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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

I

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D. Sc., F.R.S., Director of Public Instruction.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—the 7th December 1907.
No.—Ref. on Cur. No. 6289.

With reference to your endorsement No. 1313-1, Educational, dated 3rd June 1907, communicating G.O., No. 542 W., dated 15th May 1907, sanctioning an estimate amounting to Rs. 31,150 for constructing a building for the Government Training School at Anantapur, I have the honour to submit that a site was selected by Mr. Stone on the recorded testimony of the Public Works Department officers as to its suitability for the construction of the building and the acquisition of the site has also been approved in G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904. The Superintending Engineer, III Circle, however, now states in his endorsement No. 5664, dated 9th October 1907, that the site has been very badly chosen and that such part of the land where there is safe sub-soil for founding the building on, is too small for the reception of so large a plan and recommends therefore that the land for which a compensation of Rs. 460-1-0 appears to have been already paid, be re-sold.

2. In the meanwhile, it has been suggested to me that it would be more advantageous to locate the Training School at Dharmavaram which seems to be better suited for the purpose. The decision of this question has been allowed to lie over pending the inspection of both the places by the present Inspector of European and Training Schools.

In any case, the site which has been selected at Anantapur has to be given up as it stands totally condemned by the Public Works Department.

3. In these circumstances, I beg to suggest that the expense of the land compensation be borne by the Public Works Department, the site in question being allowed to remain the property of Government. I also beg to request that the sanction accorded in G.O., No. 542 W., dated 15th May 1907, for the construction of the building at Anantapur be held in abeyance pending the decision as to the future location of the Training School.

II

Memorandum No. 2934-1, dated 3rd January 1908.

With reference to his letter, R.O.C. No. 6289, dated 7th December 1907, the Director of Public Instruction is informed that the site approved in G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904, for the construction of a building for the Government Training School at Anantapur will be abandoned and that he may submit proposals in regard to the location of the Training School at Dharmavaram.

(By Order.)

C. A. SOUTER,
Asst. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

III

Memorandum No. 330-C., dated 13th January 1908.

In forwarding the accompanying copy of a letter from the Director of Public Instruction, dated 7th December 1907, regarding the site selected for the Government Training School, Anantapur, the undersigned has the honour to request that the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, will be so good as to report the name of the Public Works officer who approved of the site originally and whether he did not examine the sub-soil before so approving.

(By Order.)

A. G. ROMILLY,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, with copy of
the Director's letter.

IV

Letter—from P. R. ALLEN, Esq., M.I.C.E., Superintending Engineer, III Circle, Bellary.
To—the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
Dated—Chellama, the 26th February 1908.
No.—1518.

[Your memo. No. 330-C. dated 13th January 1908.]

I have the honour to inform you relative to the above that the site was originally selected in the Educational Department and the Public Works Department (represented by the Anantapur Sub-Divisional Officer Mr. Vythianatha Aiyar) certified that a building 60' x 100' could be built thereon. This report was sent to this office by Mr. G. F. Handcock, then Executive Engineer, Bellary Division. Subsequently, the design was altered to the present dimensions. Then it was found not practicable to construct a building of such dimensions on such a site and a report was made accordingly to the Inspector of Schools who wanted to reduce the width from 97 feet to 79 feet. The Director of Public Instruction did not approve of this proposal and decided to adhere to the larger dimension. Plans and estimates were prepared by the Executive Engineer of the Bellary Division (Mr. Formby) and forwarded through the Superintending Engineer (Mr. Handcock) to you through the Director of Public Instruction. Meanwhile Mr. Formby had pointed out objections to the site to the Educational Department.

It is not evident whether or no Mr. Handcock, the Superintending Engineer, had inspected the sub-soil, but it would appear that such detailed investigation was not done until they were undertaken by myself although the Sub-Divisional Officer, Mr. Vythianatha Aiyar, had made an imperfect investigation. It will thus appear that neither Mr. Formby, the Executive Engineer, nor I, the Superintending Engineer, have approved of the site.

I forward herewith copy of a letter No. 186 S.E., dated 8th February 1908, from Mr. Formby, the Executive Engineer, Bellary, together with copies of enclosures.

ENCLOSURES.

(i)

Letter—from the Assistant Engineer, Anantapur.
To—the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division.
Dated—the 7th March 1904.
No.—920.

