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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, Madras.  
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.  
Dated—the 26th May 1908.  
No.—Ref. on Cur. 3220.

I have the honour to submit the enclosed application with the necessary plan and estimate for the construction of a building at a cost of Rs. 55,600 for the use of the High school, Srirangam, and to recommend that a grant of Rs. 18,533 payable, when funds become available, may be sanctioned under rule 51 of the Grant-in-Aid Code. No grant is recommended towards the cost of the site which has been already purchased.

2. The necessity for the proposed building is testified to by the Inspector and explained in the remarks column of the application and in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the history of the institution a copy of which is submitted. The school, which receives no teaching grant from public funds, is deserving of encouragement inasmuch as it has been, since the date of its establishment in 1902, increasing in strength and popularity. The Inspector after his recent inspection of the school reported that it was in a flourishing condition, that it met a local want and commanded the confidence of the public.

3. The grant, if sanctioned, may be made payable on the additional condition that the committee of management is registered under the Companies Act.

4. The request of the management for payment of the grant by instalments previous to the completion of the work seems to be inadmissible under the Code, but is, however, submitted for the orders of Government. In any case, it seems improbable that the whole grant, if sanctioned, can be paid in one sum from one year's allotment in the budget.

## ENCLOSURE.

The High School, Srirangam.

"A Short History."

The Government for a long time maintained a middle school at Srirangam till about the year 1883, when the Local Municipal Council took over its management. The Council constructed a building in what is now used as the municipal garden and maintained the school in that building till 1886 when a High school was started by three graduates and in consequence the Municipal middle school was abolished. The High school, which was called the Town High school, worked well only for about a period of two years and a half and then expired. A number of Lower Secondary schools then sprang up one after another in rapid succession. For some reason or other none of them had a long existence.

2. It was on the 22nd January 1896 that this school was started as a Lower Secondary school by Mr. R. Veeraraghavachariar and it did steady work as such to the end of 1899. Encouraged by good results obtained in the departmental inspection and Government examinations, and by the general popularity gained by the school in the course of four years, the authorities were induced to open the fourth form in 1900. The year 1901 saw the opening of the fifth form and both the forms were then duly recognized. In 1902 the school rose to a full blown Upper Secondary school and sent its first batch of students to the University Entrance examination.

3. In 1901 the Municipal Council of Srirangam was kind enough to make over to the High school, the gymnastic apparatus and the library which belonged to the old Municipal Lower Secondary school. The library had afterwards in the year 1906 a substantial addition made to it by the late Sri Raja Rangayya Appa Rau, Bahadur, Zamindar of Nuzvid, who when on a pilgrimage to Srirangam was pleased to endow the school with a library worth Rs. 500.

4. The school has also been fortunate in the matter of institution of scholarships, Mr. S. Rm. Ct. Ramaswami Chettiar, the well-known banker of Kanadikathan, has founded two scholarships of the value of Rs. 120 per annum and Mr. S. M. Raja Ram Rau, Editor of the *Wednesday Review*, has instituted a money prize to the value of Rs. 12 to be given to a poor student to enable him to pay his application fees for the Matriculation examination.

5. The school is at present located in a rented building and it is with a view to provide it with a suitable permanent accommodation that strenuous efforts are being made to collect the necessary funds for the erection of the proposed new building. A spacious site has already been purchased for this purpose at a cost of Rs. 4,600.

6. The strength of the school has been steadily increasing year by year and has at present reached the number 428.

The table given below gives the strength of the school on the 31st March of the years specified:—

| Year.        | Strength. |
|--------------|-----------|
|              | RS.       |
| 1902 .. .. . | 263       |
| 1903 .. .. . | 333       |
| 1904 .. .. . | 372       |
| 1905 .. .. . | 375       |
| 1906 .. .. . | 352       |
| 1907 .. .. . | 366       |
| 1908 .. .. . | 428       |

7. The Institution is at present managed by a Committee consisting of thirteen members, most of whom have liberally contributed towards the building fund and thus have given a practical proof of their interest in the school. Arrangements are being made to have the Committee registered under the Act of Incorporation.

A. V. GOPALACHARI,  
Correspondent.

23rd April 1908.

