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M.R.O. Chittoor – Trans
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Copy of letter No.2177 dated 2nd April 1946 from the Di rict Judge, Chittoor to the Registrar, High Court, Madras.

Sub: Sub Court Buildings-Chittoor-Occupation by Curator's Office-Orders-Solicited.

I have the honour to state that the Sub Court Buildings have been in the occupation of the Curator's Office since the 2nd week of March 1942 and the Sub Court is being now held in the northern wing of the District Court Buildings. The -- Curator's Office was so located in the Sub Court Buildings owing to the war conditions, which reason had necessarily precedence over other considerations at that time. Now that the war is over, it is assential that the Sub Court should be moved to its original buildings, so that the existing congestion may be relieved, as, at present, it is highly inconvenient for both the Courts and their establishments and record rooms to be located in one and the same building. I have, therefore, the honour to request that the High Court may be ed o move the Government in the matter and obtain orders

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as early as possible. I may also state that since the file and pendency in the Sub Court is steadily on the increase, I may have to address the High Court in August 1946 for the appointment of an Additional Sub Judge from January 1947 in which case, the Sub Court buildings will become absolutely necessary.

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Public (General)-B Department.

25/5/46

Memorandum No. 1948/46-3 dated 25/5/46

Buildings - Madras - Accommodation for offices now in M.R.O. buildings at Egmore -

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The Government of Madras are considering the question of shifting back the M. R.O. now in Chittoor to Madras to its original buildings at Egmore. This building is now under the occupation of the following offices.-

1) Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests.
2) Office of the Provincial Textile Commr.
3) Office of the Inspector of Ml.Cls. and Ll.Bds.
4) Office of the Ex. Engineer, Civil Hydraulic Dn.
5) Office of the Dl.Supdt., Power Dev.
and 6) Office of the Director of Town Planning.

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The Collector of Madras is requested to suggest suitable accommodation for the above offices. In this connection he may take into account the requisitioned buildings now occupied by the A.G. which will perhaps ~~be vacated on his return to his buildings in t.~~

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be vacated on ~~the~~ his return to his buildings in the Fort St. George.

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To the Collector of Madras

Opd. 25/5/46

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Letter Ref. No. 22850-5 C2 (Em)
3-6-46.

Dt. 3/6

To
Hon' the Chief Justice,
Sir L(~~Rajadhyaksha~~)
High Court, Madras.

Hon. Sir,

Buildings - Chittoor Dt. - Sub court Building, ~~Chittoor~~ - ~~Request to~~ placing back at the disposal of the Dt. Judge, Chittoor. - Ref: ~~your~~ Mr P. ~~[illegible]~~ letter no 1596/46-D-4 of 9.4.46

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I am directed to inform you that ~~arrangements are~~ action is being taken to shift the Madras Record ~~Custom~~ Office from Chittoor back to Madras as early as possible.

I am however to add that ~~it is known~~ not an early matter and it is not possible to set a date for it.

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Letter No. 22850-5 C2 (Edn)

3-6-46.

To

Hon'ble the Chief Justice,

High Court, Madras.

Hon. Sir,

Buildings - Chittoor Dt - Sub-Court Building Chittoor - placing back at the disposal of the Dt. Judge, Chittoor. - Ref: Mr P.T. ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] letter No 1596/46-D-4 d 19-4-46

I am directed to inform you that ~~arrangements~~ action is being taken to shift the Madras Record Office at Chittoor back to Madras as early as possible.

It is however [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for it.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Education & Public Health Department.
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Letter No.22850-5 C2, Education.

From
P.S.Viswanatha Ayyar Esq., I. C. S.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras.

To
The Hon'ble the Chief Justice,
High Court, MADRAS.

Hon'ble Sir,

Dated Fort St.George the 3rd June,1946.

Sub: Buildings - Chittoor District - Sub-Court Building Placing back at the disposal of the District Judge, Chittoor.

Ref: Mr. P.T. Raman Nayar's letter No.1596/46-D-4, dated the 19th April, 1946.

I am directed to inform you that action is being taken to shift the Madras Record Office from Chittoor back to Madras as early as possible. I am however to add that

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it is not an easy matter and it is not possible to set a date for it.