With reference to your foot-note No. 811, dated 10th February 1904, I have the honour to submit herewith a site plan of the site proposed by the Inspector of European and Training Schools for the proposed Government Training school at Anantapur and to report that I can see no objection to erecting a building two storeys high with plinth measurements 100' x 60' at the site proposed.

2. The sub-soil of the site at level 43.00 is hard kankur. The level of the wet fields in rear is 42.10 and these will be at a distance of about 20 feet from the building. There is ample evidence at the site to show that the fields were prepared for wet cultivation by digging out high ground 2½ feet to 3 feet deep in gravelly soil and refilling with earth to a depth of 5 to 6". If the new building be founded at level 41.00 I think no harm can arise from the paddy fields in rear.

(ii)

Letter—from the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division.
To—the Inspector of European and Training Schools, Madras.
Dated—the 9th July 1906.
No.—1362-M.

I have the honour to inform you that the site selected for the construction of a new Government Training School at Anantapur and approved of in paragraph 1 of G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904, will not suit the revised design now proposed. This portion of land was thought sufficient for the design then proposed but as it was objected by you in your letter No. D/100, dated 10th February 1906, the Director of Public Instruction in his letter, Ref. on C. No. 10029 of 1904, dated 27th February 1906, to the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, forwarded a new design for Training schools prepared by the Consulting Architect to Government and requested that a fresh plan and estimate with slight modifications be prepared.

This new design has necessitated the acquisition of an additional 20 feet width of land towards the north of the site already proposed to be acquired: this portion of land is reported to be 20 feet lower than the southern portion.

Under these circumstances, the site selected and approved by Government will not be suitable for building purposes.

(iii)

Letter—from the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division.
To—the Inspector of European and Training Schools, Madras
Dated—the 10th August 1906.
No.—1694-M.

I have the honour to request that you will inform me whether you formed any opinion of the Training school site, which as I understand you inspected the other day. As I have a grant of Rs. 10,660 to spend I request an early reply as to whether the selected site is to remain as such or whether you propose to select another.

(iv)

Letter—from the Inspector of European and Training Schools, Madras.
To—the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division.
Dated—the 13th August 1906.
No.—W. 267.

With reference to your letter No. 1362-M., dated 9th July 1906, I have the honour to inform you that when I was at Anantapur a few days ago I inspected the site for the new Training school and discussed the matter with your Sub-Divisional Officer.

2. The difficulty of the drop at the back of the site could, I think, be easily overcome by building a rough stone revetment or containing wall. The drop is not one of 20 feet but only of 6 feet as appears clearly from the site plan herewith returned. A more serious difficulty is the existence of the temple to the west of the site which would block out light and air if the building were built precisely on the Consulting Architect's plan.

3. I therefore propose in addition to the modifications formerly suggested by me in the letter of the Director of Public Instruction to you, Ref. on C. No. 10029/04, dated 22nd December 1904, that the plan should be altered as shown in the accompanying rough sketches. The six rooms on the left of the hall to be left out altogether and also the second staircase.

Two more class rooms to be built over the hall, they and the hall to have verandahs carried all round them. The elevation of this part of the building would then be made to correspond with that of the wings and all the roofs would be terraced.

In order to give convenient access to the rooms upstairs the corridor must be repeated there. The arrangement of doors and windows would be substantially the same as in the type design.

The class rooms over the hall would be approached from the front verandah. No doors should be made between rooms: all should lead into verandahs or corridors.

4. If you will prepare a plan and estimates on these lines I am sure it will be accepted by the department.

Letter—from R. W. FORMBY, Esq., Executive Engineer, Bellary Division.
To—the Superintending Engineer, III Circle.
Dated—the 8th February 1908.
No.—186 S.E.

With reference to your No. 651, dated 27th January 1908, I have the honour to inform you that Mr. Vythianatha Aiyar approved of the site in his No. 920, dated 7th March 1904, to the Executive Engineer, Mr. Handcock, which report he forwarded to the Inspector of Training Schools (a copy of the report is herewith).

When Mr. Handcock was Superintending Engineer he forwarded with his office No. 94, dated 8th March 1906, the Director of Public Instruction's disapproval of the plan already submitted and informed me that the building was to be built as per type design. This necessitated an extra 20' length of site being acquired. In my No. 1362 M., dated 9th July 1906, copy attached, I informed the Inspector of Training Schools that the site was not suitable for a building of the type design. In my No. 1694 M., dated 10th March 1906 (copy attached) I asked the Inspector whether he had decided on a change of site.

