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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
28th November 1867.

No. 552. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department :—

Passing orders on letter from Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, proposing to divert a portion of the amount set free from Part III. of the Imperial Budget of Tanjore under Revenue Proceedings of 10th September last, and also on letter from Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, regarding the portion of the Cuddapah and Bellary road between Taudpatry and Royalchervoo. } (Here enter 26th November 1867, No. 3,675.)

No. 553. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1867, No. 2,837.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. H. WILKINSON,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 3,675.

Exd. S. T. Augustin

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 26th November 1867.

Read the following letters :—

No. 587. From the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Tanjore, 14th November 1867, No. 1,227.

1. With reference to Items 8 to 13, in Part II. of the Supplemental Local Fund Budget of the Tanjore District for 1867-68, aggregating Rupees 9,260, I have the honor to inform you that similar sums have already been provided for the roads to which Items 8 to 13 appertain, from Imperial Funds, and that, with the approval of the Collector, I propose to surrender the sums shown below, viz., Rupees 4,000 :—

Public Works G. O., No. 2,853, dated 14th September 1867.

	Allotted.	Retained.	Surrendered.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
No. 8	760	760	...
„ 9	2,248	1,000	1,248
„ 10	568	280	288
„ 11	840	840	...
„ 12	2,464	...	2,464
„ 13	2,380	2,380	...
	9,260	5,260	4,000
	4,000		
	5,260		

and to carry out repairs to the roads to the amounts retained from Local Funds, and to appropriate the Imperial Funds thus set free as follows :—

	Rs.
I. On road from Tanjore to south bank of Coleroon, an extra	760
II. On road No. 15, an extra	1,000
III. For metalling over the bridges and island at the lower anicut	1,700
IV. On the masonry works on road No. 26	1,800

2. The mile and a half of road No. 4, south of the Coleroon bank, is now little better than a track through deep sand, and it is now proposed to form a surface with clay brought from a distance.

3. The traffic on road No. 15 is very heavy, and the allotment for 1867-68 has almost been worked out, the extra Rupees 1,000 is required to admit of the road being properly sectioned after the monsoon. Any work that is done will form a part of the work required, to prepare the road for the metalling provided for in No. 6 of Part I. of the Supplemental Local Fund Budget.

4. The metalling over the lower anicut bridges and the island between them is very necessary, as the roadway has been very much cut up by heavily laden bandies conveying materials to the work, and the debris of the centrings, &c., may be taken advantage of to form a substratum upon which to form a metalled surface consisting of nodules of kunker. A metalled surface affords security to a bridge, as it is easily kept in order, and hollows are not formed as in a sanded surface, and water does not lie on the surface.

5. As funds are available, it is proposed to commence the masonry works on Road No. 26 at once, instead of waiting for an allotment in 1868-69: provision* is made to the amount of Rupees 3,600 in the Imperial Budget of 1868-69 for the masonry works on this road.

* No. 3 in Part II. of Budget of 1868-69, and paragraph 4 of letter No. 1,012, dated 11th October 1867.

No. 588. From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Auktotapully, Sidhout Talook, 15th November 1867, No. 2,184.

1. I have the honor to submit, for the consideration of Government, the undermentioned extracts from Mr. George's diary for the past month, on the portion of the Cuddapah and Bellary road between Taudpatry and Royalchervoo: on the 15th October he says, "road very much cut up in places; there is nothing "for it but to scrape away the mud as it works up, and to fill the holes and ruts "with small metal. This is being done, and I hope in time we shall have a good "hard road; the fact is that on this road in many places no metal at all has been "put down, but only thick layers of gravel, and by no means good gravel." Again, on the 21st, in remarking on this same portion, he says, "of the eighteen "miles about six are tolerably good, the other twelve miles are simply thick, dee "mud. I wish the Superintending Engineer could see the road in its present "state, for it is perfectly impassable. A bank has been raised of the soil near at "hand, cotton soil, clay or soft white loam, no metal has ever been spread upon "this, only a coating of gravel, and the consequence is that now, after heavy and "continuous rain, the bank is just a bed of mud, some of the holes and ruts being "eighteen inches to two feet deep. The original soil bad as it was is better than "the bank of mud, and of course carts go at the sides instead of *on* the road."

2. There is also another portion of this road near Guddakul, which is about as bad. As regards this road I reported in July last, and submitted an estimate, which however Government would not sanction.

Not having the record with me, I cannot give the number and date.

3. The Railway will, I believe, be in a short time opened to Taudpatry, and so I would urgently request Government to re-consider their decision.

No. 589. ORDER THEREON, 26th November 1867, No. 3,675.

ACCOUNT, No. 56.

1. In the first of the letters above recorded, the Superintending Engineer of the 6th Division proposes to divert a portion of the amount (Rupees 9,260) set free from Part III. of the Imperial Budget under Revenue Proceedings No. 2,122, dated 10th September 1867.

2. Road No. 15 and the road from Tanjore to the south bank of the Coleroon having been declared to be *District* lines, the Government are precluded from sanctioning any appropriations to them from the *Imperial* allotment. The diversion of Rupees 1,700 from the maintenance grant marginally noted to the repair of the "bridges and island at the Lower Anicut" is sanctioned. It has not

Road from Myaveram to Nagore, Rupees 2,380.

yet been finally determined whether road No. 26 (from Muttupetta to Velanganny) is to be regarded as Imperial. The Board of Revenue have allotted money from Local Funds for the maintenance of the line during the current year, and the Superintending Engineer considers that the road should be classed under *Local*, and has addressed the Collector upon the subject. Pending the disposal of this question, the Government are unwilling to apply to the Government of India for a transfer of repair funds to the re-construction of the masonry works on the line in question.

3. The sum which is still available from the allotments set free in Revenue Proceedings above quoted is Rupees 7,560, which the Governor in Council resolves to transfer to the Bellary District, to supplement the maintenance grant for the Bellary and Cuddapah road referred to in the second of the papers above recorded. Major Moberly will instruct the Officer in charge of the Range to take measures for laying out this extra allotment to the best possible advantage without any unnecessary delay.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.
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,, Revenue Department.
,, Accountant General.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.

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