Your obedient servant,

P.S.Viswanatha Ayyar,

N.P.3.6. **SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.**

(for file)

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From C. W. Tremenheere Esq., M.B.E., Collector of Madras, MADRAS.

To The Dy. Secy. to Government, Public (Gl.) Dept., Madras

No.A.7.4116/46 Dated, 10th June 1946

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Sir,

BUILDINGS - accommodation for offices now in Madras Record Office Buildings at Egmore - premises No.9 and 9-A Sunkurama Chetti Street

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GOVT. Memo No.1948/46-3 dated 25-5-1946 (Pub. Gl. Dept)

The above premises which are being vacated by the Commercial Tax Department were offered to various offices and all have declined to take the buildings as they are unsuitable. The building is old and unsuitable and I consider that there is no use of holding on to it as no office will take it. I, therefore, suggest that the lease may be closed and the building returned to the owner as soon as it is vacated by Commercial Tax Department. The premises were not requisitioned under the D.O.I. Rules. They were leased by private arrangements.

I solicit orders of Government in the matter.

10.6.46

COLLECTOR OF MADRAS

cds.10.6.

DEPUTY SECRETARY
11 JUN 1946
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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

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Public (General) C Dept. 11

Rc. No. 1948/46-5 dated 12/6/46 ⑧

Issue 12/6/46

Buildings – Madras – Premises No. 9 and 9-A. Sunkurama Chetty St. occupied by Commercial Tax department – Released.

Ref: From the Collector of Madras. No. A-7. 4116/46 d/10-6-46.

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In the circumstances stated in his letter cited above, the Collector of Madras is requested to release the ~~building~~ premises No. 9 and 9-A Sunkurama Chetty St., and return them to the owner.

Apd SB 12-6-46

To the Collector of Madras.

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From C. W. Tremenheere Esq.,M.B.E., To The Dy. Secy. to Govt.
Collector of Madras, Public (Gl.) Dept.
MADRAS. MADRAS.

DEPUTY SECRETARY
20 JUN 1946
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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

No.A.7.4116/46 Dated, 18th June 1946

BUILDINGS - Madras - Accommodation for offices now in Madras Record Office Buildings at Egmore
GOVT. Memo No.1948/46-3 dated 25-5-1946 and p. 5 ante.
MY letter of even No. dated 10-6-1946 p. 9 ante.

Out of the four requisitioned buildings, three are still occupied by the Accountant General's office and the fourth viz. "Kingston" is to be handed over to Messrs. Oakley Bowden & Co. The leased buildings, I understand, were directly given back by the Accountant General to the owners.

I, therefore, regret that there is no other building that can be suggested to the several offices mentioned in the Government memo cited above at present. But I have suggested to the Inspector of Municipal Councils the portion of the ground floor of the Old High Court Buildings recently vacated by the Naval Armament Office and await his reply.

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COLLECTOR OF MADRAS

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Public DEPARTMENT.

REMINDER. General-C Branch.

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Collector of
Madras.

12 JUN 1946

I am directed to invite attention to Govt Memo [illegible]

No 1948/46-3 dated 25/5/46 and

to request that the reply to it may be expedited

~~request that this reminder may be returned at once with information as to—~~

~~(1) the stage at which the matter now is,~~

~~(2) the date by which a reply may be expected, and~~

~~(3) the circumstances which have caused the delay.~~

Chief Sectt.
Office

Fort St George.
Station

15/6/46
Date

A A V[illegible]
Signature.

for Dy Secy to Govt.
Designation.

SUBJECT. ~~15/6/46~~ ~~8/7/46~~ 15/7/46

Buildings - Madras - Accommodation for offices now in M R O. buildings at Egmore.

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REPLY.

To The Deputy Secy. to Govt.
Public (Genl.) Dept.

UNDER SECRETARY
7 JUN 1946
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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

Sir,

I request you to refer to my letter no. A.7.4116/46 dt 18.6.46 in the matter.

20.6.46
Collector

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Public (General)-C Department.

Memorandum No. 1948/46-7 dated 24/7/46

Buildings - Madras - Accommodation for offices now in M.R.O. buildings at Egmore.

