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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 3rd December 1867.

Read the following :—

No. 22. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th July 1866, No. 4,717.

Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coonoor, 12th May 1866, No. 8.

ABSTRACT.—Applies for copies of their Proceedings relative to Local Funds to be executed by Department of Public Works in future.

1. The Board regret that they are unable to comply with the Superintending Engineer's request, unless the absolute necessity of their doing so is explained.

2. To supply each division with the number of copies of Proceedings required, would involve the printing of a large additional number of spare copies, which it is necessary, for many reasons, to restrict to the lowest possible figure.

No. 23. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th November 1867, No. 7,409.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 5th August 1867, No. 175.

1. Adverting to the Board's Proceedings, noted on Government Order, dated 7th March 1867, No. 558, on a letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, requesting, *inter alia*, that a separate account of all toll collections on Imperial and District roads respectively be kept, and that additional maintenance allowance be made from the Ferry funds on the Imperial roads as noted, I have the honor to observe that arrangements were made to separate the ferries, &c., on Imperial and District roads before the ferry leases were sold for the now current Fusly ; and the ferries on Imperial and District lines respectively, have been sold separately accordingly.

11th March 1867.

	Rs.
Trunk road from Cannanore to Coorg frontier, thirty-four miles, at Rupees 110 a mile	3,740
Branch road from Cannanore to Tellicherry, sixteen do. do.	1,760
Coast road from Beypore to Baliapatam, seventy miles, at Rupees 110 a mile	7,700
Total ...	13,200

The proceeds are shewn below :—

	Rs.
Imperial lines	35,330
District and cross-lines ...	29,373

2. I have made provision in my Supplemental Budget for 1867-68 for the sums required by the Superintending Engineer on the trunk road* from Cannanore to Coorg, and the coast road from Beypore to Baliapatam. I do not think the Rupees 1,760, on the branch road from the Trunk Road No. 4 to Tellicherry, will be required this year, but it can be met from the reserve, if necessary.

* No. 4.

3. I have no objection to urge to the Imperial maintenance allowances on Imperial lines being doubled by maintenance allowances from the proceeds of tolls collected on such lines, except that the District Road Funds are diminished by so much, and as, I believe, the great majority of Imperial roads throughout the Presidency are not tolled, it is not very apparent why local taxes should be con-

sumed on them in a particular district, when the district communications so urgently require all the local assets.

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1. Submitted to Government, with reference to their Order, under date the 7th March 1867, No. 558. It will be observed that the necessary provision for the works to which Colonel Walker refers, has already been made in the Supplemental Budget of the District Road Fund, and though struck out in the Board's Office, has been again recommended for sanction in their Proceedings, dated 22nd October 1867, No. 6,871.

2. A copy of the Board's Proceedings, dated 10th July 1866, No. 4,717, in which they regretted that they could not supply a large number of extra copies of the Proceedings, will be submitted to Government, with reference to the P. S. of Colonel Walker's letter, dated 12th February 1867, No. 226, printed with the Government Order above recorded.

No. 24. ORDER THEREON, 3rd December 1867, No. 2,866.

Local Funds, No. 3.
Account.

1. Communicated to the Department Public Works, with reference to the endorsement of that department on the Superintending Engineer's letter, dated 12th February 1867.

2. The proposals in the Board's Proceedings of 22nd October 1867, were sanctioned in G. O., dated 13th November 1867, No. 2,677, Revenue Department.

3. As regards the employment of the receipts from tolls on Imperial roads, the Government observe that the principle of the order of the Supreme Government, directing that they be credited to Local Funds, requires their expenditure first on the immediate requirements of the work or locality on or in which they were raised.

4. Until those requirements have been fully met, the proceeds of the toll cannot be held available for other local works.

5. The Board will arrange to furnish Superintending Engineers with at least three copies of all of their Proceedings which may affect the Department Public Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Date 7/2/67