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E. & P.H. (1948) Department.

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G.O. NO. 2393. Edn.

Dated 20-9-'48.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Archaeology — Ancient Monuments — Tanjore Dt. — Pattukottai Taluk — Minarette near Salwanaickenpatnam — Preservation of — Reconsideration of previous orders — Declined.

Back Papers.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
MS.	237.	Fin. (C.S.)	7-12-1925.				

Further Papers.

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G.O	609	Edn.	8-4-57.				

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RAJAMADAM S.RAMAMURTI, 5-10-'47.
(camp) RAJAMADAM.

Hon'ble Minister for P.W.
Fort St.George, Madras.

②

Dear Sir,

Minarette - near Saluvanaickanpatnam (Pattukkotai Tq., Tanjore Dt).

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This large monument comprising of a seven storied tower, moat fort & underground passage etc. erected by Tanjore Maharajah Sarfoji in memory of Fall of Napoleon in 1814 - now remains neglected. This historic place should be brought under Monuments Act and proper repairs should be made to the structure. This can be utilised for stationing excise party & as a light house. Hoping this will receive your due attention,

Yours obediently,

Sd: RAJAMADAM S.RAMAMURTI.

P.W. Department.

Asst.Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
11th October1947, No:81129.

E & P.H.U.O.

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P.W.U.C. 4609. G/47-1.,
10-10-47.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Endt No: 81129 C2/47 - 1 Edn. Dated 30-11-47.

Referred to the Superintendent, Archaeological Survey of India, Southern Circle, for remarks.

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Sd:---------
Assistant Secretary to Govt;

To
The Superintendent,
Archaeological Survey of India,
Southern Circle,
Fort St.George.

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Archaeological Survey of India,
Southern Circle, Madras 9.
Dated 6th November 1947.

No. TJ/GL/3608

To

Sri Rajamadam S. Ramamurti,
(Camp) Rajamadam.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
1 - NOV 1947
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Sir,

Sub:-- Minarette - near Saluvanaicken-patnam - Pattukottai Taluk.
Ref:-- Your letter dated 5-10-47 to the Hon'ble the Minister for Public Works, forwarded to this office.

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I have included Saluvanaicken Patnam (Pattukottai Taluk) in my tour programme for November 1947, for the purpose of inspecting the seven-storeyed castle mentioned by you and deciding whether it is worth protecting as an ancient monument. According to my programme, I shall be there on the 30th inst.

Sd/- V.D.Krishnaswami.
Superintendent.

D/ No. TJ./GL/3610,
D/6.11.47

Copy forwarded to the Assistant Secretary to Government, Education & Public Health Department, Fort St. George, Madras, with reference to his endorsement No. 81129 C2/47 dated 30-11-47.

Sent in orig'l

V.D. Krishnaswami
Superintendent.

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Please see the copy of the letter of the Supdt., Arch. Survey of India on p/ ante. His remarks in the matter may be awaited till 15.12.47.

Re
8.11.47

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12.11.47

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The Supdt's reply has not yet been received. He has been reminded separately. His reply may be awaited till 5-1-48.

EXR sent.

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Ex.Rr. issued on 20/1/48.

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To
The Supdt., Archl. Survey of India, S.C.,
Madras.
Reminded on 23/2/48.

10/2/48

Ⓥ Memo. No. 81129/47-~~2~~ 3 C2. Edn., d., 7-2-48.

E.H.H.
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~~Memo~~

Archaeology — Ancient Monuments — Tanjore Dt. — Pattukottai Taluk — Minorette near Saluvanaickenpatnam — Preservation of. ~~Ancient Monument~~

Ref: Govt. Endt. No. 81129/47-1 C2. Edn., dated, 30-10-47 and reminders dated, 15-12-47 and 20-1-48.
From the Supdt., Archl. Survey of India, S.C., No. TJ/GL/3608, dated, 6-11-47.

The attention of the Supdt., Archl. Survey of India, S. Circle, is invited to the reference cited ~~above~~ and he is requested to say when his ~~final~~ reply in the matter may be expected.

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PRIORITY.

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Telegraphic Address:
Archæological Superintendent,
Mylapore (MADRAS).

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
27 FEB 1948
EDUCATION & PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

No. TJ.GI/

Office of the Superintendent,
Archæological Survey of India,
Southern Circle,

~~Mylapore~~, the 24th February, 1948.

FROM

V.D. KRISHNASWAMI, Esq., M.A., Dip.Arch.(Cantab),
Superintendent,
Archæological Survey of India,
Southern Circle,

14526A.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education & Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras (9).

Subject :— ARCHAEOLOGY - ANCIENT MONUMENT - TANJORE DISTRICT - PATTUKKOTTAI TALUQ - MINARETTE NEAR SALUVANAICKANPATNAM - PRESERVATION OF.

Reference: Your No. 81129/47-2-C2-Edn. dated 7--2--1948.

p5 ante

SIR,

I have the honour to state that I inspected the monument under reference on 30-11-47 and requested the District Collector Tanjore in my No.69/Camp 47 dated 4-12-47 to take interim precautions and issue instructions to the local village officers to take care of the monument till it is declared protected by our Department. I also requested the District Collector to exert his influence on the owners of this monument (who are said to be 33 in number all of them descendants of the present Prince) to part with their rights without any compensation for protecting the structure. The area being uncultivable marine wasteland, will not involve any real hardship on the parties.

I herewith enclose a copy of my letter stated above addressed to the Collector for your kind information with a request that the District Collector may be reminded to expedite the particulars called for by me for early action.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your obedient servant,

V D Krishnaswami

SUPERINTENDENT.

TSS

Copy of the letter from the Superintendent, Archaeological Survey of India, Southern Circle, Madras, camp - Pattukkottai, to the District Collector-Tanjore, No:69/Camp/47, dated 4th Decr.1947.

Sub: Ruined Fort and memorial column called 'Manora' in S.No.31 of village Sarabendrarajan Patnam No.259 - Pattukkottai Taluk Tanjore District - Protection of.

Manora

Ref: Endt.No.81129 C/2/47-1 Endn. Dated 30-11-47 from the Secretary to the Government of Madras - Education and Public Health Department.

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On receipt of a petition from Sri Rajamadam S.Ramamurti through the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works, Madras, I visited the monument cited above on 30-11-1947 in company with the Tahsildar of Pattukkottai. It has nine storeys and has a total height of 82 feet from the ground level. It was erected as evident from the tablets in the walls, by His Highness Maharajah Sarfojee Rajah of Tanjore, the friend and ally of the British Government to commemmorate the triumphs of the British arms and the downfall of Neopolian the Bonaparte in 1814 A.D. Though the monument is of the early 19th century it is worth preserving under the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act.

I was informed that this column is owned by 33 members of Maharatta Royal Family at Tanjore and the land all round is owned by the Junior Prince Sri Pratapasimha Rajah. I herewith enclose a field plan of S.No.31 containing this memorial column and indicating the portion of land required for its proper protection. The land all round the column is uncultivable waste inam land and has been so from time immemorial. The monument is in a tolerably good condition though many of the door and window frames with shutters were stolen away. Even in its present condition it is worthy of protection as a Public Monument. I find that a number of school children and a good many people in the district visit this place on excursions and picnics.

The owners of the monument and the land may be influenced to part with their rights and place them with the Government without any compensation for protecting the same. On knowing from you that the land and the monument as shown in the enclosed sketch will be available without any difficulties, I shall then approach the Director General of Archaeology in India to address the Government of India to declare the monument protected.

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Meanwhile I request you to take interim precautions and issue instructions to the local village officers to take care of the monument till it actually comes into our possession. This is of immediate necessity as a number of palmyrah trees all round the monument ~~having~~ charm to the site are being cut down by the owners, as the Karnam says. This, I nelieve, is due to the fear that this area will immediately pass on to the Government in consequence of the extant public agitation.

In this connection I have to thank you for the excellent arrangements made by the Tahsildar of Pattukkottai to reach the monument. I am glad to find that you have also made recently independent inspection with a view to protection.

Awaiting an early reply,

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

Sd: V.D.Krishnaswami,
Superintendent.

Enc: one sketch.

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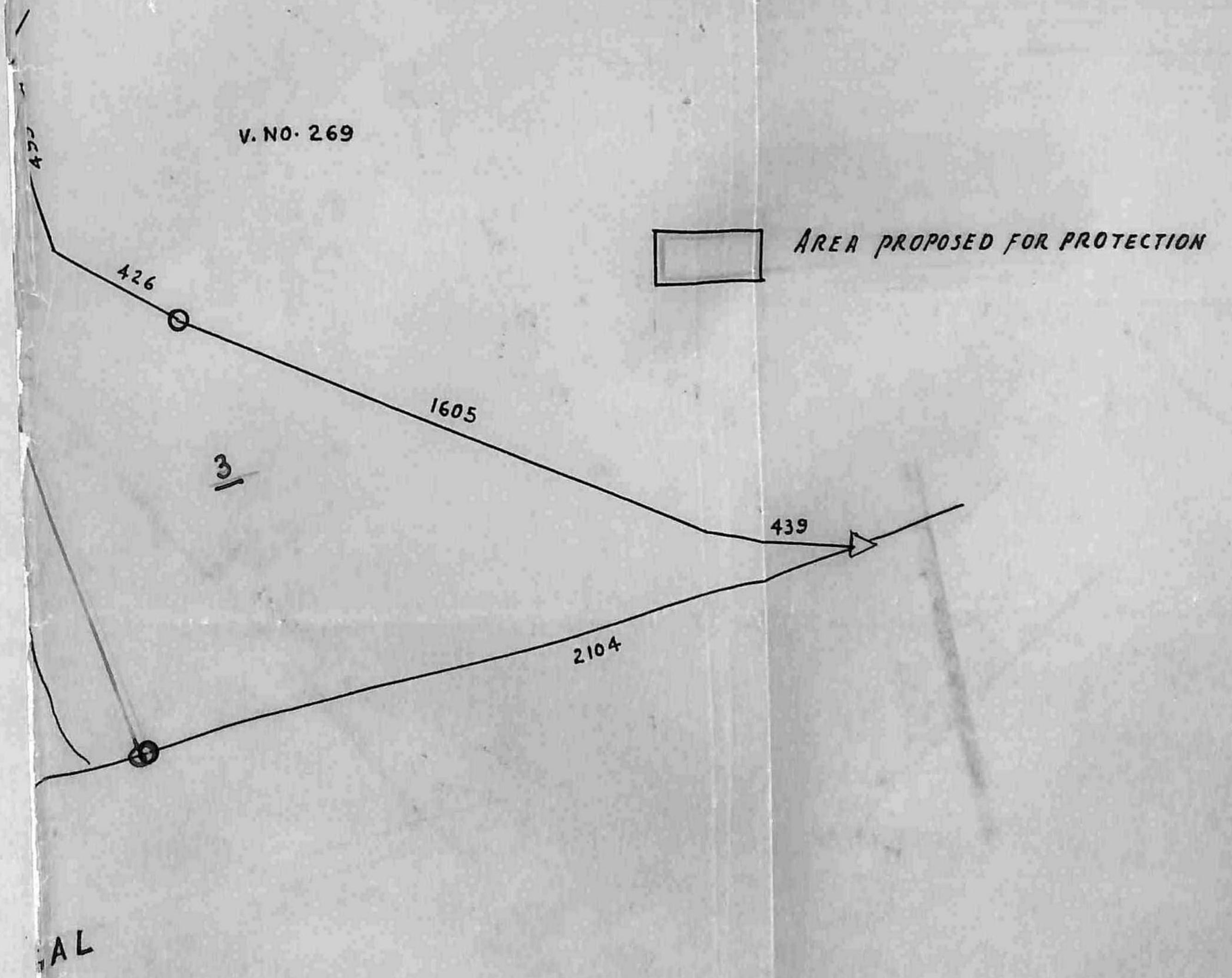
VILLEGE 259
NAME: SARABENDRARAJAN PATNAM I BIT
AREA 80.70 ACRES