Ref: From the Collector of Madras, No.A.7. 4116/46, dated 18th June 1946.

The Collector of Madras is requested to state whether it has ~~since~~ been possible to secure suitable accommodation for the offices now in the M.R.O. buildingsxx at Egmore, Madras.

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To the Collector of Madras.

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From C. W. Tremenheere Esq., M.B.E., To The Dy. Secy. to Govt.
Collector of Madras, Public (General C) Dept.
MADRAS. MADRAS.

No.L.Dis.5723/46 Dated, 2nd August 1946

Sir,

BUILDINGS - accommodation for offices now in
Madras Record office buildings at Egmore
GOVT. Memo No.1948/46-7, Public (Gl. C.)
dated 24-7-1946 [illegible]

DEPUTY SECRETARY
4 AUG 1946
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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

I regret that no suitable building is available for the accommodation of the offices now in the Madras Record Office Buildings at Egmore, Madras.

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COLLECTOR OF MADRAS

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9 Aug 1946
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

D.O.No.1697 A/46-6.

Madras Record Office,
Chittoor, 6th August 1946.

pp22-24 infra

Dear Mr.Viswanatha Ayyar,

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I have addressed the Government separately and suggested that steps may be taken to shift the Offices which now occupy the Record Office buildings to other buildings as early as possible. I have also suggested that the Government might issue instructions to the Collector of Madras or the authorities concerned to assist the members of the staff in finding living accommodation in Madras when they go back to Madras. As I told you, the problem of getting accommodation in Madras is worrying all of them. About 50 to 60 persons* Officers, Assistants, Clerks, Attenders and peons, are likely to be stranded in Madras suddenly if nothing is done for them. I have therefore suggested in my letter that, besides issuing instructions to the authorities concerned, the Government might also place some of the Government quarters in the city and its neighbourhood at our disposal. There may be some quarters, for instance, in the Government House compound and in the compound of the Bodyguard Lines which are not required by the staff of His Excellency. The stables in the Bodyguard Lines may also perhaps be converted into quarters for Attenders and peons. I am told that, if the Military Secretary or the Private Secretary to His Excellency is consulted, it may be possible to find out whether we can get any of the builings for our use. I would therefore like to suggest, if you have no objection, that attempts may be made to get some of these or other quarters for the use of the members of the Madras Record Office. Of course, the

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2 Officers.
1 Search Assistant.
1 Special Assistant.
2 Assistants.
10 Upper Division Clerks.
3 Lower Division Clerks.
4 Typists.
34 Attenders.
4 Peons.

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quarters are not required immediately but are required only when the office moves back to Madras.

Yours sincerely,

BSBaliga

To

P.S.Viswanatha Ayyar Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
8 - AUG 1946
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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No.1697 A/46-5.

Madras Record Office,
Chittoor, 6th August 1946.

From

Rao Bahadur Dr.B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office, CHITTOOR.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

9 AUG 1946
44955

Sir,

Sub:- Records - Removal to Madras - Arrangements - Proposed.

Last month when the Honourable Minister for Revenue was at Chittoor, he visited the Madras Record Office and informed me that some of the lawyers of Chittoor had represented to him that they were experiencing considerable inconvenience owing to the prolonged occupation of the Sub Court building at Chittoor by this office. I thereupon explained to the Honourable Minister the various difficulties which the Madras Record Office has also been experiencin by the detention of the records in the interior for more than four years. The Honourable Minister then stated that he would make arrang ments for the transfer of the Madras Record Office back to Madras in about two months.

2. The only obstacle in the way of transferring the records back to Madras at present is the occupation of the Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore by a number of Government Offices some of which have staff of one hundred or more clerks attached to them. Until these offices are provided with accommodation elsewhere in Madras they will not be in a position to vacate the portions occupie by them. One of the record blocks and two large rooms became vacant about three weeks ago by the removal of the Office of the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards and the Director of Town Planning to the Old High Court Buildings. The two rooms have however been occupied again, though temporarily, by the Provincial Textile Commissioner and the Chief Conservator of Forests. But the record block is vacant and I have already proposed to the Government in my letter No.1697 A/46-4 dated 15th July 1946 that orders might be issue for refitting in that block the racks which have been removed from it My letter has been referred by the Government to the General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops in their Endorsement No.38583 C2/46-1 Edn., dated 23rd July 1946.