In the Inspector's answer 267 W., dated 13th August 1906 (copy attached) he made further alterations in the plan. After finding out what land was required for the new design in my No. 930 S.E., dated 15th August 1906, I reported that the site was not suitable. On 28th February I received your No. 4662, dated 25th September 1906, with its enclosures which were taken as final orders on the subject.

V

Telegram—from the Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
To—the Superintending Engineer, III Circle.
Dated—the 9th March 1908.
No.—1587-C.

Please forward site plan (of) proposed Training schoolhouse, Anantapur.

VI

Letter—from P. R. ALLEN, Esq., M.I.C.E., Superintending Engineer, III Circle.
To—the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
Dated—Bellary, the 31st March 1908.
No.—2571.

As desired in your telegram of the 9th March 1908, I have the honour to forward herewith the site plan prepared for the proposed Training School at Anantapur.

Order—No. 324, Educational, dated 2nd May 1908.

Recorded.

2. The proposals for the construction at Dharmavaram of a building for the Training school, Anantapur, will be awaited.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Public Works Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 324, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 2ND MAY 1908.

[SUBJECT.—*Selection of another site for the construction of the Government Training school, Anantapur.*]

Previous papers.

G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904.
" " 542 W. " 15th May 1907.

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 7th December 1907, No. 6289.

In G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904, the Government approved the proposal of the Director of Public Instruction to construct a new building for the Government Training school, Anantapur, on a site (estimated to cost Rs 1,700) which belonged partly to the Anantapur Municipality and partly to a private person. It was also decided that the entire site should be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act, the portion of it belonging to the Municipal Council being taken up at a nominal value and that as soon as the new building was completed, the present building occupied by the Training school and the Municipal High school should be handed over to the Municipal Council for its high school. This site was selected by Mr. Stone (as Inspector of European and Training schools) and was approved both by the Public Works Department and the Collector of Anantapur (Mr. E. Scott).

Paragraph 3 of Director's letter—page 2 of G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904.

Vide paragraphs 2 and 3 of Director of Public Instruction's letter—page 2 of G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904, and paragraph 1 of Collector's letter on page 3 of G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 12th September 1904.

Department and the Collector of Anantapur (Mr. E. Scott).

2. In G.O., No. 542 W., dated 15th May 1907, the Government sanctioned an estimate amounting to Rs. 31,150 for the construction of the building. A sum of Rs. 15,000 is also provided in the Public Works budget for 1907-1908.

Ibid.

3. From the Director of Public Instruction's current letter, it is observed that the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, considers that the site has been very badly chosen and that such part of the land where there is safe subsoil to found the building on is too small for the reception of so large a plan and that he therefore recommends that the land already acquired and for which a compensation of Rs. 460-1-0 was given may be resold.

G. S. F[ORBES].

4. Dr. Bourne now brings to notice that it has since been suggested that it would be more advantageous to locate the Training school at Dharmavaram which is better suited for the purpose and that the decision of this question has been

allowed to lie over pending the inspection of both the places by the present Inspector of European and Training schools. But as the site selected at Anantapur will in any case have to be given up since it stands totally condemned by the Public Works

Department, the Director suggests that the expense of the land compensation already paid, viz., Rs. 460-1-0, may be borne by the Public Works Department, the site being allowed to remain the property of Government. He further requests that the sanction to the estimate of Rs. 31,150 accorded in G.O., No. 542 W., dated 15th May 1907, may be held in abeyance till the question of the future location of the Training school is settled.

5. Submitted that the papers may be forwarded to the Public Works Department for disposal.

P.R.—14-12-07.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—14-12-07.

Another lapse of Rs. 15,000.

C. A. SOUTER—16-12-07.

This is much to be regretted, but it cannot now be helped. The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, will doubtless take due notice of the Public Works Department authorities who approved the site in the first instance in 1904 and who are therefore responsible for the delay of three years.

H. D. TAYLOR—17-12-07.

Will Public Works Department note on this case, please.

A | Meantime the Director of Public Instruction may be informed that the site will be abandoned, and that proposals for Dharmavaram may be made.

G. S. F[ORBES]—17-12-07.

Draft please as at A.

H. D. TAYLOR—18-12-07.

The draft memorandum to the Director of Public Instruction placed below is for approval. After issue of the memorandum, the file will be sent to the Public Works Department with reference to the Honourable Member's remarks above.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—21-12-07.

Issue : and then to Public Works Department.