1 & 3 N. KANDASWAMY PILLAI
AREA = 43.30 ACRES_ 2 = PRATAPA SINHA RAJA JUNIOR PRINCE
TOWER IS OWNED BY 33 PARTIES
29 IS OWNED BY MARIAMMAN KULAM
28 PRATAPA SINHA RAJA (WET LAND)
27 N. KANDASWAMY PILLAI & PRATAPA SINHA RAJA



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V.D.Krishnaswami
27.2.48

SUPERINTENDENT,
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY,
SOUTHERN CIRCLE,
MADRAS 9.

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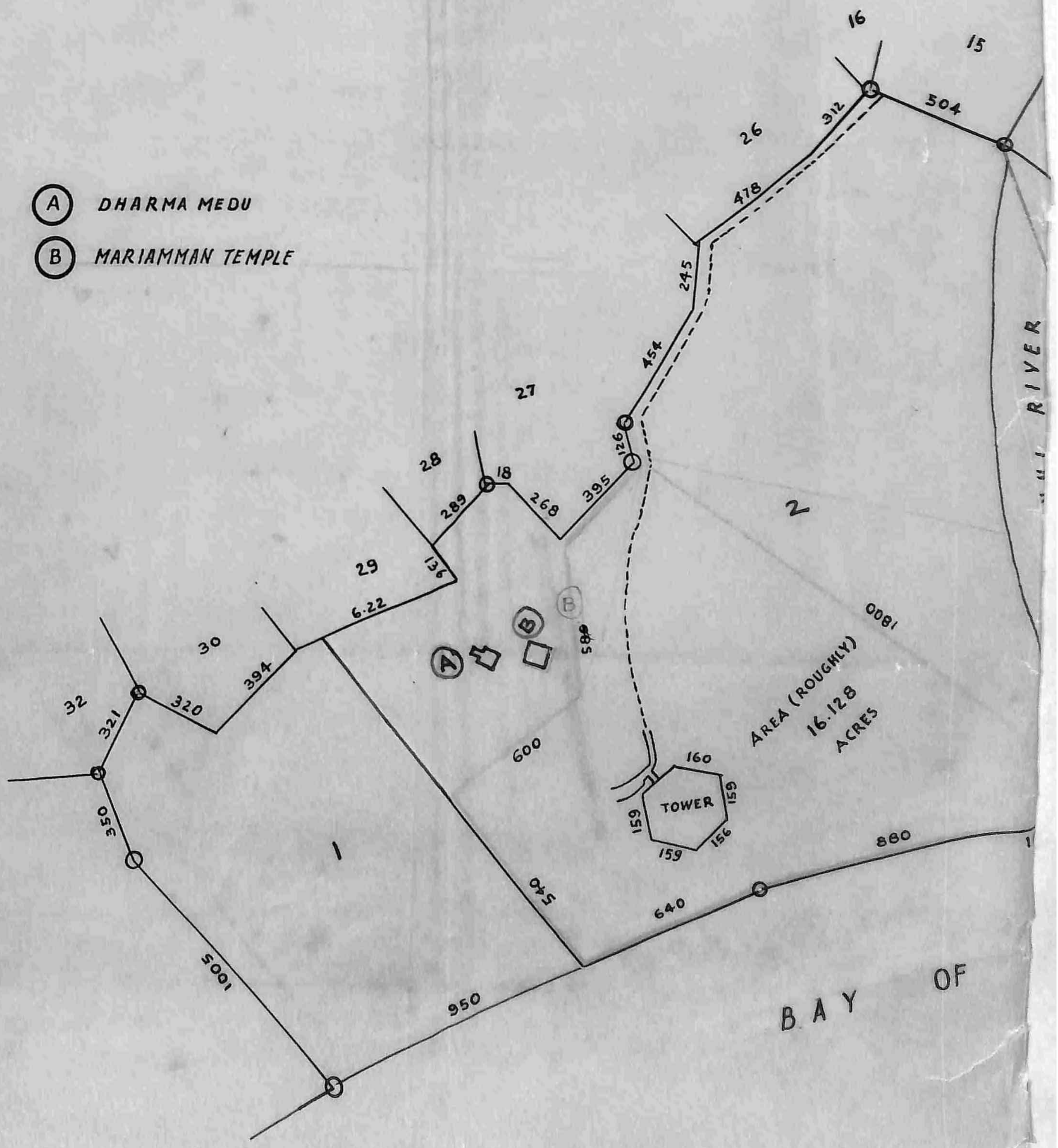
27.2.48

DISTRICT: TANJORE
TALUK · PATTUKKOTTAI

FIELD NO: 31

Ⓐ DHARMA MEDU
Ⓑ MARIAMMAN TEMPLE



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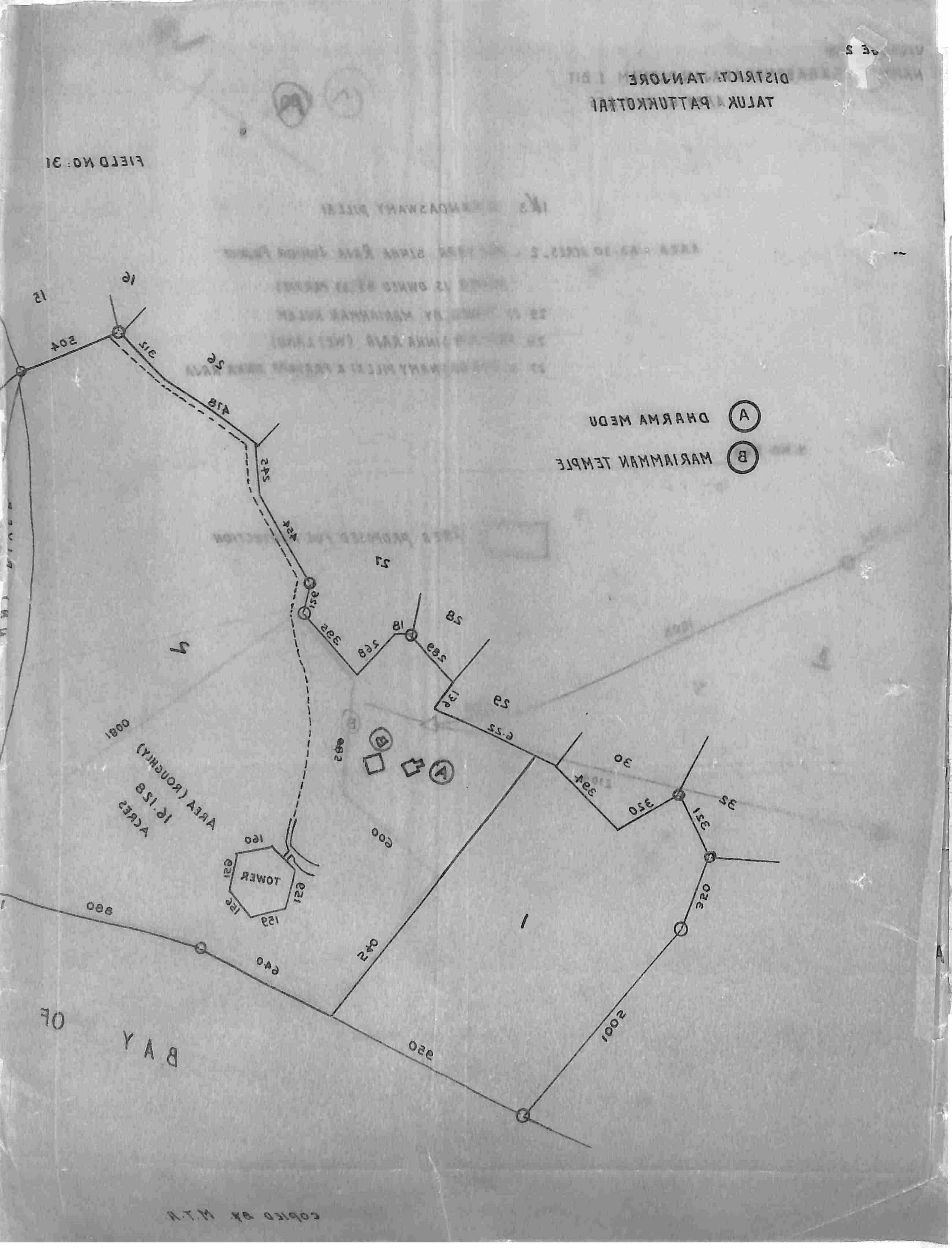

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Edu & P.H (C2)

Archaeology - Ancient Monuments - Tanjore Dist - Pattukkottai Taluk - Minarette near Salwanaickan-Patnam - Preservation.

Rg:-

From the Supdt. Arch. Survey of India, Southern circle, No. T.J. G.I dated 24.2.48

Memo No. 81129 C2/47-3 Edn Dated 18.3.48

A copy of the letter read above is communicated to the Collr. of Tanjore and he is requested to ~~submit~~ send his reply in the matter to the Supdt. Arch Survey of India, Southern circle, at an ~~early~~ early date

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To

The Collr. of Tanjore (with a copy of p7)
The Supdt. Arch. Survey of India
Southern circle
F.S.G

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Copy to the Collector of Trichinopoly with enclosures
(copy 25.8.49)

Contains a copy of the petition referred to in Govt. end. No. 81129 C2/47 d. 30.11.47 from the Supdt.

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Edu & P. H (C2)

Archaeology - Ancient monuments - Tanjore Dist - Pattukottai Taluk - Muniardi near Sabnavanaickenpatnam - Preservation.

