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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th March 1869.

No. 192. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department:—

Communicating to the Officer concerned for report, Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, relative to the inadequate nature of the communication provided between the Village of Rudravaram, Kurnool District, and the lands belonging to the inhabitants, separated from the village by the Irrigation canal. } (Here enter 2nd March 1869, No. 665.)

No. 193. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1869, No. 608.

Irrigation, No. 4.

Communicated to the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. S. LILLY,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings, Public Works Department, No. 665.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

Govt. G.O. No. 118, 2nd March 1869. City Archives

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated March, 8th.

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G. O., 8th March 1869, No. 608.

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Nos. 192-193.

Communication between the Village of Rudravaram and the lands belonging to the inhabitants.—Order regarding its inadequate communicated to the Revenue Board.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 2nd March 1869.

No. 48. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th January 1869, No. 250:—

Read again letter from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 16th July 1868, No. 265, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 7th August 1868, No. 5,713.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Kurnool, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 19th October 1868, No. 365:—

Adverting to paragraph 4 of Board's Proceedings, No. 5,713, dated 7th August 1868, I have the honour to forward copy of a letter from the Assistant Collector, explaining why both the culverts alluded to in the Proceedings are impassable, together with a Sketch Map showing their position, and a statement of their exact measurements, condition, &c.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From the Assistant Collector, to the Collector of Kurnool, dated 14th October 1868, No. 61.

1. In reply to your docket, No. 216, dated 19th August 1868, I have the honour to submit, herewith, two enclosures.—

(1.) A Map showing the position of the two culverts.

(2.) A form showing exact measurements and state of the culverts.

2. It was not Item No. 6 of the Government list, but Item No. 7 to which Mr. Cruickshank's letter referred.

3. Both culverts are quite impassable. No. 6 is full of water up to a man's shoulder. No. 7 is 5½ feet high only; a ryot I sent through was obliged to walk in a stooping position.

4. Through both these culverts very considerable jungle streams run. I have crossed the nullah a little above No. 7 when the water was up to my horses girths, consequently nearly up to the top of the culverts, arch No. 6 is approached by a very deep cutting through which also a stream runs.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Sketch Map.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Statement.

IN the first of the foregoing letters, the Collector brought to notice the inadequate nature of the communication provided between the village of Rudravaram and the lands belonging to the inhabitants, separated from the village by the Irrigation Canal.

2. In the Consulting Engineer's report, (the proposals contained in which were sanctioned in Government Order of 31st October 1866, No. 3,474,) although the width of the culverts, proposed for the convenience of the villagers, was stated, no mention was made regarding their intended height, which appears from the report of the Assistant Collector (enclosed in Mr. Chase's letter) to be altogether insufficient for the passage of carts, or even of men.

3. The Board, in their Proceedings, dated 7th August 1868, No. 5,713, called for some further information, and the Collector's second letter above recorded is his reply.

4. Under the circumstances, the Board resolve to submit the correspondence to Government for their consideration and orders, expressing at the same time their

own opinion that the villagers have valid cause of complaint, and that measures should be taken for having the culverts raised, or for providing other means of passing the canal.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th August 1868, No.5,713.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Kurnool, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 16th July 1868, No. 265.

1. I have the honour to forward a copy of Mr. Cruickshank's letter, No. 45, dated 15th July 1868, on the inadequate communication allowed for the villagers of Rudravaram to go to their fields separated by the irrigation canal from their village.

2. The Government in Order, No. 3,474, dated 31st October 1866, sanctioned Captain Mullins's proposal to have a third class culvert, eight feet broad, at the 65th mile, for the convenience of the Jutur and Rudravaram villages, and a second class culvert, fourteen feet wide, at the 66th mile, for the convenience of the villagers of Lingala Rudravaram.

3. But it appears, though the Government allowed these culverts and regulated their width, no order was made regarding their height. The consequence is that there is only a height of $1\frac{3}{4}$ yard which I need hardly say, considering the breadth of the channel, is certainly not sufficient, and is undoubtedly a great hardship to the villagers, who have daily to drive their cattle for cultivation to their fields, and will hereafter have to convey their crops to their village.

4. I trust the Board will apply to Government on the subject in order that the villagers may obtain some relief from the difficulties to which they are subjected.

From the Assistant Collector, to the Collector of Kurnool, dated 15th July 1868, No. 45.

1. With reference to the petition presented to you by the village authorities and ryots of Rudravaram, hamlet of Chillimilla, Nandikotkur Talook, regarding the distance they have to go to reach some of their fields, separated from their village by the canal intervening, I have the honour to inform you that it appears that they were allowed formerly to cross the canal at two places, namely, the 5th and the 71th chains 68th mile; that now the road at the 74th chain is to be shut up; that it is impossible for carts to pass through the culvert built at the 5th chain, which is only $1\frac{1}{2}$ yards high, to the centre of the arches, and they will require to go round by Pamulapad, a distance of four miles to reach their fields. They request that either the bridge, to be built at Pamulapad, should be built at the boundaries of this village and their's, or that the culvert should be enlarged.

2. An order was issued by the Deputy Collector to the Tahsildar, on the 6th October 1865, from which it appears the villagers made complaint regarding a road at that time, and that a letter was received by the Deputy Collector, stating that a culvert and good road would be made at the 5th chain.

3. This has not been done, and I bring it to your notice so that you may, if you deem it proper, direct this to be done, or some other arrangements to be made by which the ryots may be able to reach their fields without having to go such a distance. I forward, herewith, the record (to be returned) sent up by the Tahsildar.

THE work alluded to is entered as Item 6 in the list of canal crossings given in paragraph 28 of the Consulting Engineer's letter, disposed of in Government Order, dated 31st October 1866, No. 3,474.

2. It is described in column 6 as for the accommodation of foot and cattle traffic only.

3. The same list provides, Item 7, for a culvert for "all kinds of traffic" at 1 mile 37 chains from this culvert, and the Board do not, therefore, understand why it is necessary for carts to go four miles round by Pamulapad.

4. The Collector is, therefore, requested to explain this, and to forward a sketch of the locality.

TRANSFERRED to the Department of Public Works

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

FORT ST. GEORGE,
11th February 1869.

No. 49. ORDER THEREON, 2nd March 1869, No. 665.

IRRIGATION, No. 3.

Referred to the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company for report.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, with Enclosures.
" Revenue Department.

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Rev^l Board.

8th March 69.

Esd. E. C. Shunker.

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IRRIGATION and CANAL COMPANY

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Dated Madras, 2nd.

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