## II

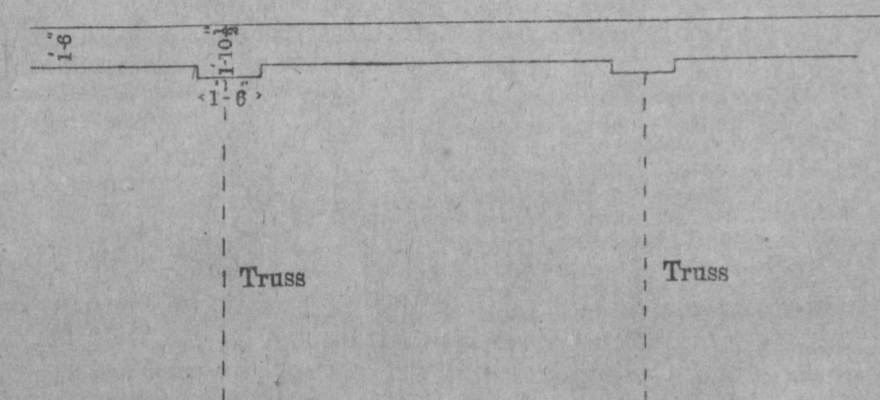
Note by the Consulting Architect to Government, dated 21st July 1908.

## Main Building.

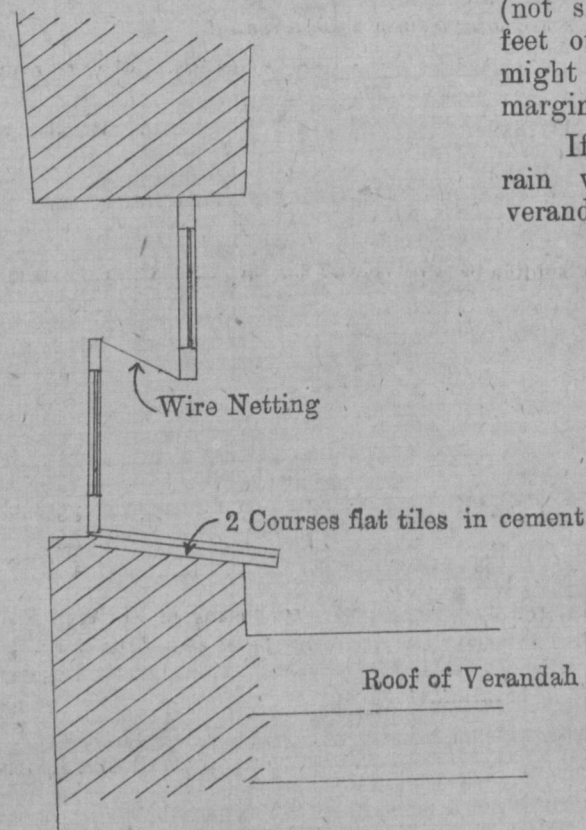
1. More abutment is required to the end arches at the corners of the verandah arcade on the ground floor.

2. In the hall upstairs we have a room 123' 9" × 25' 9", with walls 14' high, without any cross walls except two partitions which do not count. The walls of this

(Marked A on tracing.) hall should be 1' 6" thick on the upper floor, and it would further be desirable to strengthen them by piers under the trusses, 1' 6" wide and 1' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick.



3. Position of trusses should be dotted on the upper floor plan.
4. The walls marked B in blue on the tracing, directly under walls A referred to above, should be 1' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick.
5. On the sections through the roof, purlins should be shown.
6. The clerestory ventilators above the roof of verandah, should be arranged between the trusses, and should be raised up as high as possible under the wall plate (not shown) which should support the feet of the rafters. These ventilators might well be of the kind shown in the marginal sketch.

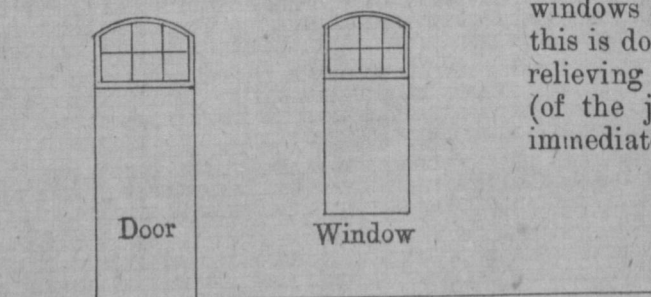


If fixed as shown on the tracing, rain would beat in off the roof of verandah.

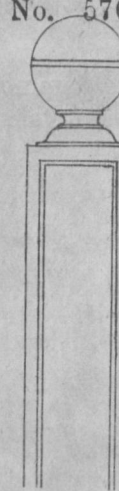
7. The cross walls under the hall may be 1' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick. Other cross walls on the ground floor which have walls above them on the upper floor may remain 1' 6" thick on lower floor and 1' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick on upper floor.

8. The jack arches should be standardised in width. Thus in rooms 25' wide there should be five jack arches, each 5' span, and in rooms 20' wide there should be four jack arches each 5' span.