Ref:-

Govt Endt. No. 81129 C2/47 - 1 Edn Dated 30.11.47
from the Supdt. Arch Survey of India
No. T. J. G I Dt 24.2.48

Memo No. 81129 C2/47 - 4 Edn Dt 26.4.48

The Supdt. Arch Survey of India is requested to state at what stage the matter now stands. ~~and he is also requested to furnish~~ ~~Govt~~ ~~G.O~~ A copy of the same endt cited above with its enclosure. may kindly be furnished to this Dept.

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on p 13 ante

To

The Supdt. Arch Survey of India
Southern circle
F. S. G

Re
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Telegraphic Address :
Archæological Superintendent.
Madras 9.
Telephone : 2152.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
13 MAY 1948
CHIEF SECRETARIAT

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No. 20/~~GL~~/1748

Archæological Survey of India,
Southern Circle,
Fort St. George, Madras 9.

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Dated 12th May 1948.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVT.
14 MAY 1948
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC

From
D.Krishnaswami, Esq., M.A., Dip.Arch(Cantab).,
Superintendent,

To
The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Fort St.George, Madras - 9.

35542

Subject :—MINARETTE NEAR SALUVANAICKANPATNAM (PATTUKKOTTAI TALUK., TANJORE DISTRICT)

K15 ante

Sir,

Public (Tappal)

E. & P.H. u.o.

Ref: Memo No:81129. c2/47-4 Edn. dated 26-4-'48.

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Reply from the Collector, Tanjore is awaited with reference to my letter No.69(camp)47, dated 4-12-'47, referred to in Government Memo No.81129. c2/47-3 Edn. dated 18th March 1948. A copy of the Govt.Endt. required is sent herewith. In this connection a reference is invited to G.O.No.237 Mis. Finance (C.S.) Deptt., Dated 7-12-1925.

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R. Varadarajarao.
(HEAD CLERK)
for SUPERINTENDENT.

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A final reply from the Supdt. Arch. Survey of India may be awaited till 10. 6. 48

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Edu & P.H (C2)

Archaeology - Ancient Monuments - Tanjore Dist - Pattukottai Taluk. Minarette near Saluvanaickanpatna - Preservation.

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Ref:-

From the Supdt. Arch Survey of India, No 20/GL/1748 d/ 12.5.48

p 17 ante

Memo No. 8112 9C2/47-5 Edn Dated 18.6.48

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The attention of the Supdt., Arch Survey of India is invited to his letter cited above on the subject and he is requested to state at what stage the matter now stands and when a reply may be expected in the matter.

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To
The Supdt., Arch Survey of India
Southern circle
F.S.G

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Archaeology - Ancient Monuments - Tanjore Dist - Pattukottai Taluk - Munarelte near Saluvanaickanpatnam - Preservation.

Ref:-

Govt Endt. No. 81129 C2/47 - 1 Edu D/ 30.11.47
From the Supdt, Arch Survey No. 20/G2/1748 D/ 12.5.48
Govt. Memo No. 81129 C2/47 - 5 Edu D/ 18.6.48

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Memo No. 81129 C2/47 - 6 Edu Dated 21.7.48

The Supdt, Archaeological Survey of India is requested to expedite his reply in the matter

To
The Supdt, Arch Survey of India
Southern circle
Fort St. George

22/7/48

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Telegraphic Address :
hæological Superintendent,
FORT ST. GEORGE.
Telephone : 2152.

No. 20/G1/ 2472

Archæological Survey of India,
Southern Circle,
Fort St. George (Madras 9).

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Dated......20th July........1948.

FROM
V.D. Krishnaswami, Esq., M.A., Dip. Arch.(Cantab.)
Superintendent.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department,
Fort St.George, Madras-9.

54068

Subject :— Ancient Monuments--Tanjore district--Pattukottai taluk--Minarette near Saluvanaickanpatnam--Preservation.

Ref: Government Memo No.81129-C2/47-5 dated 18-6-48.

Sir,

The Collector of Tanjore reports that the Junior Prince and other co-owners of the minarette "Manora" are not willing to relinquish their rights over it free of cost to Government but say that they have no objection for its being acquired by Government after paying adequate compensation to them. The owners say that the building was valued at Rs.1,00,000/- in the Palace suit O.S.No.3 of 1919 of District Court, West Tanjore.

B 2 The building in question was constructed in the year 1814 and as it is later than 1800 the charge of its preservation must fall on the Local Government and not on the Central Government.

9/(M) 3 The question of preserving this building was taken up as early as 1924-25 but was abandoned by the Provincial Government in G.O. No.237 Mis. Finance (C.S.) Department dated 7-12-25 on the ground that the "Government do not see sufficient reasons at present to declare the 'Manora' buildings as protected under the A.M.P. Act or to acquire it at the cost of Government".

A 14 4 In the circumstances the monument can be

P.T.O.

A declared protected under the A.M.P. Act only if the Government of India will certify it as an exception under the Devolution Rules, the effect being the cost will have to be borne by the Provincial Government. If the Government of Madras agree to meet the charges of preservation and acquisition, as the building is of considerable historical interest, deserving protection at Public expense, steps will be taken by this department for its protection.

Superintendent

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See Rule 6 in Part II of Schedule I to the Devolution Rules on p 131 of the Madras Legislative Council Manual — put up.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
21 JUL 1948
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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Archaeology — Ancient Monuments — Tanjore Dt. — Pattukottai Taluk — Minarette near Salwanaickenpatram — Preservation ~~of~~ — ~~Declined to~~ ~~Re~~consideration of previous orders ~~on the~~ ~~Subject~~ — Declined.

M/9 Read: G.O. MS. No. 237. Fin. (C.S.), d., 7-12-'25

P: 1 C.7. Read also: from Rajamadam S. Ramamurti, d., 5-10-'47.

PP. 23-24 C.7. From the Supdt., Archaeological Survey of India, Southern circle, No. 20/G1/2472, dated, 20-7-'48.

Order MS No. 2393 Edn., dated, 20-9-'48

The Govt. decline to reconsider their orders passed in G.O. No. ~~237 Fin~~ 237. Fin. ~~(C.S.)~~, dated, 7-12-1925, ~~in~~ on the

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the ~~matter~~ question of ~~the~~ conservation or acquisition of the "Mandra" buildings at Saluvanaikkanpatnam in Pattukottai Taluk, Tanjore Dt.

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To

The Supdt., Dept. of Archaeology, Southern Circle, Madras.
The Collector of Tanjore.
Sri Rajamadam
S. Ramamurti,
Rajamadam.
(with copy of G.O. at page 9 of (M).)

Desp with encl to S. Ramamurti
24.9.48

C. No. 595 of

(60)

[illegible] from Collector of Tanjore R.C. No 1189 Eng of 22-6-12 to D.E. Tanjore stating ~~that~~ the ruined fort & [illegible] at S. Pat. Pat. Tal. is one of the ancient monuments included in the list of Conserved monuments. An estimate for Rs 40 for the necessary repairs to the monument has been prepared by the Ex. Engineer & is now under the consideration of the Archaeol. Dept. I have to request the favour of your informing me whether you can make an allotment from Local funds for carrying out the estimate. On hearing from you, I shall ask the Archaeol. Dept. Supdt. to [illegible] sanction the estimate which may be executed by the L. Fund officials.

Ref. [illegible] 8/12 of 12 [illegible]

Forwarded to the Res. Engineer Local Funds Tanjore for remarks

Desp 2-7-12.

DOCUMENT NO 2

R. C. No. 595 of 12.

Collector's lett. to the District Judge re repairs to mamna at a cost of Rs. 40.

Submitted for orders if a reply may be sent to Court stating that there is no objection to pay from Estate funds the cost of repairs if done by Govt. or to have the work done by the Estate.

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The work may be done by the Estt itself

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(17) R. C. No. 595 of 1

To,

The District Judge

Tanjore.

Sir,

I beg to resubmit ~~with reference to~~

Courts Endt. Ref. on R. 812 of 12 d 2nd instant, ~~I beg to state~~ [illegible]

and ~~I beg~~ to state that an expenditure of Rs 40 will be made from the Estate funds for repairing the monument at Sakuvangile Kupatinam, and that the work will be executed by the Estate on receipt of the Estimate.

I beg &c

Sir

Rev. Supt.

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R.C. no. 595 of 12

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For despatch on 26-7-12

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No. 146
29-7-12

~~Wm~~

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To

THE RECEIVER AND MANAGER,

Palace Estate, Tanjore.

SIR,

With reference to your order L-C. No. 595 of 12 D/25-7-12. forwarding for execution Estimate for maintaining the ruined fort & memorial column at Salvanagakaupatnam. Rs 40, I beg to request that the estimate amount may be advanced to me as I have to go to the place & carry out the work personally.

As the place is very distant & new to me. I will have to pay the work people now & then.

Therefore I beg the advance may

e sanctioned

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
D. Dorasawmy Naidu
Estate Overseer
29-7-12.

Adv an order
For Rs 40 put up
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23 JUL 1912

R C no 595 of 12

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Tanjore Collector's Office
Dated 16th July 1912

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R C No 1199/Eng of 12
Encl. one estimate

From
R. B. Wood Esquire I.C.S
Collector of Tanjore

To
The District Judge Tanjore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 20 of 12 dated 9th July 1912, I have the honor to forward the estimate amounting to Rs 40 for maintaining the ruined fort and memorial column at Salwanayakkanpatnam in the Pattukkottai Taluk and request you to be good enough to cause the necessary repairs to be mad[e by] the Estate officials. I understand tha[t a] watchman on Rs 3 per month has been sanctioned for looking after this monument. He should be able to keep down any growth of rank vegetation.

I have etc
(Sd) K. V. Srinivasan
For Collector

Enc. 2. No 40 of 12 (True copy)
Encl. one estimate

Forwarded to the Receiver & Manager Palace Estate, Tanjore with reference to his R.C. No 595 of 12 dated 5-7-12 for information and necessary action.

(By order)

Tanjore District Court 23-7-12
S. Krishnaswami Ayyangar
Sheristadar
23-7-12

Dy. 23-7-12

R.C. No. 595 of 12

Forwarded to the Estate Overseer for immediate attention. The work must be carefully executed & bill submitted.

Receiver & Manager

answer to
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COLLECTOR & MAGIST
15 MAR 1912

Report to accompany the estimate for maintaning the ruined fort and Memorial column at Saluvanayakanpatnam.

Amount of estimate Rs.40/-

This fort is mentioned in item No.389 in the list of Ancient monuments prepared by the Archaeological department. The column is in good condition but some vegetation has grown in the masonry ditch and over the jack arched terrace of out side rooms bordering the column. These will be removed and all plants grown into the masonry will be rooted out. Some thorny trees have grown very near the outside walls of the column whose roots may endanger the walls and hence it is proposed in this estimate to remove them for a distance of 50 ft. allround the column. All these trees are growing in the land belonging to the Palace.

