

Revenue (1897) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 543

Dated 8th July 1897.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Gurta dyke work, Ganjam Dt.

Transferring to the Public Works Depart
letter from the collector of Ganjam re
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From The Ag. Collector of Gaujam.
Order (Press) No. 5438/8th July 1897

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~~with the objects that the work may be sanctioned and kept in reserve for execution as a famine relief work in future years.~~

Dated Camp Bishampur 20th June 97.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting report on the Lirila dyke work with reference to the telegram of the 11th instant.

to the Govt. Dept.
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From Mr. L. Taylor Esquire M.A.
Ag. Collector of
Ganjam

To The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George
Madras.

Dated Beshamp 20th June 1897.

Sir, With reference to your telegram dated
11th instant I have the honor to report upon
the proposed Surta dyke work.

2. The work in question consists of a
bund from Surta to Ichapur with a bye-
wash at the Eastern end. By the formation
of this bund it is estimated that a large
area of land, some three square miles in
extent, and at present a salt swamp, will
in the course of a few years be rendered -
cultivable owing to silting up of the bed
of the shallow tank which will be formed
by the bund, and which would not be
so deep so as not of being cultivated -
with paddy. If this were to prove a success
there would be a very large revenue to Govern-
ment and the scheme would prove

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most profitable. The estimate amounts to Rs 140 80.

3. In addition to the prospects of the scheme as an irrigation work the dyke will form a direct road from the Surla Factory to the East Coast Railway at Ichapur, which has now to be approached by a circuitous route of 9 miles. The saving in distance is five miles. There will also be a saving effected in the Salt Department by the reduction of the Establishment which is at present entertained to watch the large Salt Swamp which will be converted into cultivable land under the proposed scheme.

4. The scheme so far as I am aware has not been submitted to the Board of Revenue. It was sent up to Government in the Public Works Department on the ground that there was no financial certainty in the scheme as a revenue work, and that it could only be considered in the light of a road work.

5. The Executive Engineer I. Class in submitting the Estimate to Government said "If Famine work must be provided, it may serve as well as any other."

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The District Board is unable to take up this work as a mere road: it is essentially one that should be constructed from Public and not from Local Funds.

6. I telegraphed for sanction for this work because at that time 8000 Coolies were employed in breaking useless metal at Rudhi Hill near Ichapur, no other work being available, and as owing to the outbreak of Cholera it was desirable to change the site of the work.

7. It is now too late to take up the work this year as a famine work owing to the rush of water due to the recent rains. It is however urgently required as a project for famine purposes, as that part of the country is singularly unprovided for in the Famine Programme of the District.

I request that the work may be sanctioned under 33 Famine and kept in reserve as a Famine work for future years. I may note that the Executive Engineer Ganjam District who has thoroughly investigated the scheme

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Sanguine of its success as a paying
Revenue project.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Yours faithfully
For ap. Collector.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following G.O., Mis. No. 2968, Revenue, dated 11th June 1897:—

Read—the following telegram from the Collector of Ganjám, dated 7th June 1897:—

Sanction requested Ichapur-Surla dyke as road work approved of both by Salt officers and Executive Engineer; Estimate as framed requires no recasting; 7,300 coolies now breaking useless metal at Ichapur. No other work available.

Order—Mis. No. 2968, Revenue, dated 11th June 1897.

Ordered that the following telegram be despatched to the Collector of Ganjám:—

Your telegram seventh. Report full particulars Ichapur-Surla dyke. Why is it wanted. Has Board or Government approved of its construction. Amount of estimate.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

Copy to the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement,
Land Records and Agriculture).

READ—also the following letter from H. D. TAYLOR, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector of Ganjám, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 20th June 1897, R.C. No. 1450-F.:—

With reference to your telegram dated 11th instant, I have the honour to report upon the proposed Surla dyke work.

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Miscellaneous.

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Transferred to the Public
Works Department.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
" the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement,
Land Records and Agriculture).

Exd. Shaik Karim.