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Protective Works at Tellicherry

Directing the Executive Engineer with remarks to submit a report through the Collector as to the works necessary to protect certain portion of the coast at Tellicherry, and stating that the Government does not pledge itself to undertake the protection of private property from public funds.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers:—

From the Honorary Secretary, Malabar Chamber of Commerce, Tellicherry, to the Presidency Port Officer (through the Port Officer, Tellicherry), dated 18th January 1897, No. 98 P.

At the request of the above Chamber, I have the honour to draw your attention to the serious inroads which the sea has recently made on the foreshore of this place from the southward of the Customs House as far north as the Government salt godowns, causing the destruction of much property and probable destruction of more.

The waves have found out sundry weak places, and there have scoured out the foundations of buildings, leading to a broken outline of foreshore, and the risk is that, during next monsoon, the sea will get behind the now more prominent foundations and undermine and destroy them also.

The Chamber would suggest that the Executive Engineer of Malabar be instructed by the authorities to inspect the foreshore in question, and report as to the possibility of constructing protective works as a matter of public utility.

The Chamber is further of an opinion that if anything is to be done, it should be done soon so as to prevent further damage during next monsoon.

No. 12/1.

Forwarded to the Presidency Port Officer, Madras, with the following remarks:—

The sea has encroached very seriously along the whole coast line as far as Cannanore, at which latter place protective measures have been necessary to save the old Fort.

At Tellicherry a small sea wall has been recently built to protect the flagstaff and this is still in hand. To the north of this wall, however, the sea has undermined private premises, and part of a temple has given way.

Further destruction is inevitable if the monsoon be a heavy one.

Tellicherry,
18th January 1897.

(Signed) J. M. SIMPSON,
Port Officer.

From Commander H. A. STREET, R.I.M., Presidency Port Officer, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, dated 16th March 1897, No. 1747/85 G.

In January last the Malabar Chamber of Commerce addressed me respecting the erosion of the foreshore which was taking place at Tellicherry, and requested that "the possibility of constructing protective works as a matter of public utility" might be considered. The Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, was communicated with by me on the subject, and in reply states that, "no damage has been done to Government property," and that "the orders of Government are required if estimates are to be prepared for protecting private houses built in the margin of the sea." The damage done has affected private property solely, and in bringing this fact and the letter of the Malabar Chamber of Commerce to notice, I beg that I may be favoured with the views of Government in regard to the request of the Chamber that the protection of the foreshore at Tellicherry should be considered as a matter of public utility.

2. It would, no doubt, be advantageous to the respective owners of the properties affected to have the needful protective work carried out at the cost of Government, but as the work is one which would not benefit vessels entering or leaving the port, I submit that the cost could not be met from port funds.

Order—No. 331, Marine, dated 6th April 1897.

The Executive Engineer will, as suggested by the Chamber of Commerce, be directed to report as to the works necessary to protect the portion of the coast in question at Tellicherry. The report should be accompanied by an approximate estimate of the cost of the works, and should be submitted through the Collector who will, after inspection in company with the Executive Engineer, advise Government as to the public utility of the requisite works. It will, however, be understood that the Government does not pledge itself to undertake the protection of private property from public funds.

(True Extract.)

for ~~Under~~ Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
" Presidency Port Officer.
" Chamber of Commerce, Malabar.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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