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Irrigation.

Read the following papers:—

No. 30. From J. W. RUNDALL, Esq., Acting Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Dindigul, 21st January 1879, No. 1,262.

I HAVE the honor to bring to your notice that the Collector of Trichinopoly has called on the Executive Engineer of that division to hand over to him all plantations on river and channel banks maintained from the Jungle Conservancy Funds.

2. The Collector is acting under the orders conveyed in the Government Orders marginally noted.

Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 2,181, dated 7th August 1877.
G.O., No. 2,550, dated 21st August 1877.

3. Major Vibart is of opinion that plantations on river and channel banks should continue in the charge of this department, and until it is finally decided which of the river padugays is to be given up from our charge to that of the Forest Department it seems to be desirable that all now in our charge should be maintained by us.

4. Please, therefore, inform me whether this should be arranged for with the Collector. If it is decided that we are to keep the river and channel plantations now in our charge I will have a statement prepared showing their annual cost and probable revenue.

No. 30-A. No. 35 I.

MEMORANDUM.

WITH reference to letter, No. 1,262, dated 21st January 1879, from the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, the Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation has the honor to call attention to this office note printed in G.O., No. 15 I, dated 7th May 1877, in which it is stated that there is no reason why the Irrigation Department should desire any control over padugays which are not required to be held by it in the interests of river conservancy.

2. It is considered that all plantations on river or channel banks which are now maintained from Jungle Conservancy funds should be handed over to the Revenue authorities, those only being retained over which, in consequence of their proximity to regulating works, or of their being the only available source from which to obtain materials for groynes, &c., it is desirable that this department should have entire control. The maintenance of all plantations retained by this department will be chargeable to Irrigation, and must be duly provided for in the budget.

3. When handing over plantations on padugays to the Revenue authorities it will be desirable that a strip of land on the river margin should be retained under the control of this department with a view to the proper conservancy of the river. A width of four yards will, it is thought, be sufficient, and it should be stipulated that the officers of this department have the right of lopping all trees the branches of which overhang the river. A strip of land two yards in width should also be retained

inside the toe of the river embankment, and arrangements should be made when handing over the plantations to the Revenue authorities that, in the event of the plantation being leased out, the terms of the lease shall be such that pits may be dug in the padugay when necessary for the repairs of embankments, and that officers of this department shall not be precluded from entrance on any part of the padugay when on duty.

4. It is, of course, understood that plantations thus handed over will not be cut down and the land given out on darkhast for cultivation without the consent of this department.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
6th February 1879.

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

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

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, 11th February 1879, No. 88 I.

THE Government approve the instructions given by the Acting Chief Engineer for Irrigation in regard to plantations on padugays, and direct that they shall receive general attention.

(True Extract.)

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

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To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
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