
Main Canal (and therefore all canals).	15th March ...	1st April ...	Examination of head sluice.
Ellore Canal below Bhimadole only.	Do. ...	1st June ...	Completion of earthwork of improvement of canal.

(Signed) G. T. WALCH,
Ag. District Engineer, Godavari.

No. 348 I.

No. 8-A. *Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.*

THE notice of closure of canals in the Godavari Delta for 1879 is submitted for the approval of Government.

2. The closure of the canals in the Central Delta for nearly six months is unavoidable as the new head sluice will be under construction.

3. At the request of the Chamber of Commerce, Cocanada, the Ellore Canal is to be closed from the 15th March till the 1st June, instead of from the 1st April to the 15th June as originally proposed; the Chamber of Commerce may not have remembered that the Kistna-Ellore Canal is generally kept open for navigation till the 15th March, but the proposed closure of canals in the Kistna will be communicated to them, and the date can then be altered if considered desirable.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
26th November 1878.

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

To the Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch.

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 2nd December 1878, No. 984 I.

THE proposed closure of canals in the Godavari Delta for 1879 is sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Irrigation Branch.

To the Superintending Engineer, First Circle.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Chamber of Commerce.
" Collectors of Cocanada, Kistna, and Godavari.
" Revenue Department.
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