There is a watchman sanctioned for this building who is paid Rs.3 per month from the state and he should be instructed not to allow any vegetation to grow on the ground or on the walls.

The plastering has fallen in some of the outside rooms round the column but as this work does not seem to be so very urgent, No provision has been made in this estimate.

As it is necessary to have the vegetation and trees removed, this estimate is recommended for sanction.

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Executive Engineer,

Vennar Division.

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E. No. 28
10,000—17-6-09

ESTIMATE FORM.—Detail Measurements.

Detail of Work.	Number.	Measurements in Feet. Length.	Breadth.	Depth.	Area or Contents.	Total Quantity of each description of work.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Maintaining the ruined fort and memorial Column at Saluvanayakanpatnam. Estimate Rs 40						
Clearing vegetation grown outside the extreme walls of the memorial Column and also over the terrace of Jack arches.						
North side – Outside extreme walls. ✓	1	95'	30'	..	2850 ✓	
N. W. do. ✓	1	40	15	.	600 ✓	
S. do.	1	40	12	.	480 ✓	
S. W. do.	1	50	20	..	1000 ✓	
Grown on entrance to Column.	1	240	15	..	3600 ✓	
do. between entrance gates.	1	60	40	..	2400 ✓	
do. over terrace here + there	L.S.				570 ✓	✓
Total sq. ft.						11500
Removing thorny odai trees to 50 ft clear of the outside walls of Column.						
Side of north gateway.	1	70	20	..	1400 ✓	
do. north side wall.	1	94	20		1880 ✓	
east do.	1	93	50		4650 ✓	
S. E. do.	1	91	40	..	3640 ✓	
S. do.	1	43	50		2150 ✓	
do.	1	50	20		1000 ✓	
S. W. do.	1	93	30	..	2790 ✓	
W. do.	1	~~93~~ 63	30	.	1890 ✓	
tween gates.	1	75	30	..	2250 ✓	✓
Total sq. ft.						21650

N. K. Gopala aiyangar
Overseer P.W.D. 24-2-

P.T.O.

ESTIMATE FORM.—Detail Measurements.

Detail of Work.	Number.	Measurements in Feet. Length.	Breadth.	Depth.	Area or Contents.	Total Quantity of each description of work.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Applying scrub eradicator to roots of shrubs which have grown in masonry.					L. S	

N. K. Gopala aiyangar
Overseer P.W.D. 24.2.12.

A Nilakanta [illegible]
S. W. O
28. 2. 12.

ESTIMATE FORM—Abstract.

Quantity.	Description of Work.	Rate	Per.	Amount.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
	Maintaining the ruined fort and memorial column at Salvanayakanpatnam. Estimate Rs 40.				
11500 sq. ft.	clearing vegetation grown outside the extreme walls of the memorial column and also over the terrace of jack arches.	0.1.0	100 sq. ft	7	
21650 sq. ft	Removing thorny odai trees to 50 ft clear of the outside walls of the column.	0.2.0	do.	27	
	Applying scrub eradicator to roots of shrubs which have grown in masonry		L. S.	3	
	Contingencies and petty supervision	.	.	3	
	Total Rs			40	

N. K. Gopala aiyangar
Overseer P.W.D. 24.2.12.

A Nilakanta [illegible]
S. W. O
28. 2. 12.

[illegible]
Ag Collector of Tanjore
16.5.12

Grand Total of Estimate. .. Rs 40

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STATION——
Date——19 .

Executive Engineer

4/3/12.

9/3/12

(E. No. 32.)

100,000—27—8—09.

CIRCLE— Seventh

DIVISION— Vennar

DISTRICT— Tanjore

TALUK (~~OR ESTATE IN CASE OF ESTATE WORKS~~). P.atukota.

ESTIMATE FORM.--Abstract.

Financial Head—

Budget Head—

Departmental Head—

Main Head—

Sub-Head—

Project of which the work forms part—

Section— P.atukota.

Name of Work— Maintaining the ruined fort and memorial column at Salua-nayakkanpatnam.

Amount of Estimate, Rs. 40

To be carried out by— P.W.D.

REFERENCES.

No 185
26-9-12

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THE PALACE ESTATE
26 SEP 1912
RECEIVER & MANAGER

To

The Receiver and Manager.
Palace Estate Tanjore.

Sir,

The sub Accounts proforma shd be put up [illegible]

With Reference to your order R.C. No 595 of 12 Dt 25-7-12. I beg to report that the work of maintaining the ruined fort and memorial column at Saluanayakkanpatnam has been completely finished. The bill will be submitted shortly.

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient st.
C. V. Duraisamy Naidoo
Estate overseer.
26-9-12.

Encl:
1 - C.P. No 40 of 12 / 26-9-12
1 - P.W.D. Report
1 - Detail of Estimate
1 - Abstract
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TANJORE PALACE ESTATE
25 SEP 1912

R.C. No 595 of 12

No. 173 of 12

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ~~DISTRICT~~ Sub COURT OF TANJORE.

DATED THE 23rd DAY OF September 1912

~~Read letter No. dated 191 from~~

the ~~Receiver and Manager of the Palace Estate, Tanjore,~~

Order

The Receiver will report in a week whether the repairs to the memorial column at Saluvanayakkanpatnam belonging to the Palace Estate have been fully completed and whether the rank vegetation has been removed as desired by the Collector in his letter R.C. No $\frac{1189}{\text{Eng}}$ dated 16th July last, communicated to the Receiver in District Court Endorsement No 40 dated 23-7-12.

Subordinate Judge

To

The Receiver a~~nd Manager~~

Encs 26 of 12 Palace Estate,

TANJORE.

Sub 191
~~District~~ Court of Tanjore.

Palace Estate Department.

Proceedings No. 173 dated 23-9-1912.

Despd. 25-9-1912.

Enc. Nil

Subject.

V.E./R.C. No. 595 of 12

Palace Estate Overseer
for report within
48 hours.

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DESPATCHED
26.9.12

No 187
27-9-12

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To

The Receiver and Manager
Palace Estate Tanjore

Sir,

In returning your endorsement R.C. No 598 of 12 D/ 26-9-12. I beg to state that I inspected the work on the 21st Instant & submitted my completion report in my No 185/26-9-12. The bill will be submitted after obtaining the signature of the contractor who is absent from the palace.

Letter to Sub Court today

I beg to remain
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
P. Dorasamy Naidu
Estate Overseer
27-9-12

Encl:
1. R.C. No 595 of 12.

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R.C. No. 5957/12.

To,

The Subord. Judge

Tanjore.

Sir,

With refce. to Court's Diary No. 173 d 23rd instt. I beg to state that the Overseer ~~who was ordered to have the work executed~~ Rajan Lilly reports that the repairs to the Immemorial Column at Saluvanayakanpattam & the removal of the Rank vegetation have been completed. I shall also inspect the work ~~done~~ before payment is made. I beg &c

U Eng
Receiver

In despatch on 3-10-12

DESPATCHED
3-10-12

RC 595 of 12

Sub No. 192 of 12

Proceedings of the ~~District~~ Sub Court of Tanjore dated 4th October 1912.

Read letter RC No. 595 of 12 0726 of 12 dated 29th September 1912 from the Receiver ~~and in Manager of the~~ Palace Estate, Tanjore, stating that the repairs to the memorial column at Saluvanayakanpatnam and the removal of the rank vegetation are reported to have been completed and that the work will be inspected by him before payment is made.

Order

The Receiver will inspect the work and report at an early date on the same as a reply to the Collector is due.

Subordinate Judge

To

The Receiver ~~& Manager~~,
Inw 0 260 of 12, Palace Estate, Tanjore.

Enk 191 .

~~DISTRICT~~ COURT OF TANJORE

PALACE ESTATE DEPARTMENT

[illegible] 27/x [illegible]

Proceedings No. 192 dated 4-10—1912.

Despd. 4-10—1912.

[illegible] Tuesday [illegible] 4/x 1912

Enc. Nil

Subject. Bring this up after [illegible] [illegible]

Saluvanaikanpatnam manora. For favour of inspection of repairs - Submitted.

Submitted [illegible] 1912

No 194 Re 595 of 12 15

3-10-12

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4-OCT.1912

To

The Receiver and Manager
Palace Estate Tanjore

Sir,

In submitting bill for Rs 40 for the advance granted, I beg to report that the work of maintaining the Ruined fort & memorial column in the Saluvanaikanpatanam have been completed satisfactorily.

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient st.
A. V. Durasamy Naidoo
Estate overseer
3-10-12

Encl:
1 Bill

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Urgent

CALL.

No.

Proceedings of the Sub ~~District~~ Court of Tanjore.

[illegible] to Mr
[illegible] Dufwel
[illegible]

THE 4th DAY OF November 1912.

in 026 of 12

The Receiver ~~and Manager of the~~ Palace Estate Tanjore is requested to expedite the submission of the report called for in this Court's Proceedings No. 192 dated 4-10-12 regarding the completion of the repairs to the memorial Column at Saluvanayakanpatnam and the removal of rank vegetation thereon after inspection by him. The Collector, to whom a further report is due from the Court, has sent in a reminder.

Subordinate ~~District~~ Judge.

Submitted for orders
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To

THE RECEIVER ~~AND MANAGER~~,
In 026 of 12 PALACE ESTATE,
Tanjore.

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DISTRICT COURT OF TANJORE.

PALACE ESTATE DEPARTMENT.

~~Proceedings No.~~ ~~dated~~

Call on No 192 of 12

Subject. Dep 4-11-12

Urgent

Saluvanaikkanpatnam

Bill for maintaining the manora & memorial column. Submitted that this may be inspected. There will be pending in the out going [illegible] Progress Report.

The report called for by court on this subject is pending, and as the court has sent in a reminder on receipt of a reminder from the Collector.

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[illegible]

Order to [illegible] to report [illegible] to send [illegible] [illegible] Mahanam [illegible]

[illegible]

No I shall go next Monday. S.

I shall go there Monday [illegible] 18th

[illegible] 22nd [illegible]

V.E.

Letter to [illegible]

I have inspected

the ~~[illegible]~~ memorial column

& the village of [illegible]

any rank vegetation

appears to have been

removed outside

& [illegible]

[illegible]

many portions

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

16 [illegible]

But the memorial column [illegible] some repairs [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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No. 294 of 12
Execl

Subordinate Court, Tanjore.
16th November 1912.

TANJORE PALACE ESTATE
16 NOV. 1912
RECEIVER & MANAGER

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From

M.R.Ry. D. Venkoba Row Avergal, B.A.B.L.,
Subordinate Judge,
Tanjore.

To

The Collector of
Tanjore.

