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[Despatch Abstract.]

Miscellaneous - Restaurants for visitors - Construction - orders passed.

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ENCLOSURES.

No.

No. 923-3/24-25

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Station Madras, Dated the 22nd April 1925

From (Name) F.H.Gravelly Esqr., D.Sc.,

(Designation) Superintendent, Government Museum,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Law (Education) Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to invite a reference to my letter No. 923-2 dated 26th September 1924, recorded in G.O. No. 1606 dated 18th October 1924, and to forward the accompanying plans and estimates for constructing the restaurants for visitors, and the works connected therewith, as detailed below, amounting to a total expenditure of Rs. 5580/-.

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| 1. Restaurant for Muhammadans | ---- | Rs. 2360/- |
| 2. Converting the existing P.W.D. Store shed to a restaurant for Hindus. | ---- | 1400/- |

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3. For forming new roads, and constructing a masonry drain, rendered necessary -- Rs. 600/- by the restaurants for the proper drainage of the area.

4. Constructing a store shed for the P.W.D. -- 1220/-
Total 5580

The restaurants proposed are intended to supply a long felt want. I may ⁱⁿite a reference in this connection to my reply note No. 1160-1 dated 14th December 1923. The restaurants will be leased out at the most favourable rate procurable ^{and} when they are opened it is proposed to dispense with the services of the water-brahmin now employed on a pay of Rs. 15/- per mensem. (C)

Item No.(3) above provides for levelling the entire area from the Connemara Library to the Water pandal, and for diverting the main road to the Old Building, so that the restaurants may be as far removed from the main thoroughfare as possible. In regard to the restaurants, the Executive Engineer reports that the expenditure ^{does} not appear to be a legitimate charge against 41 Civil Works - Provincial, and asks for sanction of Government to be obtained to the estimate. In view of the importance ^{of} opening the restaurants as early as possible, I have the honour to solicit the sanction of Government at a very early date.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

F. H. Gravely

Superintendent.

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Cutting from Newspaper- The Daily Express dated

28-11-23- Article- Retrenchment in water supply.

5 MAY 1925

Copy of Government Museum U.O. No. 1160-1/23 dated 14-12-23.

It is a fact that the pipes in the compound were recently placed under lock and key, as there was considerable wastage of water, resulting in heavy charges for excess water supply. Though there is some plausible ground of complaint on that account, the matter has been not a little overstated. The visitors as a rule enjoy full water facilities, and if there was any inconvenience on account of keeping the taps locked, the matter could easily have been brought to my notice or to the notice of my Personal Assistant which the writer failed to do. As soon as the complaint appeared in the papers, the locked tap near the water pandal was replaced by a spring one, which it is hoped will prevent wastage, while giving free access to the public.

In regard to the statement that the water brahmin refuses water to whoever does not buy refreshments from him, it may be explained that in addition to supplying water, he has been specially allowed to keep some refreshments for sale for the convenience of the public, as there has been much complaint that no suitable refreshment room exists anywhere in the vicinity. While it is difficult to say how far the allegation is true, it must be admitted that the arrangement is unsatisfactory. The need for a proper restaurant on the Museum premises has been constantly pressed on my attention. Separate action was taken in the matter on 2nd January 1923 but is still under consideration of the Public Works department.

(Sd) F.H. Gravely.

Superintendent.
Govt. Museum.

To *Superintendent*
The Secretary to Govt. Museum, Law (Education) Department.
The Secretary to Govt. Museum, U.O.

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Memo. 1265c/15-2 11-6-25

Government Museum -

Madras - Restaurant for

Visitors - Letter from the

Supdt., No. 9 23-3/26-25, d/

d/ 22. 4. 25.

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The S. G. M.

is requested to report whether
the amount for which the
~~proposed~~
restaurants can be leased
together with the savings
due to the abolition of the
post of water-Brahman
will fully cover the interest
on the capital outlay and the
maintenance charges of the
restaurants.

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12 JUN 1925

To the S. G. M.

R. 3 weeks ago. 13.11.25

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ENCLOSURES.

No.

No.

777-1/25

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Station Madras

Dated the

18th June

1925

From (Name) F.H. Gravely Esqr., D.Sc.,

(Designation) Superintendent, Government Museum,

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Law (Education) Department.

Sir,

Reference Government Memorandum No. 1256

O/25-2 dated 11th June 1925. Though the amount for which the proposed restaurants can be leased cannot be determined at present, there seems little doubt that the amount together with the savings due to the abolition of the post of water-brahmin, will more than cover the interest on the capital outlays, and the maintenance charges of the restaurants.

I have the honour to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient servant,

F. H. Gravely

Superintendent.

(C.No.1265-C) From the Superintendent, Govt. Museum
No.923-B/24-25 dated 22-4-25.

Subject:-Government Museum, Madras-Restaurant for
visitors-plans and estimates.

In his report on the contingent expenditure of the Government Museum the Special Officer for contingencies suggested that the post of water Brahman in the Museum might be abolished by making the supply of water a consideration for the right to vend refreshments. The S.G.M. who was asked to his remarks on the suggestion stated that the water Brahman was not willing to supply water on this condition and that the Special Officer's suggestion was not feasible of adoption. He also stated that estimates for refreshment rooms were then under preparation. The continuance of the water Brahman was therefore approved.

The S.G.M. now submits plans and estimates for the following works:-

Estimated cost.		Rs.
(1) Restaurant for Muhammadans.		2,360
(ii) do for Hindus.		1,400
(The existing store P.W.D. store shed is proposed to be converted into a Hindu restaurant)		
(iii) Masonry drain.		600
(IV) Construction of a new shed for the P.W.D. in place of the shed - above.		1,200
		5,580

The need for the construction of refreshment rooms may be conceded in view of the fact that there are no restaurants in the vicinity of the Museum. In view of the special habits of the Muhammadan Community the construction of a separate restaurant for Muhammadans may be also accepted. The other

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Museum whether the lease amount together with the savings due to the abolition of the water franchise will cover the interest on the capital and the maintenance proposed charge of the buildings.

28 JUN 1925
LAW DEPARTMENT

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Finance no 203278

Law (Education) Sept

A draft memo to the

S. G. M. is submitted.

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7.6.25

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c. 18 6/6/25, from the S. G. M., No. 777-1/25, d/ 18

W.S.

This Supdt's letter may be forwarded to Finance w/o for perusal.

If Finance agrees, the Supdt., Genl. Museum,

may be told that there is no provision

for the work in the current year's law ed no 1265-C-

budget and that he may bring the

demand to the notice of the Superintendent.

Any engagement for that he may include

the request for work in the next

year's budget for minor work.

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Finance (Exp)

(Previous finance note on p. 3-4 ante)

The proposal of law (Exp) on p. 4 ante may be accepted.

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Fin w/o 2357040-1
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Law (Exp) Sept

A draft order is submitted

11 JUL 1925
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5 JUL 1925
LAW DEPARTMENT

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No. 1212 dated 11-7-1925

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The Superintendent,
Government Museum, is
informed that there is
no provision in the
budget for the current
year for the construction
of restaurants ~~for~~ⁱⁿ the
vicinity to ^(the compound of) the Government
Museum, Madras. ^{The Supdt.} ~~It~~ is
^a requested to bring the
demand to the notice
of the Superintending
Engineer, ^{Madras only,} so that his reply include
the necessary provision
under minor works in

the civil works budget
for 1926-27.

Done
8.7.25

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To

The S.C.M. with plans and
estimates (with refer.
to his letter no. 777-1/25)
d. 18.6.25.
copy to H.P. 10.0.

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