

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	210	Press <i>Mis.</i>
¹²⁴⁻²⁵ Dated	14-2-1870 <i>to</i>	

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
14th February 1870.*

No. 124. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st December 1869, No. 8,837 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Coimbatore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 10th November 1869, No. 207.

ADVERTING to the previous correspondence on the subject of opening out the Annamallay Hills, I have the honour to submit the following proposal for the favourable consideration of the Board.

2. In paragraph 6 of his letter, dated 26th August, No. 156, embodied in the Board's Proceedings of the 28th September, my predecessor expressed a hope that the proposed road and ghaut might be sanctioned at an early date. The subject has been pressed on me by persons interested in the development of these fine hills, and I have had under consideration the best mode of making a start with the work at once. The Superintending Engineer, with whom I have talked the matter over, gives it as his opinion, in which I entirely concur, that no time should be lost in making a bridle-trace from the foot of the ghaut to the Poonachy Saddle, thence on to Poonachy Ummencovil, thence along the Tooracoodoo River to the foot of the Tangachy, whence would commence the ascent to Michael's Valley. Colonel Walker informs me that the services of Captain Law could be spared for a short time to lay out the trace, and he assures me that Mr. Nesbitt, a resident planter at Poonachy, would undertake to supervise the clearing. If the work can only be put in hand at once, there is no reason why a fair bridle-track should not be completed in the course of two or three months. All that is required is money. I presume that the ghaut at any rate will be made from Imperial Funds, which, of course, will not be forthcoming at present. I therefore propose that a loan of Rupees 3,000 should be made from Local Funds to be recovered hereafter, when the estimates have received sanction, and this sum I request permission to place at the disposal of the Superintending Engineer at once, as the weather for the next five months will be favourable for the prosecution of the work. The funds can be made available from the Reserve of the District Road Fund of the current official year, and I trust that the proposal will have the early support of the Board of Revenue.

SUBMITTED for the favourable consideration of Government.

2. The Board consider it very desirable that the work should be commenced at once. Funds can be supplied from the Coimbatore Reserve, as a loan, to be repaid by Imperial Funds next year.

No. 125. ORDER THEREON, 14th February 1870, No. 210.

Local Funds, No. 8.
Civil Works.

THE Right Honourable the Governor in Council sanctions the grant of Rupees 3,000, for the purpose stated, from the Local Funds of the district.

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2 This sum will not be considered as a loan to Imperial Funds, but as a grant-in-aid from the Local Fund of the district towards an Imperial work likely to be of material local advantage.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
the Public Works Department
the Accountant-General.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

Rev. Deptt.
Memo for order and Rs. 4139

Gy. C. dated 6th August
1869 sanctioned the disburse-
ment to Mr. Lowry, an Asst.
Engineer of Rs. 3000 which sum
was considered to represent
that portion of the road
constructed by him on the
Annamalays which was
capable of being utilised.
Mr. Lowry's claim had been
considerably reduced by Col.
Walker who inspected the
roadwork executed by him.
Among other errors in the
work Col. Walker reported
that Mr. Lowry had zigzag-
ged his ghaut down the
South west instead of across
the

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the north west face of a ridge, and that, owing to this mistake, on Mr. Lowry's part, the Col^l had been induced to lay out Rs. 2218 of District Funds in 1854-58, on a wrong line of road. This road is marked on the map by the black dotted line which shows that it involves the crossing of no less than three formidable streams, the Joracadi, the Palam, and the Copam, while the road recommended by Col. Walker, marked with the red dotted line, crosses but one stream of consequence before reaching Annamallay, whence there is a made road to Pollachy.

2. Col. Walker's letter was referred to the as. Col^l of Formbatore, who
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was requested (by G. O. dated 6th August 1869 No. 2284) to state whether it was practicable to alter the course of the road from Pollachy to the Annamallays so as to acc.
cord with Colonel Walker's views.

3. The As. Collector replied in his letter dated 26th August 1869, No. 156, and printed with Proceedings of Government P.W.D. dated 9th November 1869. He quite agreed with Colonel Walker and hoped that the proposed road would be sanctioned at an early date.

4. The subject is again

again brought forward
by Mr. Sullivan the
present A. G. Collector
of Coimbatore in his letter
dated 10th November 1869
No 207 embodied in Board's
Proceedings dated 1st Decr
1869, No 8837. Mr. Sullivan
thinks there is no reason
why a fair bridge track
should not be completed
in the course of two or
three months if the work
be put in hand at once.
He presumes that the
grant part of the road
will be made from Govt.
special funds at all
events, but as Imperial

funds

Funds will not be forth-
coming at present, he re-
commends that a loan of
Rs 3,000 be made from Local
Funds to be recovered hereafter.
He requests permission to
place this sum at the dis-
posal of the Sup. G. Engrs
at once.

5 The Board in their
Proceedings dated 1st Decr
1869, No 8837 now immediately
before Govt. consider it
very desirable that the work
should be commenced at
once. They mention that
Funds can be supplied
from the Coimbatore reserve
as a loan, to be repaid
by Imperial funds
next

next year but as
the Govt of India do

not appear to consider
it necessary to repay such

loans, it is submitted
that the work must
be deferred until the
present funds are further
arriving.

I would not admit this
principle, and I would
make the advance of 3000
Rs. from the Reserve Fund
Coimbatore District (local)
if a reference to the G.P.W.
there is any probability of
funds being available at
the end of 70/71 for repayment.
It seems admitted that the
work should be charged to
Imperial & not to local funds.

A.C.

I should be inclined
to treat the work as
local and sanction
its construction from
local funds.

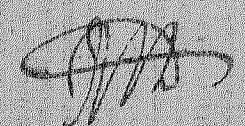
I would not admit
to duplicate the loan
and as Imperial
funds cannot be
got I would make
the road for local
funds. We are in
a desperate position
and must act for
best. I would not
have sanctioned the
expenditure at
once without knowing
in what portion
the local funds
of the District
are.

Memo.
 Funds for the Pond
 built from 1884
 Annually share
 to Langachy in
 Committed Dist.

Grant
 1884

Council

Lett from
 order in Council



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No 4139

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The Govt. at Home.
 The Govt. in Council
 sanctions the grant
 of Rs 3000 for the
 purpose stated from
 the Local Funds of
 the District.

This sum will not
 be considered as a
 loan from local to
 Imperial Funds, but
 as a grant-in-aid,
 from the ^{Local funds of the District} former, towards
 an Imperial work
 likely to be for a mutual
 local advantage.