Sir,

W[illegible] reference to your R.C. No. 1189/English of 12 dated 13-1[illegible] I have the honour to state that on the 4th October 1912 [illegible] directed the Receiver to make a personal inspection at an early date and report whether the repairs to the memorial column at Saluvanayakanpatnam have been completed and the rank vegetation removed and he has not submitted his report as yet. I have this day issued strict orders to him to make the inspection and report before the end of this month. On receiving his report I shall address you again.

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

(Sd) D. Venkoba Row.
Subordinate Judge.

Submitted the Receiver has reported [illegible] [illegible]

Submitted. ~~The Receiver~~ has submitted Completion report. This has already been reported to court.

[illegible] 19/11

R.C. No. 595/12

No 294 of 12
Execl

(True copy)

Forwarded to the Receiver who is directed to go to the village and submit his report after inspection before the 25th Instant.

D. Venkoba Row

Subordinate Judge

[illegible] Tanjore Sub court
16-11-12

[illegible] 16-11-12

[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 21-12, [illegible]

[illegible]

O/c. by

Lemer

In despatch on 5-12-12

DESPATCHED. 5-12-12

4-12.

R.C. No. 595 of 12.
Enc 1.

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Tanjore 19
14.12.12

From

The Receiver
Palace Estate
Tanjore

To

The Subordinate Judge
Tanjore

Sir,

I beg to report that I have started for Saluvanayakanpatnam (P'kottai taluk) to inspect work No 3, viz. Repairs to the Fort and the memorial Column attached to the Palace Estate & referred to in C.P. 351 d 13.12.12. and shall report the result in two days. Owing to floods in the Maharaja Samudram I was unable to go till now. The Karnam's report* is enclosed.

x No 65
10-12-12.

I beg to be
Y
Receiver.

14.12.12

DESPATCHED.
Enc 1. 14-12-12
In despatch
on 14-12-12.

R.c.no. 595 of 12.

To,
The Subordinate Judge
Tanjore.

Sir,

With reference to Court's Proc. no. 192 d 4-10-12 and in continuation of my letter R.c.no. 595 of 12 d 14th Instt. I beg to state that I have inspected the ruined fort and the memorial Column at Saluvanaikanpatnam and that the work of maintaining ~~saa~~ them has been completed as per Estimate sanctioned by the District Court.

I beg &c

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R-C-No-595 of 12

To,

The Subord-Judge

Tanjore.

Sir: With refer to Court's Proc-No-192 d 4-10-12 and in Continuation of my letter R-C-No-595 of 12 d 14th Inst. I beg to state that I have inspected the ruined forts and the Memorial Column at Salwanaikanpatnam and that the removal of rank vegitation sanctioned ~~by the District Court~~ has been completed. ~~has been completed.~~

2. ~~But~~ I beg to add that the Memorial Column requires some ~~more~~ repairs such as putting up doors to some of the windows & replastering ~~walls~~ [illegible] & these ~~[illegible]~~ ~~And repairs~~ ~~to~~ for which [illegible] I have ordered the Overseer to submit an Estimate ~~including repairs to required~~

The C.P. must cut, also [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ~~beams~~ [illegible] repair slightly [illegible] to the ~~top most~~ Column – I shall soon submit ~~this Estimate~~ it for being transmitted to the to Comt. ~~which he will be invited~~

I beg

after C.E.'s approval in consultation with Archaeological Dept.

Y'rs
Rms

16-12

for despatch
by Special
peon on
16-12-12

DESPATCHED.
16.12.12

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R. C. No. 595 of 12

At the recent inspection of the Memorial Column at Salumanaikan-patnam it was noticed ~~and~~ that doors are to be provided for some of the windows in the Column and that the top most ceiling including beams requires slight repairs. The Overseer will submit an Estimate at once.

Y'rs
Rms

16-12

For despatch
on 18.12.12

DESPATCHED
18.12.12

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R.C No. 595 of 12

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Tanjore Palace Estate Office.

Dated 21. 2. 1913

From

THE RECEIVER

Palace Estate.

Tanjore.

To

The Subordinate Judge,

Tanjore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter R.C. No.595 of 12 dated 16th December 1912, I beg to submit herewith the estimate in duplicate for Rs.585 for repairing the memorial column in Saluvanayakanpatnam - village for transmission to the Collector of Tanjore for approval in consultation with the Archaeological Authority to ~~Department~~. The Court's Endorsement R.C.No.580 of 13 dated 18th February ~~is returned~~. herewith resubmitted). I beg to submit the Estimate in duplicate for Rs 585 for the ~~proper~~ necessary repairs to the memorial Column in Saluvanpatnam -

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

21-2-3

RECEIVER.

21.2.13

Please note for

DESPATCHED

21-2-13

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No. 513 of 13

Proceedings of the Subordinate Court of Tanjore dated 13th March 1913

Read letter RC **No.** 595 of 12 **dated** 21st February 1913 from the Receiver.

in O. S. 26 of 12, Palace Estate, Tanjore, submitting estimate for Rs 585 for the necessary repairs to be made to the ruined fort and the memorial column at Saluvanayakanpatnam.

Order

The estimate duly countersigned by the Archaeological Superintendent is herewith returned to the Receiver who will have the repairs executed at a very early date and report to the Court as soon as the repairs have been completed.

Subordinate Judge

To

The Receiver,

In O. S 26 of 12, *Palace Estate Tanjore.*

Advan Rs 250/- 24/6/13

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SUBORDINATE COURT TANJORE.

PALACE ESTATE DEPARTMENT.

TANJORE PALACE ESTATE
13 MAR. 1913
RECEIVER & MANAGER

Proceedings No. 513 dated 13-3-1913.

Despd. 13-3-1913

Enc. one

Subject.

Comd to the Manager, Palace Estate for immediate execution of work. The repairs may be executed soon

Estimate taken

17/3/13

TANJORE PALACE ESTATE
17 MAR. 1913
RECEIVER & MANAGER

தஞ்சாவூர் அரண்மனை [illegible]

[illegible] ரிசீவர் அவர்கள் சமூகத்திற்கு

தஞ்சாவூர் டவுன் [illegible]

[illegible] 668 [illegible]

[illegible] தெ. வீராசாமி [illegible]

[illegible]

தெ. வீராசாமி

17-3-13

R Asst

I believe this is the man to whom of whom the work of carrying out repairs to the Mansion building has been entrusted

TANJORE PALACE No 27
26-3-13
26 MAR. 1913

To

The Receiver Palace Estate
Tanjore.

Sir,

In obedience to your order Dt 15-3-13. I beg to state that I have given the work of repairing the Manora building of Saluvana Kianpattanam to one Veerasamy Pillay, the late contractor of the estate who has done the repair of Manora building in the previous occasions. I request that my action may be approved.

Approved
26/3

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient St
R. V. Dorasamy Naidu
Estate Overseer
26/3/13

Sir Noted
26/3/13

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No 98
24-6-13

Retro 5-950/12

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TANJORE PALACE ESTATE
24 JUN. 1913
RECEIVER'S & MANAGER

To

The Receiver Palace Estate
Tanjore

Sir,

In forwarding herewith the petition received from Veerasamy Pillay contractor for repairing the fort & memorial Colounm at Salvanallianpattanam Pattukottai Taluq to the extent of Rs 200 other materials at site for remainder works approximately to the cost of Rs 150 Altogether the amount of Rs 400.

(2) Removing Prickly Pears in the garden of Saltumboram chattram & Camp building is completed to the extent of Rs 95. Now the contractor

Approved
[illegible]

wants advance of Rs 400 So, I beg to request that a advance of (Rs 300) Three hundred only may be paid.

Total Rs 250+50=300 may be paid for the both works.

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient Sv.
A.V. Doraisamy Naidu
Estate overseer.
24-6-13.

Encl:
1. Tamil Petition from the contractor

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[illegible]

[illegible] 150 [illegible] 250 [illegible]

[illegible] 495 [illegible] 95 [illegible] 3 [illegible]

[illegible] 400 [illegible] 15 [illegible]

24-6-13

Sir
Submitted
A.V. Doraisamy Naidu
E.O. 24/6/13

TANJORE PALACE ESTATE
NOV. 1913

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ஸ்ரீ தஞ்சாவூர் அரண்மனை [illegible]
[illegible] அவர்கள் [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] ந. வீராசாமி
[illegible] கொண்ட மனு

[illegible] 40 [illegible] 100 [illegible] 2 [illegible] 60 [illegible]

ந. வீராசாமி[illegible]
5-11-13

No 206
7-11-13

Resubmitted

The work has been completed & final bills submitted for your kind inspection. The contractor has been paid an advance of Rs 550 for memorial work & 50 for removing Prickly Pears in the Satheebavachattram. The remainder Rs 79. Now the contractor wants a advance of Rs 60 & 50. I beg to request that a advance of Rs 60 Sixty only may now be paid which you deem fit.

P. V. Durasamy Naidu
Estate Overseer.

Check & Pay Rs 40 & write
[illegible]
7/11

Forwarded to the Receiver Palace Estate [illegible]
[illegible]
5/11

DESPATCHED
5-11-13.

Adv
Rs 40 on
Vr. 60
7-11-13

No 183
10-10-13

Advance for [illegible]

[illegible]

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To
The Receiver Palace Estate
Tanjore

TANJORE PALACE ESTATE
10 OCT. 1913

Sir,

Inspected
W. A.
Receiver
9-1-15.

9-1-15

I beg to submit herewith a final bill for repairing the Manora at Saluvanaikanpatnam. The contractor may be paid (Rs 300.) Three hundred only; now & the rest may be paid after personal inspection is completed. He was already paid an advance of Rs 250 for this work.

Pay Rs 300 I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
10/10/13

Encl:
1 Final Bill Rs 334.5-3.
1 Sanctioned Estimate Rs 585-0-0

P. V. Durasamy Naidu
Estate Overseer.
10-10-13

Advance order for Rs 300 put up.
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Submitted for favour of inspection.
[illegible]
13-10-

I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] via [illegible]
[illegible]

Submitted
[illegible]

Report to accompany the estimate for repairing the ruined fort and memorial column at Salvanaikanpatnam Puttukottai Taluk.

Amount of estimate is ... ... Rs. 585-0-0.

The memorial column and fort have been constructed in a Hexagonal shape with brick in chunam.

1. Plastering with chunam 2 coats and smoothening whereever necessary in the walls and in the jack arches of the fort rooms and the memorial column. The jack arches of the rooms all round the memorial column have cracked slightly. A lump sum of Rs. 10 for filling the above cracks with Portland cement is therefore provided in the estimate.

2. Brick in chunam work. The sides of the 2nd gate doorway and the top wall have badly cracked. Two of the arches in the 1st compound of the fort are open giving access to strangers to the fort in the absence of the watchman. These have to be closed. The doors and windows are all shaking, They have to be fitted tight with brick in chunam. Provision has been made in the estimate accordingly.

3. Teak wood shutters only. Some of the doors and windows in the fort and in the memorial column have lost their shutters They have to be replaced. The doors and windows of the whole building also require repairing by iron and wood to keep it in good condition. These have been provided for.