9. Glazed ventilators are shown over doors and windows in the hall (*vide* half section A, B, C, D, E). These will give more light if combined with the doors and windows as shown in the margin, and if this is done there will be room to turn relieving arches under any of the R.S.Js. (of the jack arched floor) which come immediately above the ventilators.



10. The finials at the apices of the gabled roof might well be omitted. They appear to terminate in lightning conductors, but I find no provision for lightning conductors in the estimate, and they would not protect the roof as shown on the drawings.



11. The newels of the staircase are peculiar and ugly. Newels ought to look solid. The marginal sketch is suggested as an improvement.

12. The ornamental eaves board should be omitted. If the clerestory windows in the upper rooms are raised up as suggested in paragraph 6 above, no eaves board will be required to shelter or shade them; and the eaves board will not be seen, except at a considerable distance from the building, as the verandah parapet will hide it.

#### *Tiffin Sheds.*

13. The dwarf walls (between the piers which run up to the roof) might be 9" thick.

14. Collars should be provided above the dwarf walls, to prevent the rafters from spreading outwards at the feet.

#### *Watchmen's sheds.*

15. Windows should be provided in the front wall of the rooms as marked in blue on plan.

16. King post trusses are unnecessary for 12' span. Collar rafters will do.

17. There is not sufficient room to fit clerestory ventilators satisfactorily as shown under the eaves.

The eill of the ventilators should be at least 6" above the terraced roof of verandah. Ventilation holes 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " high, protected with wire netting on the outside, would suffice.

18. The cross walls between the rooms might be thinned down to 9" above the level of the verandah roof.

W. H. NICHOLLS,  
*Consulting Architect to Government.*

#### **Order--No. 570, Educational, dated 3rd August 1908.**

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2. The Director of Public Instruction will be requested to inform the Committee—

(a) that no grant can be paid before the completion of the work,

(b) that the cost of site already acquired cannot be taken into consideration in connection with the application for a grant,

(c) that no grant can be paid in any case until the Committee of Management is registered as an Association under section 6 of the Indian Companies Act, 1882.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,  
*Secretary to Government.*

To the Director of Public Instruction,  
with five plans and estimates.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 570, EDUCATIONAL,  
DATED 3RD AUGUST 1908.

[SUBJECT.—*Building grant for the High school, Srirangam.*]

*From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 26th May 1908, No. 3220.*

The application for grant which is said to have been submitted to Government has not been received. The Director of Public Instruction may, it is submitted, be requested u.o. to forward it to Government.

P.R.—3-6-08.

T. KANAKASUNDARAM PILLAI—3-6-08.

C. A. SOUTER—3-6-08.

*To the Director of Public Instruction.*

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

The application is now added to the file.

A. G. BOURNE—8-6-08.

*To the Educational Department.*

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the plans and estimates may, in the first instance, be forwarded to the Public Works Department u.o. for scrutiny.

P.R.—9-6-08.

T. KANAKASUNDARAM PILLAI—9-6-08.

C. A. SOUTER—10-6-08.

H. D. TAYLOR—12-6-08.

*To the Public Works Department.*

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Scrutiny has disclosed certain structural flaws in the design and there are other points which might be improved.

A note by the Consulting Architect is herewith in original.

It is suggested that the plans, estimate and note be sent through the Director of Public Instruction for correction of the structural details and consideration of the other suggestions of the Consulting Architect.

P. HAWKINS—24-7-08.

*To the Educational Department.*

## EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft order placed below is submitted for approval.

P.R.—31-7-08.

The points referred to in paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 of the Director of Public Instruction's letter will be dealt with when the revised plans and estimates are received. Perhaps it will be as well to say at once that no grant will be given for the site which has already been purchased and that the grant, if sanctioned, cannot be paid in instalments, as requested, before completion of the works.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—31-7-08.

C. A. SOUTER—31-7-08.

The Director of Public Instruction recommends a grant of Rs. 18,533. Ordinarily the Government limit the amount of their grants to Rs. 10,000. The limit in this case can be considered later when the plans and estimates have been revised.

2. I have added paragraph 2 to the draft in accordance with the suggestions of the Director of Public Instruction. The Committee might as well know this at once so that they can take the necessary action meanwhile.

H. D. TAYLOR—31-7-08.

Approved.

M. H[AMMICK]—1-8-08.

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H. D. TAYLOR—3-8-08.

[G.O., No. 570, Educational, dated 3rd August 1908.]

C.No.1238, from the D.P.I., No.3220, dated 26th May 1908.

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