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3. The work of fitting up the racks is however likely to ta some time, since the racks are tall structures of iron held togethe by two tiers of iron gratings so as to form one huge compact framework covering almost the entire block from the floor to the ceiling While therefore arrangements are being made to refit the racks in the block which has now become vacant, I beg to suggest that steps my kindly be taken by the Government to release the four other blocks which are still under the occupation of the office noted on the margin* so that as soon as the racks are fitted up in one block, the work of fitting up the rack in another may be taken up. It is not necessary that al the offices should vacate the buildings simultaneously. I know that it will be difficult, in the present conditions, to find accommodatio for all these offices at once. I only wish to suggest that they may be shifted from the Record Office buildings as and when other buildi become available.

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1. Office of the Provincial Textile Commissioner.
2. Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests.
3. Office of the General Superintendent, Power Development.
4. Office of the Executive Engineer, Civil & Hydraulic Division.
5. Office of the Textile Control Officer.

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4. As soon as the blocks become vacant, I shall submit proposals for removing the records from Chittoor and Palmaner to Madras. I shall also submit an estimate of the expenditure that is likely to be incurred over the transfer. In the meantime I will be failing in my duty if I do not bring to the notice of the Government the apprehensions which the members of the staff feel in regard to their accommodation in Madras. Apart from about five or six persons who possess their own houses in Madras, the rest numbering more than 60 persons* Officers, Assistants, Clerks, Attenders and peons may find it very difficult to obtain living accommodation in the city in the conditions which now prevail there. When the records were transferred to Chittoor in 1942 there was a similar scarcity of accommodation in Chittoor caused by the exodus of people from Madras to the places in mofussil. The Government were however kind enough to issue instructions to the Collector of Chittoor to assist the members of the staff of the Madras Record Office in finding accommodation. The P.W.D. Inspection Bungalow at Chittoor was also placed at my disposal for my residence. If some assistance similar to this were to be given now to the members of the staff by the Collector or other proper authorities in Madras, they will be able to obtain living accommodation. Otherwise, most, if not all, of them will be stranded in Madras and will consequently be put to great hardship. I therefore beg to suggest that the Government may be pleased to issue the necessary instructions in the matter. I also beg to suggest that if any of the Government quarters in the city and its neighbourhood become vacant, they may be allotted to the members of this office. B

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2	Officers.
1	Search Assistant.
1	Special Assistant.
2	Assistants.
10	Upper Division Clerks.
3	Lower Division Clerks.
4	Typists.
34	Attenders.
4	Peons.

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6.8.46

BR. C. no: 44955 –

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CURATOR.
7-8-1946.

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E & P.H. Dept
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Please see portions marked A & B on pp 3-4 above and C on p 1 above. The question of finding accommodation elsewhere for the 5 offices which are now housed in the M.R.O buildings at Egmore is under consideration in Pub (Genl). That dept may see the Curator's letters and say in what stage the matter now is.

p 3 ante

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19.8.46.

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19.8.46.

DEPUTY SECRETARY
20 AUG 1946
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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

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Memo: 44955 ~~B~~ – C2 – 46 – 2. d: 2 – 9 – 46.

M.R.O. Chittoor – Shifting back to Mad

pp 23-24 cf C. no: 44955: From the Curator, M.R.O. no. 1697 A/46
d. 6.8.46.

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pp 19 cf The Curator, M.R.O is informed th the Collector of Madras has stated that no suitable buildings are available for accommodating the office now in the M.R.O buildings at Egmore. It is not, therefore, possible to shift the Record Office back to Madras for some time to come.

To
The Curator,
M.R.O.

28.8.46

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E & P.H. Dept. (C-2.)

Letter No. ~~[illegible]~~ 44955 - C2 - 46-3, D/. 2-9-'46.

Ref

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To
The Hon'ble the Chief Justice,
High Court, Madras.

Hon'ble Sir,

Sub:- Buildings - Chittoor District - Sub-Court building - Placing back at the disposal of the District Judge, Chittoor.