4. Teak wood windows with frames and shutters including iron fittings. The windows of the 7" & 8" stairs of the memorial column have lost their windows in two places. It is proposed to replace them.

5. Present wooden bridge across the 2 ditches in the fort is in a rotten condition, shaky and out of order. It has to be replaced by strong country wood planks 1" thick including

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including iron fittings and tarring the same.

6. Country wood work:--The lintel plank above the 2nd entrance is rotten. Provision is made for replacing it.

7. Painting:--The doors and windows have to be painted green with 2 coats, old paint having faded away.

8. Tarring 1 coat:--Doors and windows of the fort 1st compound rooms have to be tarred, the old coats having faded away.

9. Iron rails:--The 9" stair ceiling of the column has country wood beams. Their joints have rotten. It ~~is~~ appears to be dangerous to go over the top. Provision is made in this estimate for replacing them with iron rails fitted with iron plates, bolt, and nuts to secure the safety of the ceiling above.

10. Lump Sum Provision has been made in the estimate wherever it is found difficult to frame an accurate estimate (e.g) fitting iron rails, removing old beams etc. Payment will however be made at the scheduled rates on actual measurement of the work done.

Special rates have been adopted in consideration of the distance of the locality from the Railway Station of Adarampatnam.

P. V. Dorasamy Naidoo
Estate Overseer. 20-2-13.

A. H. Longhurst
Additional SUPERINTENDENT,
ARCHÆOLOGICAL SURVEY DEPARTMENT,
SOUTHERN CIRCLE.
5-3-13

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Note

The bill for the repairs done to the manora building is checked & found correct. Some of the works were executed over the sanctioned estimate & the charge was met from the savings under other items & from the contingencies provided in the estimate. Solicit orders as to whether a deviation statement has to be submitted to court for sanction or the bill may be passed for payment. The total amount of the bill is not exceeded over the sanctioned estimate.

Submitted for orders.

Is.

As the provision
is only intended to
incurred under some other
new works, unforeseen,
sums necessary – It

the provision made in the Estimate for a particular item is not utilized at all and used for a new work altogether, a deviation statement has to be submitted to the Court for sanction -

20-1-15

Payment made. This may be recorded

Dis. No. 139 7-15

Recorded

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Received

11-2-15

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R.C. No. 595 of 12.

To,

The Subordinate Judge

Tanjore.

Sir,

Adverting to Court's Dis. No. 513 of 13 d 13-3-1 I beg to state that the wo of repairing the Fort & t Memorial Column at Saluvanayakkanpatnam has been completed an inspected by me.

I beg

a/c. R

22-1-15

Petitioner's Advocate:-

Sri. T.R. Krishnaswami
Tanjore

35 sheets

Document No. 2

Before the Deputy
Tahsildar Pattukottai

R.C. No. 7027/60A.

Filed by the Petitioner
Ry. Prathapasimha
Rajah Saheb.

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Advocate:- 36

Sri. T.R. Krishnaswami
Tanjore

Document No. 3

Before the Deputy Tahsildar
Pattukottai

R.C. 7027/60A.

Filed by the Petitioner Ry.
Prathapasimha Rajah
Saheb.

1 Sheet

R.C. 3074-25-A-3.

Rd
8.11.25

Tanjore Divisional Office,
dated.

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From.
M.R.Ry Rao Sahib T.N. Chokkalinga Mudaliar Avl., B.A.,
Revenue Divisional Officer: Tanjore.

To
M.R.Ry. Pratapasimha Raja Sahib avl
Junior Prince
Tanjore

Sir,
~~Madam~~.

Please send your reply at once to my D.O. dated the 25th October 1925 regarding the conservation of the Manora buildings at Saluvanaickenpattai. The Collector has called for an urgent report in the matter.

H Ramachandra Iyer
5/11/25

For Revenue Divisional Officer.

5/11/25

Revenue Divisional Office,
Dated the 25th October 1925.

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From

M.R.Ry Rao Sahib T.N. Ch linga Mudaliar Avl, B.A.,
Revenue Divis l Officer, Tanjore.

To.

Ry. Prathapas ia Rajah Sahib avargal
in Prince Tanjore

Sir.

The Stationary Deputy ilder writes to me that he has requested you to state if y are prepared to enter into an agreement under Sec.5 of the ent Monuments Preservation Act, 1904 for the conservation of Manora Buildings at Salumaicken-pett. As the Government have ready sent a reminder in the matter, I shall feel thankful you will let me ~~know~~ have your reply within 2 or 3 days.

Thanking you i vance

I remain
ours truly

Re Divisional Officer.

DOC NO 4

Advocate:—
Sri T.R. Krishnasami
Tanjore

Documents No. 4.

Before the Deputy Tahsildar
Pattukkottai

R.C. 7027/60A.

Filed by the Petitioner Raj.
Prathapasimha Rajah
Saheb.

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Advocate:—
Sri T.R. Krishnasami
Tanjore

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Correspondence ~~File of papers~~ Relating to the
Beautiful Building of "Manora"
which is now standing on the Sea Shore
at Sarabendra Rajan Pattinam
Pattukkottai Taluk.

3/8/48.

Documents No. 5
Before the Deputy Tahsildar P.K.T.
R.C. 7027/60A.

Filed by the Petitioner
Raj Prathapasimha
Rajah Saheb.

Containing 19 Sheets

Recd 17.3.48 BR

"CHATHRAPATHI
PALACE ESTATE OFFICE,
TANJORE.
No. 1820
Received Date 17.3.48

From
H.C.M.McLaughlin.Esq.,
Collector of Tanjore,
Tanjore.

To
Ry. ~~Raj~~ Prathapasimha Raja Sahib,
Junior Prince, Palace, Tanjore

R.C.16379/47 B.10 dated 13-3-1948.

Sir,

Sub: Archeology - Ancient monumants - Pattukkottai taluk - Sarabendrarajanpattinam - "Manora" - inclusion in the list of ancient monumants.

It is ascertained from the Tahsildar, Tanjore that the 'Manora' situated in R.S.No. 31 of Sarabendrarajanpattinam of Pattukkottai taluk forms item No.4 in schedule I of the properties of the suit in O.S.No.3 of 1919 of the District Court West Tanjore and that as per the final judgment of the above suit, the 'Manora' vests among the successful parties in the suit as detailed below:-

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Defendant Nos.

1. Sivaji Rao Saheb (Rajaram Rao Saheb and his brothers)
2. Prathapasimharaja Saheb.
3. Vimalanandaji Saheb (deceased. The present heirs are Sachidanandaji Saheb and others)
8. Sivaharikumaranandaji (deceased) L.R. Rajamma Boi Ammani (present heir
9. Skandanandaji rao saheb (deceased)
   Prathaparam Rao Saheb (present heir)
10. Bathuanandaji rao
11. Vasudeva Saheb (deceased) } Ahilambal Boi ammani.
25. V.T.R. Ramadoss Saheb.
26. Dinkamath Saheb (deceased) D.Baskaranath and two other heirs)
27. Subbanantha Bhonsley.
29. Padmanatha Rao Bhonsley (deceased) Vinayaka Rao Saheb (heir)
30. Hariboi ammani (deceased) Minor Gopinatha Rao represented by Vittal Rao.
31. A.L.R. Arunachalam chettiar. ×

2. The Superintendent of Archeological Survey of India southern circle Madras has inspected the "Manora" and has stated that though this monument is of the early 19th centuary, it is worth preserving under the Ancient monument Preservation Act. He has also requested that the owners of the monumant and the surrounding land may be influenced to part with their rights and place them with the Government without any compensation for protecting the same.

3. It is reported that the monument belongs to the Chatrapathi Estate and that you are the receiver of the above estate. I therefore request you to obtain the consent of the owners to relinquish their rights over the monument and then to move the District Judge Tanjore west for according sanction to the relinquishment. The result may be communicated to me at an early date.

Balraj Thomas.
For Collector.
B.O.

Huzur Head clerk.

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From
H.C.M. McLaughlin Esquire.,
Collector of Tanjore, Tanjore.

To
~~The~~ Ry. Prathapasimharaja Saheb,
Junior Prince, Palace, Tanjore.

Recd 5/4/48 Rc.16379/47 B10 dated 3-4-1948.

Sir,

"CHATHRAPATHI"
PALACE ESTATE OFFICE,
TANJORE. 2
No. 1876
Received Date. 5/4/48

Sub: ARCHAEOLOGY- Ancient monuments - Pattukottai Tk. - Sarabendrarajanpattinam "Manora" inclusion in the list of ancient monuments.

Ref: This office Rc.16379/47 B10 dated 13-3-1948.

It is brought to my notice that an extent of 57 acres of land surrounding the "Manora" at Sarabendrarajanpattinam belongs to you. Please offer your consent to relinquish your right over the entire extent of land surrounding the monument and send it to me along with the consent of the owners of the "Manora" called for in this office reference cited above. Please treat this ~~ma~~ reference as very urgent.

Balraj Thomas,
for Collector.
/Byorder/.

Huzur Head Clerk.

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To

Sub: Archeology – Ancient monuments. Pattukottai Taluk – Sarabendrarajan Pattinam – "Manora" inclusion in the list of ancient monuments
Ref: Tanjore Collector's Rc. 16379/47 B, 16 Dt 13 3/48.

Sir,

I have enclosed herewith a true copy of the letter of the Collector of Tanjore in his Rc. 16379/47 B20 Dated 13.3.48. Please ~~give me~~ let me have your consent relinquishing your rights over the monuments ~~and~~ at an early date so as to enable

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4 ape. to move the Dt. Ct. West. Tanjore. for ~~acc~~ getting Court's Sanction.

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Prince & Receiver.

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Copies to 1919 1st Deft's L.R. (1)
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1922 7th Deft's L.R. (4)
1923 L.R. of 10th & 11th Defts. (5)
1924 25th Deft (6)
1925 L.R. of 26th Deft (7)
1926 28th Deft (8)
1927 L.R. of 29th Deft. (9)
1928 L.R. of 30th Deft — 10

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No.
Encl:

Chathrapathi Palace Estate Office
TANJORE 30 4 8 194

From,
SRIMANTH RAJAH SRI. PRATHAPASIMHA RAJAH SAHIB.
Proprietor, "Chathrapathi PALACE ESTATE"
TANJORE

TO,

SUBJECT :— Archeology- Ancient monuments
ttukkottai taluk- Sarabedrarajan -
pattinam- "Manora" inclusion in the
Ref:— list of ancient monuments.
Tanjore Collector's ~~R.~~ C.16379/47, B10 d
dated 13-3-48.

Sir,

I have enclosed herewith a true copy of the letter of the Collector of Tanjore in his R.C.16379/47 B,10 dated 13-3-48. Please let me have your consent relinquishing your rights over the monument at an early date so as to enable me to move the District Court, West Tanjore for getting Court's sanction.

