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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 9th September 1867.

No. 130. Read the following Endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 2nd September 1867, No. 66 :—

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager, Madras, dated Kurnool, 24th August 1867, No. 530.

Zorapore Bridge, 20th Mile.

1. This bridge was built at the Company's expense, and opened in the early autumn of 1865. I understand it to have been built on the strong representation of the Collector and Engineer of Kurnool of its necessity. The public objects to be obtained by it were two-fold :—

I. To shorten by 1½ miles the road to Gardimuddoogoo, Nundikotcoor, and Atkoor, the rich cholum districts from which daily supplies of straw, firewood, toddy, &c., are sent to Kurnool, which road is ultimately to be continued through Doronal.

II. For local purposes of agriculture or recreation.

2. Since the Company had already been called upon to make a road diversion, giving access to Gardimuddoogoo by the Gooty bridge, I understand that the Government undertook to make such new road as is required to give access to the new bridge, provided the Company made the bridge.

3. But since the opening of the new bridge, no road has been made to nor from it, and it is inaccessible from either side to a phæton. Indeed, I have at various times broken three spokes of a strong dog-cart in careful attempts to make the bridge useful. So far I consider that the bridge has been absolutely useless, supplying no better accommodation than the old culvert.

4. Since all the carting from Kurnool to the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Sections of canal, and all the supply of timber to Kurnool comes upon this road, and the Company are losing all benefit from the money expended in constructing this bridge, I beg to suggest that the Consulting Engineer be asked when the road is likely to be constructed, and whether Government are willing to hasten its construction. I understand that Government has declined sanctioning any immediate expenditure on it.

No. 241.

Copy forwarded to the Consulting Engineer, with a request that the early attention of Government be drawn to the subject of the foregoing letter.

(Signed) F. H. HENSLOWE,
Agent and Manager.

MADRAS,
30th August 1867.

Submitted for the consideration of Government. The road on the north side of the bridge belongs to the Municipality of Kurnool, and was in a very unsatisfactory state when I saw it in September 1866. The part of the road on the south of the bridge is referred to in paragraph 3 of Proceedings Madras Government, of the 31st October last, No. 3,474. It seems probable that the estimate, Rupees 420, therein alluded to, was too small to allow of a fairly good road being formed ; and,

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as the Company were required to construct a first class bridge, and as the road is intended for carriages as well as carts, it should be made at least as good as that leading from the Gooty road-bridge to Kadrabagh.

(Signed) J. MULLINS, Captain, R. E.,
Consulting Engineer for I. & C. Company.

Referred to the Revenue Department, the road alluded to being a *District* line.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

5th September 1867.

No. 131. ORDER THEREON, 9th September 1867, No. 2,109.

Irrigation, No. 6.

The Board of Revenue will direct the Collector of Kurnool to give immediate attention to the formation of so much of the road in question as is chargeable to the District Road Fund, and to ascertain and report what is likely to be done to the portion of the line which is in Municipal limits.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

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To the Bd of Revr.

With direct to Collr of Kurnool & give immediate attention to the formation of so much of the Road in question as is chargeable to the Dt. Road fund. & ascertain & report what is likely to be done to the portion of the line of it in the Municipal limits

9th Sept 1867.

11. Copies to the Bd of Revr & Dept PW
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