In continuation of Mr. Viswanatha Ayyar's letter No. 22850-5-C.2, Education, dated 3-6-1946, on the subject mentioned above, I am directed to say that it has not been possible to find suitable buildings for accommodating the offices now occupying the Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore. It is not therefore feasible to shift the M.R.O., from Chittoor back to Madras for sometime to come.

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I have the honour to be etc.,

Y. o. s.

28.8.46

E & P.H. Dept.(C2).

C2. Edn.,

D.O. No.44955-5 dated 19-9-1946.

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Done in Secn
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Dear Dr. Baliga,

Sub:-Staff of the M.R.O., Chittoor - Accommodation in Madras.

pp 21-22 cf.

Please refer to your D.O. No.1697 A/46-6, dated 6-8-1946 to ~~Mr.~~ Viswanatha Ayyar wherein you have suggested that some of the quarters in the Government House Compound at Mount Road and in the Body guard Lines may be allotted to ~~the~~ members of the M.R.O. I am to say that all the buildings in the Government House Compound have not yet been vacated ~~by H.E.'s staff~~ and it will take some time to provide alternative accommodation ~~for them~~ at Guindy. It is therefore too soon to consider the suggestion made by you. It will, however, be kept in view when the ~~use~~ utilisation of the buildings is finally decided upon.

pp 11-12 cf

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Yours sincerely,

SRK
19.9.46

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To Rao Bahadur
Dr. B.S. Baliga, Ph.D. (Lond)
Curator, M.R.O.
Chittoor

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Copy of Memorandum No. 5716/46-1, Public (General-C) dated 28-11-1946 to the Collector of Madras.

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Buildings - Madras - Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1946 - Accommodation for the offices located in the Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore.

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The Collector of Madras is referred to this department Memo. 4849/46-1, dated 2-10-1946 and is requested to say whether it has been possible to secure accommodation for any of the following offices now located in the Madras Record Office, buildings, Egmore:-

1. Chief Conservator of Forests.
2. Provincial Textile Commissioner.
3. Executive Engineer, Civil Hydraulic Division.
4. General Superintendent, Power Development.

He is also requested to say when it will be possible to return the buildings for use of the Madras Record Office.

/ True Copy /

K. Varadachari, M.L.A.,
Chittoor,
14-4-47.

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To Sri. T.S. Avinadhilingam Chettiar,
The Hon'ble Minister for Education.
Government of Madras,
Madras.

Baba,

Chittoor has been hit by the Congress Government in several ways and the headquarter~~s~~ town is undergoing an intolerable travail owing to the persistent attitude of the Government in retaining the Curator's office in the Headquarters of the District The host of clerks etc., including the officers have been responsible to create a congestion in the town which is felt ~~very~~ sorely by the - people here. About 10 months ago I addressed a D.O. to you and you were pleased to asure me that steps were being taken to remove the office to Madras very early. There is no sign of it as yet. In the meantime the sufferings of the people continue Not only this. The bench and bar at Chittoor are put to a heavy strain

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due to want of moving space inthe courts owing to the occupation of the sub court premises by the Curator's office. Are our cries to go unheeded like this. The Curator and his staff seem to like this place very much with the result that hundereds of middle class and poor families are exposed to numerous dfficulties and miseries on this account. Is there to be an end of our woes or not? Kindly excuse me for this cry. I hope that it is not made in the wilderness.

Yours sincerely,

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C. R. PARTHASARATHY IYENGAR, B.A., B.L.
ADVOCATE.
CHITTOOR.

President, The Bar Association. 4-8-47.
Chittoor.

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
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GOVT. OF MADRAS

To

The Hon'ble Sri. T.S.Avanashalingam Chettiar. Avl.
Minister for Education
Govt. of Madras. (Now at Chittoor Camp).

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
7 - AUG 1947
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
8 - JUL 1947
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Sir,

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I beg to forward herewith the resolutions passed by the Bar Association, Chittoor, for favourable consideration and immediate action. The inconvenience felt for the last so many years is simply intolerable, and the sooner the records office is transferred to its normal place outside Chittoor the greater will be the convanience to the public and to all concerned.