Prince & Receiver.

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Rc.No. 16379/47 B.10.

Collector's Office,
Tanjore, 1.5.48.

From
H.C.M.McLaughlin Esq.,
Collector of Tanjore,
Tanjore.

To
~~Thm~~ Ry.Pratapasimha Raja Sahib,
Junior Prince,
Palace, Tanjore.

Sir,

Sub: Archeology - Ancient Monuments - Pattukkottai Taluk - Sarabendrarajan patnam - 'Manora' - Inclusion in the list of ancient monuments -
Ref: This Office Rc.No. 16379/47 B.10. dated 13.3.48; 3,4,48 and 18.4.48.

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Please see the references cited above and send your reply urgently.

Balraj Thomas,
for Collector.

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Huzur Head Clerk.
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"CHATHRAPATHI"
PALACE ESTATE OFFICE,
TANJORE.
No. 1979 4.5.48

To.
The Collector.
Tanjore

1941/6/5/48
Proposal.

Sub:- Archeology - Ancient Monuments - Pattukottai taluk - Sarabendrarajan pattinam. 'Manora" inclusion in the list of ancient monuments -

Ref: your R.C. 16379/47 B.10. dated 13/3/48. 3.4.48, 18.4.48 & 1.5.48.

Sir,

I have addressed the Co-owners of the building 'Manora" requesting to give their consent relinquishing their rights over the monuments. No reply has yet been received. I shall let you know as soon as I get their consent.

As regards the extent of 57 acres of land surrounding the Manora building and which belongs to me, I have to state that you may acquire the entire extent of land

under the provisions of Land acquisition Act allowing
[illegible] the schedule rate of compensation
along with the statutory allowance
of 15% on the compensation [illegible]
may arrive.

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@ the minimum rate of Rs 40/- a tree. — Rs. 840-0-0
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@ the average rate of Rs. 3/- } — 48-0-0
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Rs. 2780-0-0

According to the existing ~~rat~~ price of lands in the surrounding & also in the same village the acreage works out to. at the rate of Rs. 100/- (minimum) 5700-0-0
8480-0-0

Plus compulsory acqn. statutory allowance at 15%.

PALACE ESTATE OFFICE No. 2034 Received Date 21/5/48

No. 194 of 1947-48
Huzur Palace Estate office
Tanjore Dated 19th May 194

Encl:- nil

From
Rg. Rajaram Rajah Saheb Chatrapathy
Senior Prince, Palace, Tanjore

To,
Srimanth Rg. Prathapasimha Rajah Saheb Chatrapathy
Junior Prince and Receiver for I Sch in O.S. No. 3 of 1919 Dt. Court West Tanjore, Tanjore

Sir,

Sub:- Manora building – Sarabendrarajanpatnam Pattukkottai Taluk – inclusion in the list of ancient monuments – relinquishment in favour of Government – Consent called for.

Ref:- Your letter No. 1919 Dt. 30.4.194 1.5.48 calling for consent.

"CHATHRAPATHI PALACE ESTATE OFFICE, TANJORE. No. 2061 Received Date. 20/5/48

With reference to your letter No. 1919 Dt 1.5.1948 quoted above asking me to relinquish my rights over the monumen for inclusion in the ancient monumen before I could agree for the relinquishment of my rights, I wish to know firs your individual views in the matter as owner of 2/7th share in the said Manora building as to whether you are willin to concede to the request of the Government to relinquish your right over the

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monument free of Cost or you intend insisting for the acquisition of the building under the Land Acquisition Act. Since your letter under reference is only in your Capacity as Receiver for the 1st Schedule of properties in O.S.No. 3 of 1919 Dt. Court West Tanjore, I wish to know your independant views in the matter as owner of 2/7th share.

In this Connection I have to state that I understand that there was a ~~[illegible]~~ proposal during the Receiver's period ~~[illegible]~~ initiated by the Collector of Tanjore (Mr. A.R. Bristlee I.C.S.) for the acquisition of the building and it is only on the strength of that reference then pending between the Receiver, Palace Estate Tanjore and the Collector, the said building was included in the 1st Schedule along with other items and "reserved as acquisition proceedings are under Contemplation." The said file of papers may be available in your Receiver's office or in the Common records of the Tanjore Palace Estate office under your Charge as Curator. The said file of papers may be kindly sent to me for reference and return before I could send my final reply in the matter.

Rajaram Rajah.

Senior Prince and
Proprietor

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To.

Sri. Rq. Rajaram Raja Saheb.
Prince & Propr.
Huzur Palace Estate.
Tanjore

Sub: Manora buildings in Sarabendra Rajan Pattinam — Pattukottai Taluk — inclusion in the list of ancient monuments — Consent relinquishing your rights over the monument — requested.

Ref: your letter No. 194/1947-48 dated 19.5.48.

Sir,

This is to inform you that so far as my individual views in the matter is concerned, you know that according to our personal discussions in the matter I intend insisting upon, to acquire the building under the Land acquisition Act. I have to reply the Collector ~~only~~ to the above effect on receipt of yours and all co-sharer's reply to my reference.

As regards the file of papers mentioned by you. I have searched for it even before I receive your letter. but unfortunately it is not available and its whereabouts is not known. I have searched through my office records, palace Common records. The file is not traceable. Hence I regret I am unable to comply with your request.

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Prince & Propr.

Defendant is

In the Court of the Deputy Collector of Tanjore.

S. S. No. OF 194

Between :—

Recd 29/5/48

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From

H.C.M. McLaughlin, Esquire.,
Collector of Tanjore.
Tanjore.

To

Srimath Rajah Sri. Prathapasimha
Rajah Sahib,
Junior Prince,
Palace, Tanjore.

R.C.16379/47 B2 dated 26/5/48

Sir,

Sub: Archology-Ancient Monuments-Pattukottai taluk-Sarambandrajanapattnam 'Manora' inclusion in the list of ancient monument further report called for.

Ref: My R.C.16379/47 B10 dated 3/4/48 and your No.1991/6 5-48 dated 4-5-48

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I request to be informed early in the matter.

Balraj Thomas,
for Collector

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Huzur Head clerk

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PALACE ESTATE OFFICE,
TANJORE.
29.5.48

To

The Collector.

2161/48 Tanjore

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Sub: Archeology - Ancient monuments Pattukottai Taluk - Sarabendrarajapattinam - "Manora" Proposal - Inclusion in the list of ancient monuments.

Ref: Your Rc. 16379/47 B2 dated 26.5.48.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that I have not received any reply from the Co-proprietors of the monument as yet. I have again addressed them today to communicate their views in the matter as early as possible. I shall let you know as soon as I get their reply.

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To.

Sri. Ry. Rajaram Raja Sahib.
Proprietor.
Huzur palace Estate.
Tanjore

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Sub: Archeology. Ancient monuments – Pattukottai Taluk – Sarabendrarajanpatinam – "Manora" inclusion in the list of ancient monuments – Consent relinquishing your rights over the monument – requested.

Ref: This Office letter No 1919 & 1928/ 30.4.48;

Sir,

In inviting your attention to the above reference I have to state that the Collector of Tanjore has since issued four reminders in his R.C. 16379/47 B.20. dated 3.4.48, 18.4.48, 1.5.48 and 26.5.48. requesting for an early and urgent reply in the above matter. I would request you therefore to let me have your views ~~in the matter~~ as early as possible.

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Copies to: (1) ~~Le~~ R.S.A. ~~6th~~ Dept.
(2) -do- 8th
(3) -do- 9th.
(4) -do- 10th & 11th.
(5) 25th Dept.
(6) A.A. 26th
(7) 28th
(8) L.R.A. 29th
(9) -do- A. 30th.

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Prince & [illegible]

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No. 201 of 1947-48.

Sadar Palace

Tanjore Dated 7th Jan

Encl: nil

From. Srimanth
Reg. Rajaram Rajah Sahib Chatrapati
Senior Prince & Proprietor

To.

Srimanth
Reg. Prathapasimha Rajah Sahib Chatrapati
Junior Prince and Receiver
for No. I Sch: in OS No. 3 of 19
Dt Court West Tanjore.
Tanjore

Sir,

Sub:- Archeology - Ancient monument - Pattukottai Taluk - Sarahendrarajanpatnam - "Manora" inclusion in the list of ancient monuments.

Ref: your communication No. [illegible] dated 1.5.48 and No. 2162 of 48 dated 31.5.1948 on Collector's reference in Rc. No. 16379/47. B.10 of 13.3.48.

In reply I wish to state that it is the policy of the present Democratic Government of India to preserve the ancient and renowned monuments like the present one even at high cost. The Manora building in question is I understand valued at Rs 1,00,000/= in the Suit OS No. 3 of 19 District Court West Tanjore (Tanjore Palace Estate Part

uch) lands was reserved in common
all the parties at the time of partition
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ontemplation then viz in 1925. A reference
the said papers will prove facts. I under-
stand that the other Co-owners of the building
lso are not willing to part with their
right over the building free of cost
As desired in para 2 of the Collector's
communication under reference. Hence
in the light of the above facts, I would
equest you to move the Collector to
e open the question of acquisition of the
building with the surrounding lands
under the Land Acquisition Act in the
interest of all the parties and acquire
the said Manora building after awarding
fair and reasonable compensation.

M. Rajaram Rajah
7.6.48
Senior Prince & Proprietor

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(True Copy)
Forwarded / By order
Ramanathan
for Senior Prince &
Proprietor.
8/6/48

Recd 12/6/48

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Palace, Tanjore.
Dated 9th June 1948.

From
Ry. V. T. R. Ramadas Sahib and other
undersigned defendants and their L.Rs in O.S.No.3 of 19
on the file of the District Court, West Tanjore,

Palace, Tanjore.

To
Sri Prathapasimha Rajah Sahib Chatrapathi,
Receiver for Sch. 1 in O.S.No.3 of 19
District Court, West Tanjore,
Palace, Tanjore.

Sir,

Sub;- Archeology - Ancient Monuments - Pattukottai Taluk - Sarabendrarajanpatnam " Manora" - inclusion in the list of ancient monuments.

Ref:- Your Communication No. 1919 dated 1-5-48 and No. 2162/48 dated 31-5-48 on Collector's ref. in -- R.C.No. 16379/47 B10 dated 13-3-48.

While we really appreciate the intention of the present Government of India to maintain ancient and historical monuments like our Manora, we have to inform you in reply that the manora building in question was valued at Rs 1,00,000 in the Tanjore -- Palace Estate Suit O. S. No. 3 of 1919 on the file of the District Court, West Tanjore and this had to be reserved in common to all of us at the time of partition as acquisition proceedings by the Government were then under contemplation i.e., in 1925. ~~Ac~~ The other ~~xxxsharersxaxx~~ co-owners also are not willing to part with their rights over the said building without compensation as desired by the Collector in his communication under reference. Hence, in the light of the above facts, it would be better to move the Collector to reopen the question of acquisition of the building with the -- surrounding lands and acquire the same for a fair and reasonable compensation.

