

Angola

RAILWAY POST OFFICES OF THE AMBACA RAILROAD. (AMBULANCIA).

HISTORY.

The Ambaca railroad was established by the Caminho de Ferro de Ambaca in 1886 with the issue of 1.8 Million Pounds worth of shares. The railway was inaugurated November 1, 1899, and completed on the 1st of September 1909. It ran from Loanda to Lucalla. It was extended by the Government to Malange in 1909.

RAILWAY STATIONS.

Loando, Cidade Alta, Cacuaco, Quifangondo, Funda, Cabiri, Catete, Cungo, Cassoneca, Barraca, Calumguembo, Zenza-do-Itombe, Cassuallala, Oeiras, Tella-Quissanga, Luinha, Canhoca, Queta, N'Dalla Tando, Camoma, Pamba (Ambaca), Lucalla.

ROLLING STOCK.

14 Tender engines, 29 Carriages and 171 wagons.

TRAFFIC.

Daily, from Loanda leaving at 6am and reaching Cunga at 5.30pm. Then to Lucalla the next day.

NATIONALIZED.

July 18, 1918. The line was fully operational until the civil war which saw most of the infrastructure destroyed. It was rebuilt by China after the war ended in 2002.

AMBULANCIA POSTAL MARKINGS

1. AMBULANCIA DE LOANDA. 1901-1904. Rare.
2. AMBa LDa AMBACA I ,II. 1908-1913 Not common.
3. AMBULANCIA I, II, 1913-1921, III, IV, 1913-1914, V, VI, 1920-21. Odd numbers from Loanda, and even to Loanda.
4. LUANDA-AMBULANCIA. Late 20's. Very rare.
5. AMBULANCIA/LUANDA-MALANGE. 1939-1941.
6. AMBULANCIA LUANDA-MALANGE. 1952-1960
7. C.F.L. AMBULANCIA-A, B, and / AMBUL.a - B. 60's and 70's.