I have the honour ~~Sir,~~ to be
Sir, ~~to be~~ your most obedient
Servant,
C.R. Parthasarathy Iyengar

Proceedings of the Special General Body Meeting of
the Chittoor Bar Association, held at 1 P.M.
on 4th August 1947

The following resolutions moved by Sri P.V.Srinivasachariar and seconded by Sri D.Narasimha Rrddi Garu were passed unanimously:-

Resolutions

1. That this meeting of the Bar Association expresses its deep dissatisfaction at the enromous delay in the shifting of the office of the Curator of Central Records ~~from Chittoor~~ at present housed in the best part of the premises of the Civil Courts in Chittoor, inspite of repeated representations and requests of the Bench and the Bar as well as of the Public of Chittoor, from Chittoor to Madras.

2. This Bar Association learns that the branch of this office which was hitherto located at Palamaner in a very spacious building, has been already shifted to Madras and the premises vacated. This Association requests the Government to shift the Record Office ~~in~~ now in Chittoor to Palamaner pending final arrangements for transfer back to Madras.

3. The Secretary of the Bar Association is authorised to communicate this resolution to the Hon'ble Sri T.S. Avanasilingam Chettiar, Minister of Education, Government of Madras, now at Chittoor camp.

P. V. Srinivasachari
(President of Meeting)
Vice President,
Bar Association
Chittoor
4.8.47

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EDN.& P.H.(C2).

Letter/Ref.No.44955-C2/47-6 Edn., dated 11-9-1947.

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To

✓ Sri C.R. Parthasarathy Iyengar, B.A., B.L.,
Advocate,
President,
The Bar Assn.,
Chittoor.

Sir,

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE - SHIFTING TO MADRAS.

With reference to your letter dated 4th August 1947 addressed to the Hon'ble Minister for Education on the subject, I am to state that the question of transferring the records of the M.R.O. from Chittoor to Madras is already engaging the attention of Govt. ~~But~~ It has not been found possible to vacate the offices located in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore, ~~as early as desired, for want~~ as alternative accommodation is not available ~~to provide~~ for them. As soon as these buildings are vacated the records will be removed from Chittoor to Madras.

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R.O.C.No.6943/47 D-4.

From

P. T. Raman Nayar Esquire, I.C.S.,
Registrar, High Court of Judicature, Madras.

To

The Deputy Secretary to Government,
Education Department, Fort St. George, Madras.

ASST. SECRETARY ... EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.
20 JAN 1948

Dated, 16th January 1948.

Sir,

Subject: Buildings - Madras Record Office - Occupation of - Portion in District Court Buildings -

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Ref: Letter No.41955-C-2-46 dated 2-9-46. P. 27 ante

P. 43 infra

I am to forward a copy of letter No.151-A/46 dated 28-11-1947 from the District Judge, Chittoor and to enquire whether it is feasible now to restore the portion occupied by Madras Record Office back to the District Court.

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REGISTRAR.

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Copy of letter No.151-A/46 dated 26-11-1947 from the District Judge, Chittoor to the Registrar, High Court of Judicature, Madras.

Ref: High Court's Endorsement R.O.C.No.4040/46 D-4 dated 6-9-46 communicating Copy of letter No.44955-C-2-46-3 dated 2-9-46 from the Deputy Secretary to Government Education and Public Health to the Hon'ble the Chief Justice.

p. 27 ante

I have the honour to invite a reference to the above and to request that Government may pleased be reminded in the matter.

A year and 2 months ~~px~~ have passed by since Government said that it was not feasible to shift the Madras Record Office back to Madras; they may be in a position to consider the subject now. The Sub-Judge and his staff are put to great inconvenience for want of proper accommodation.

I request that the High Court may be pleased to press the matter with the Government for very early action.

(True copy)

Sub Assistant Registrar,
Administrative Department.
17/1/48

(21) E.P.H. / C_2

Letter / Ref. No. 44955/46-13C_2.Edn., d., 25-2-48

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To

The Hon'ble the Chief Justice,
High Court, Madras.
(with enclosure)

~~Hon'ble~~ Sir,

Buildings — Chittoor Dt. — Sub-court building — Placing back at the disposal of the Dt. Judge, Chittoor. — Ref: Mr. P. T. Raman Nayar's letter R.O.C. No. 6943/47-D-4., dated, 16-1-48.