C. A. SOUTER—5-1-08.

[Memorandum No. 2934-1, dated 3rd January 1908.]

To the Public Works Department.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The Superintending Engineer, III Circle, may be asked to report the name of the Public Works officer who approved of the site originally selected by Mr. Stone and whether he did not examine the sub-soil before so approving. Draft submitted.

P. K. SUBBA AIYAR—13-1-08.

Issue.

A. G. ROMILLY—13-1-08.

[Memorandum to the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 13th January 1908, No. 330-C.]

From the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 26th February 1908, No. 1518.

Submitted. The site under reference was originally selected by the Inspector of European and Training schools and it was approved by the then Sub-Divisional officer, Anantapur, M.R.Ry. R. Vaidyanatha Aiyar, Honorary Assistant Engineer, who certified that a building 60' x 100' could be built on the site. Subsequently the design was altered and the dimension of the building increased. It was then found that it was not practicable to construct a building of the increased dimensions on the site selected. This necessitated the acquisition of an additional piece of land lower than the site originally selected. The Executive Engineer after ascertaining what land was required for a building on the revised design reported that the site was not suitable.

Paragraph 2 of the letter of the Executive Engineer, Bellary division, dated 8th February 1908.

Paragraph 3 of the Executive Engineer's letter.

Paragraph 2 of the Superintending Engineer's letter, dated 26th February 1908.

P. K. SUBBA AIYAR—7-3-08.

The site plan should be put up. What appears to have happened is this.

A design for a training school was prepared, and the Inspector of European and Training schools selected a site in consultation with the Sub-Divisional officer. All that the Sub-Divisional officer had to do was to certify that the building could be built on that site, and that the sub-soil was suitable. The Sub-Divisional officer certified that the site was large enough for the proposed building, and that the sub-soil at + 43 was hard kunker, an excellent soil to found on. No one has challenged this statement which may be taken as correct. The Collector of Anantapur has also stated that the site is very suitable for a training school. The land was then apparently acquired; but after this was done a new design was made out, or rather another design was adopted, which was too large for the site already approved, and which necessitated taking up more land. The only land available was 6' lower, and consisted of paddy fields which had been formed by digging into gravelly soil and filling the excavation with earth. The Assistant Engineer recommended carrying the foundation down to + 41' i.e., 1.10 feet below the level of the paddy fields. The Executive Engineer (Mr. Formby) objected to the site on the ground that the extra portion to be acquired was 26' below the original portion, but this is a mistake. It is only 6' lower. This is the only objection made by him. The Superintending Engineer (Mr. Allen) has apparently examined the sub-soil, but he does not give the result of his examination nor does he disagree with the Assistant Engineer's statement that it is kunker, so presumably it is.

The Inspector of European and Training schools now raises an objection to the site on the ground that two temples adjoining the site will shut out light and air; but the temples were there when the site was originally approved by him and the Collector.

The Secretary, Local and Municipal, holds the Public Works Department responsible for the delay of three years. All Public Works Department had to do was to certify to the fitness as regards stability of soil and area and this they did, and it is not yet shown that the soil was not suited for building on. Educational then changed the design for one which was too large for the site, and the delay thus appears to be due to the alteration of the design with which Public Works Department had nothing to do.

A. G. ROMILLY—9-3-08.

Telegram to the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 9th March 1908, No. 1587-C.
 " from the " " " " 31st " " No. 2571.

It would appear that a new site became necessary owing to a change made in the design and size of the building by the Educational Department.

F. J. WILSON—9-4-08.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Please see the note of the Public Works Department on pages 2 and 3 *supra*, with reference to Secretary's remarks on page 2 of note file.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—11-4-08.

There is nothing to be done now except wait the *proposals* to build at Dharmavaram.

C. A. SOUTER—19-4-08.

H. D. TAYLOR—21-4-08.

Yes. Apparently the Public Works Department were not much to blame—if at all.

M. H[AMMICK]—25-4-08.

H. D. TAYLOR—27-4-08.

It is submitted that the papers may be "Recorded".

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—27-4-08.

C. A. SOUTER—27-4-08.

To the Public Works Department for perusal and return.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

P. HAWKINS—22-4-08.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Record.

The proposals for a new building at Dharmavaram will be awaited.

H. D. TAYLOR—1-5-08.

Please see the draft placed below.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—1-5-08.

C. A. SOUTER—1-5-08

[G.O., No. 324, Educational, dated 2nd May 1908.]

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(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,

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2. The proposals for the
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