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Moplah Outrage.

No. 133. *Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Calicut, 18th October 1876, No. 80.*

Referring to G.O., Judicial Department, No. 1079, dated 5th May 1875, regarding the disposal of a portion of the money collected in fines from the Moplah inhabitants of the Kolathur and Paral Amshoms, I have now the honor to

submit detailed plans* and estimates for completing four village roads converging on Kolathur from opposite points of the compass. The tracing† of the line from Kuttipuram to Kolathur has been

* Sent per parcel.

† Herewith forwarded.

misaid, but it is being searched for and will be forwarded as soon as possible. The estimates of land compensation will also be forwarded at an early date: their preparation has been delayed through various causes. The only objection which, so far as I am aware, has been raised to taking up the lands required is in connection with that portion of the road where, you will observe, it is proposed to take it through the middle of sundry rich cocoanut and arecanut gardens close to the termination of the Malapuram-Plandole line, near the Plandole bridge. I personally investigated the matter, and think that this portion of the proposed road might be diverted so as to avoid the gardens alluded to, though perhaps the gradient will not be so easy as the line selected by Mr. Grimes. I have no doubt I shall be able to settle this point satisfactorily and without any necessity for increasing the estimate now submitted, and I do not therefore consider it necessary to delay submission of the estimates on this account.

2. In selecting the lines for which these estimates provide, the main idea was to make Kolathur more accessible than it now is—

- (1) and principally from Malapuram where the detachment of European troops is stationed;
- (2) from the two nearest railway stations, viz., Puttamby and Kuttipuram; and
- (3) from the headquarters of the Walluvanad Taluq, viz., Angadipuram.

3. The distances, if these roads are constructed, will be—

- (1) from Malapuram to the Vāriar's residence at Kolathur, about ten miles;
- (2) from Puttamby Railway Station to ditto, thirteen miles;
- (3) from Kuttipuram Railway station to ditto thirteen miles;
- (4) from Angadipuram to ditto, seven miles;

and I may add that the only serious obstructions which would be encountered by Military or Police forces marching upon Kolathur from the four points named would be the rivers which the Nūradi and Plandole bridges have been designed to span, and both of which I hope to see completed in the course of the current official year. For the former the iron work is now on its way from England, and for the latter Mr. Grimes is now busy collecting materials. The funds for completing both bridges are already provided for in the Local Fund Budgets.

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4. I have the honor to request formal sanction for spending Rupees 19,308 as detailed in the estimates now submitted. The work should be carried out under the supervision of the Range Officer, but I would propose to associate with him the Tahsildar of Walluvanad in the actual execution of the work as I should like to teach the wild intractable Moplah inhabitants of that locality that we are giving them back a portion of the money taken from them in a shape which will permanently benefit them. The Tahsildar would, of course, be subordinate to the Range Officer in carrying out the work, and I would propose that the Range Officer, and not the Tahsildar, should provide for keeping accounts of expenditure; in fact the Tahsildar would supply the labor which would be paid for by the Range Officer's own people, and of course the Tahsildar and his subordinates would see that the coolies supplied by them did the work assigned to them properly.

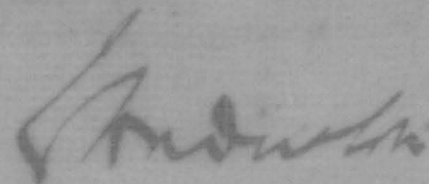
5. I regret to state that, owing to a serious deficiency of the rainfall in these inland tracts, the crops have suffered very considerably, and I should therefore like to have the *early sanction* of Government, as the expenditure of the proposed amount *at an early date* will materially lessen the hardships of the lowest classes in that vicinity at the present time.

No. 134.

ORDER THEREON, 28th October 1876, No. 2217.

The Governor in Council approves and sanctions the proposed work, and directs that it be carried out at once. There seems no objection to the association of the Tahsildar in its execution.

(True Extract.)



Chief Secretary.

To the Magistrate of Malabar, with plans and estimates.

.. Accountant-General.

.. Revenue Department.

.. Public Works Department.

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