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~~In Continuation of Mr. Kaiwar's letter~~/~~Ref. No. 44955-C2-46, dated, 2-9-46, on the subject mentioned above~~, I am directed to say that it has not yet been possible ~~yet~~ to find suitable building

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buildings for accommodating the offices now occupying the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore as disclosed by the letter of the Collector of Madras No 2 A A/47 S 20-1-48 (copy enclosed) and hence ~~that~~ it is not feasible to shift the M.R.O. from Chittoor back to Madras for some time to come.

~~I have the honour to be etc.,~~

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Copy of letter No. 2/A.A/47 dated 20th January 1948 from the Collector of Madras, to the Deputy Secretary to Government, Public (General C) Department, Fort St. George, Madras.

Sub:- Buildings - Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1946 - Accommodation for the offices located in the Madras Record Office Buildings.

Ref:- Your reminder dated 8-1-48.

No suitable buildings have yet become available for allotment for any of the offices located in the Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore, at present. It is not possible for me to say when the building can be allotted for the use of the Record Office, as there is still a great scarcity of Buildings suitable for office purposes. They will be offered and allotted then and there as soon as buildings become available.

D. Padmanabhan,
Collector of Madras.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
1 MAY 1948
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH

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Government of Madras
Public(General-C)Department
Memorandum No.5713/46-12, dated the 30th April 1948.

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Buildings - Madras Buildings(Lease and Rent Control)Act, 1946 - Accommodation for offices located in the Madras Record Office buildings.

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Ref:- Correspondence resting with the Collector's letter No.2/A.A./47, dated the 20th January 1948.

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The Collector of Madras is requested to report whether it has been possible to secure alternative accommodation for the offices housed in the Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore and ~~thwe~~ whether there is any prospect of making these buildings available for the use of the Record Office in the near future.

K. Ramunni Menon,
Chief Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Madras.
Copy to Education & Public Health Department.

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Forwarded/By order.

10/4/48
Superintendent.

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× Submitted separately.

May be added to the main file. E. & P.H. Dept (G3)

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R.O.C.No.3315/48/D4.

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DY. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
MAY 1948
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

From

Sri R.Jayaram Ayyar, M.A., B.L.,
Official Referee and Vacation Officer,
High Court, Madras.

To

The Deputy Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort Saint George, Madras.

Dated the 6th day of May 1948.

Sir,

Buildings - Chittoor District - Sub Court Buildings - Occupation by the Madras Record Office~~r~~ - Shifting back to Madras.

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Reference:- Education and Public Health Department's letter No.44955/46-B-C2 dated 25-2-1948. — pp 45-46 ante

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I am to invite a reference to your letter cited and to request you to state now whether it is feasible to restore the portion occupied by the Madras Record Office back to the District Court. The District Judge reports that he is unable to find suitable accommodation for the newly created Additional District Munsif's Court, Chittoor sanctioned in G.O.No.1336 Home dated 12-4-1948 with effect from 28-5-1948 without putting up extra structures which will be unnecessary if the above portion

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can be restored to the District Court immediately.

J Jayaram

Official Referee and Vacation Officer.

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E.f. P.H. (G3)

Let / Ref. No. 44955 G3/46-18 Edn. d. 28-5-48.

To ✓ Hon. the C. J.

The ~~Official~~ Referee ~~and Vacation Officer~~,
High Court, Madras.

Hon. Sir,

Buildings – Chittoor Dt. – Sub-Court Buildings – Occupation by the M.R.O. – Shifting back to Madras.

Ref. ~~Your~~ letter, Roc. No. 3315/48/D4, dated 6-5-48

I am directed to state ~~that the~~ that the Collr. of Madras has not yet been able to find alternative accommodation for any of the offices located in the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore, Madras. The M.R.O. has therefore to remain at Chittoor for some time more and ~~hence the Sub-Court~~ it

Correspondence ending with Sri Jayaram Ayyar's

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~~buildings occupied~~ is not feasible at present to restore to the Dt. Court the Sub-Court buildings occupied by the Record Office.