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T. S. Prathaparam Sahib
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Left thumb impression of Sri. Rajamma Boi Ammani (LR of 6th
T. T. Shahaji Bhonsle
T. P. Vinayak Sahib Bhonsle
Shivanath.
D. Sambosingh.

"CHATHRAPATHI"
PALACE ESTATE OFFICE,
TANJORE.
No 2132
Received Date 12/6/48

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From

V. Gopinatha Rao,
L.R. of Haribai Ammani,
Palace Estate, Tanjore. (30th Defendant in O.S 3/19
in West Tanjore Dist. Court).

To

The District Collector,
Tanjore.

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"CHATHRAPATHI"
PALACE ESTATE OFFICE,
TANJORE.
No. 2138
Received Date. 17/6/48

Sub:- ARCHOLOGY - ANCIENT - MONUMENT - PATTUKOTTAI TALUK - SARABANDARARAJAN PATNAM - "MANORA" - INCLUSION IN THE LIST OF ANCIENT MONUMENTS - CONSENT RELINQUISHING RIGHT OVER THE MONUMENT - GIVEN.

Ref:- Your office letter No.1919/130-5-48.

Sir,

With reference to your above correspondence requesting me to relinquish my rights over the above mentioned property as the same is required for preservation as an ancient monument in the department of Archology. I am hereby relinquishing my rights over the same for the above said purpose. I am sorry that your previous references in the above said matter did not come to my notice and as I have since attained majority and come of age, I am herewith giving you the necessary consent. The needful in the matter may be done as early as possible. Awaiting your further correspondence in the matter if necessary.

V. Gopinath Rao.
16.6.48.

L.R. of Haribai Ammani
Palace Estate Tanjore.

Copy to:

Srimanth Raja Sri. Prathapa Simha Rajah Saheb,
Proprieter "Chathrapathi Palace Estate" Tanjore.

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To.

The Collector.
Tanjore

Sub: Archiology - ancient monuments. Pattukottai Taluk. Sarabendrarajanpattinam - "Manora buildings" - Inclusion in the list of ancient monuments.

Ref: your R.C. 16379/47 B2. dated 26.5.48.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that the Co-owners of the Manora buildings at Sarabendrarajanpattinam in Pattukottai ~~[illegible]~~ Taluk while expressing their views to the effect that they are not willing to part with their rights over the buildings free of compensation as desired in para. 2 of your communication under reference state that the building was valued at Rs. 1,00,000 in the palace suit O.S. 3/1919 of Dt. Ct. W. Tanjore and that it ~~was~~ ~~[illegible]~~ had to be reserved in common at the time of partition as acquisition proceedings by the Govt. were then under contemplation i.e. in 1925. In the light of the above facts they request me to move the Collector to reopen the question of acquisition of the building with the surrounding lands ~~[illegible]~~ and to acquire ~~[illegible]~~ the same for a fair and reasonable

Compensation. Hence I would request you to get the building ~~acquired~~ and the surrounding land measuring 57 acres which exclusively belongs to me under the provisions of Land acquisition Act after awarding a fair and reasonable compensation. The true copies of the letters received by me are enclosed herewith for your reference.

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Sd/ 19/6/48. Prince of [illegible]

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From.
H.C.M. McLaughlin Esquire,
Collector of Tanjore, Tanjore.

To
The Junior Prince,
Palace, Tanjore.

Rc.16379/47 B2 d/19-6-48.

Sir,

SUB: ARCHAELOGY- Ancient Monuments- Pattukottai Tk. - Sarabendrarajanpatnam- Manora - inclusion in the list of ancient momuments.
Ref: This office Rc.16379/47 B10 d/13-3-1948 and Your No.2161/48 d/31-5-1948.

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Please see the reference cited above and send your reply urgently. It is pending for a very long time in my office.

Balraj Thomas,
for Collector.
/Byorder/.

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Huzur Head Clerk.

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CHATHRAPATHI
PALACE ESTATE OFFICE,
TANJORE. A82
No. 2150 28/6/48
Received date ....

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To.

The Collector
Tanjore

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Ref: Your Rc. 16379/47 B2 dated 19.6

Sub: Archaeology - Ancient monument Pattukottai Taluk - Sarabendrarajan pattinam - Manora - proposal for inclusion in the list of ancient monuments.

Sir,

Please see my reference 2268/48 dated 19.6.48.

(Sd) EK
Prince & Rece

V.B.K.
9/7/48. 9/10.7.48.

Advocate:- [illegible]
Sri. T.R. Krishnasami.
Tanjore

Document No. 6

Before the Deputy Thasildar
Pattukkottai
R. C. No. 7027/60A.

filed by the petitioner Raj.
Prathapasimha Rajah
Saheb.

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PALACE ESTATE OFFICE
TANJORE
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Advocate: 70 69
M. T. R. Krishnasami
Tanjore

Document No. 7

Before the Deputy Tahsildar of
Pattukottai

R.C. 7027/60A.

Filed by the Petitioner Reg.
Prathapasimha Rajah Saheb.

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presented in person on 25/1/57.

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From

Ry. Pratapasimha Raja Saheb,
Receiver in O.S. 3 of 19 (Schedule I Properties),
District Court, West Tanjore,
TANJORE.

To

The District Superintendent of Police,
TANJORE.

Sir,

I am the receiver appointed under the decree in O.S. 3 of 1919 for the common properties set apart under schedule I of the said decree.

The 'Manora' buildings at Sarabendrarajanpatnam, near Adirampatnam in Pattukkottai Taluk is one of the items of properties vested in me under the said decree and included in Schedule I as set out above.

The said building is a valuable and specially constructed work of Art, designed by Raja Sherfojee in the later part of the 18th century and the question of taking over the building and preserving it as an ancient monument under the 'Preservation of Ancient monuments Act is under consideration of the Government of India.

It has been reported that certain persons in the locality, taking advantage of the remoteness of the locality and the likelihood of its being taken over by the Government have been resorting to acts of vandalism by demolishing and carrying away portions of the buildings to their own places.

The following are reported to have resorted to these illegal acts; as will be evident from the report of the Village Officer.

1. N. Natesa Konan
2. Ramaiyya Konan
3. Subramanya Konan
4. Rangasami Konan
5. Chinnayya Konan
6. Kandan Ambalakaran
7. Nagamuthu Nadar, all residing at Sarabendrarajen-Patnam itself.

The said portions demolished and removed are still found heaped in front of the residence of the above said persons and the iron rods so removed are reported to have been cut and made into crowbars and cart tyres.

It is requested that immediate search might be ordered and necessary action taken against the abovesaid persons emergently.

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25.1.57

Palace, Tanjore,
25-1-'57.

Receiver in O.S. 3/19,
(Common Properties)
District Court
West, Tanjore.

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Edu & P. H (E2)

C No 81129 E2/47

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Ref:-

From Rajamadam S. Ramamurthi, letter Dt 5.10.47

From the Supdt., Arch Survey of India,

p7 cf — No. T. J. G I Dated 24.2.48

p23 cf — " No. 20/G I/2472 Dt 20.7.48

Archaeology. Ancient Monuments - Tanjore Dist - Pattukottai Taluk - Minarette near Saluvanaickanpatnam Preservation.

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p1 cf

[For a photograph of the tower, please see p. 3 of file 2372]

(M) 7.12.

One Sri Ramamurthi of Rajamadam reported to Govt that there is a large monument comprising of a seven storied tower erected by Tanjore Maharaja Serfoji in memory of the fall of Napoleon in 1814 near Saluvanaickanpatnam. Pattukottai Taluk, Tanjore Dist. He suggested that this historic place should be brought under Monuments Act and proper repairs should be made to the structure so that it can be ~~used~~ utilised for stationing excise posts and as a light house.

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2. The Supdt., Arch Survey of India who was consulted in the matter states that the Collr. of Tanjore has reported to him that the Junior Prince and other co-owners of the minarette "Manora" are not willing to relinquish their rights over it free of cost to Govt but say that they have no objection for its being acquired by Govt after paying adequate compensation to them. The owners say that the building was valued at Rs 1,00,000/= in the Palace Suit O.S. No 3 of 1919 of Dist court, West Tanjore.

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3. The Supdt., also states that as the building in question was constructed in the year 1814 and as it is later than 1800, the charge of its preservation

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must fall on the local Govt and not on the Central Govt. The monument can be declared protected under the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act only if the G.O.I will certify it as an exception under the Devolution Rules. In that case ~~the effect being~~ the cost ~~will~~ of maintenance of the monument will have to be borne by the Provincial Govt. If this Govt agree to meet the charges of preservation and acquisition, as the building is of considerable historical interest, deserving protection at public expense, steps will be taken by the Arch. Dept for its protection'

A p 24 cf

4. In this connection attention is invited to the notes and orders on pages 5-9 of ~~orders passed in~~ G.O. No. 237 Fin Dated 7.12.25. ~~and the notes on p 153 n.f. p (M). In the circumstances, it is for orders whether the building in question "Manora" can be acquired at Govt cost to declare it as a protected one under the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act of 1904.~~

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~~Finance may see for remarks.~~

Re 30.7.48 The question of declaring the minarette "Manora" as a protected monument or to acquire it at the cost of Govt was considered previously and dropped. It is for consideration whether the question will now be reopened and the previous orders ~~be~~ reconsidered.

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There appears to be no need to reconsider the previous orders.
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The case may be sent to Finance w.o. for remarks prior to circulation.

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Please see the notes on pages 1-2 above.

2. The Superintendent, Archaeological Survey of India, Southern Circle, has stated that the monument can be declared protected under the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, 1904, only if the Government of India will certify it as an exception under the Devolution Rules. These Rules are now obsolete. According to the Government of India Act, 1935, the Central Government only are concerned with 'Ancient and historical monuments' - cf. item 15 in List I in the Seventh Schedule to the Act. Apparently, the Government of India are not likely to meet the expenditure in acquiring and preserving the Minarette in question. Finance may agree with the view of E.& P.H. that there is no necessity to reconsider the orders issued in G.O.No.237, Fin., dated 7-12-1925 to the effect that the building need not be acquired at the cost of this Govt.

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A p 23-24 cf.

Y of Rule 6 in Part II of Schedule I to the Devolution Rules on p 131 of the Madras Legislative Council Manual Vol I

of para 2 on p 6 of (M) and B on p 23 cf.

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Please see the Finance note above..

The case may now be circulated to H.M.(Edn) ~~as already ordered at B on page 2 ante.~~ for orders on X at page 2 ante.

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A draft order is submitted for approval.

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