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In the circumstances I am to ~~suggest~~ request that the High Court may consider the possibility of renting a suitable building for the new Addl. Dt. Munsif's Court, Chittoor.

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H.Ct. No. 4 (thick)—5,002—28-11-41.

R.O.C. No. 2376/49-D4.

From

K. N. Ganpati Esq., B.A., Bar-at-Law,
Registrar of the High Court of Judicature,
Madras.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Education and Public Health Department,
~~Home Department~~, Fort St. George, Madras.

(with enclosure)

Dated, Madras, the 28th March 1949.

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Sir,

Subject: Buildings - Civil - Chittoor District - Subordinate Judge's Court Buildings - occupation by the Madras Record Office - Shifting back to Madras.

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Ref:- Education and Public Health Department's letter No.44955 G-3/46-18 dated 28-5-48.

I am to forward a copy of letter No.93-A-49 dated 17-3-49 from the District Judge, Chittoor pointing out the urgent need for restoring the portions occupied by the Madras Record Office back to the Sub Court, Chittoor.

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Copy of letter No.93-A-49 dated 17th March 1949 from the District Judge, Chittoor, to the Registrar, High Court, Madras.

Sub:- Subordinate Judge's Court buildings - Chittoor - occupation by the Madras Record Office - shifting back to Madras.

Ref:- 1. High Court's ROC No.3315/48-D4 dated 30-6-1948 communicating letter No.44955-G-3/46 18 Edn. Public Health Department.

2. Para 5 of High Court's R.Dis.208/49 dated 11-2-49.

I invite a reference to the above and to request that Government may be reminded of the urgent need for restoring the Subordinate Judge's Court buildings, which is now occupied by the Madras Record Office, to the Subordinate Judge, Chittoor.

2. Hon'ble Mr. Justice P. Rajagopalan, who inspected the Court in December last, has remarked "Every one in the Judicial Department is cramped for space. The bar in particular has been deprived of its usual premises. Every effort should be made to secure at an early date the return of the Subordinate Judge's Court buildings". (Vide para 5 of the notes of inspection cited above. (True copy)

Sub-Assistant Registrar,
Administrative Department. 29.3.49

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Copy of letter No. 944-49 dated 17th March 1949 from the District Judge, Chittoor, to the Registrar, High Court, Madras.

Sub:- Subordinate Judge's Court buildings - Chittoor - occupation by the Madras Record Office - shifting back to Madras.

Ref:- 1. High Court's ROC No.2215/48-D4 dated 20-8-1948 communicating letter No.44955-G-2/46 13 Edn. Public Health Department.

2. Para 5 of High Court's R.Dis.208/49 dated 11-2-49.

I invite a reference to the above and to request that Government may be reminded of the urgent need for restoring the Subordinate Judge's Court buildings, which is now occupied by the Madras Record Office, to the Subordinate Judge, Chittoor.

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(True copy)

Sd.

T. R. Raghava Rao

Sub-Assistant Registrar,
Administrative Department.

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E.P.H (92)

Letter Ref No. 44955-46-92-24 Edn d/ 18-4-49.

To

~~The Regr. of the High court of Judicature~~ Hon'ble the Chief Justice
~~Madras.~~ High Court of Judicature

Hon'ble Sir,

Buildings - civil - Chittoor Dt. Subordinate Judge's court builgs. occupation by the M.R.O - Shifting back to Madras.

~~From the~~ Ref: your letter No. Roc. 2376/49-D4, d/ 28-3-1949.

With reference to ~~your~~ the Registrar's letter cited above, I am directed to state that the question of shifting ~~it~~

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The M.R.O., ~~back~~ to Madras is ~~under~~ under the active consideration of Govt. ~~and that the sub court buildings occupied by the M.R.O., at Chittoor will be vacated soon after a building is available for the accommodation of the Offices located in the M.R.O., buildings, Madras~~

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Yours faithfully,

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No.5716/46-20
Government of Madras
Public (General-C) Department
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Fort St. George, dated the 10th May 1949.

Office Memorandum

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
12 MAY 19
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Sub:- Buildings - Accommodation for offices occupying Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore.

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Ref:- Correspondence ending with his letter C.A.4/2/AA/46, dated the 24th January 1949.

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A copy of letter from the Registrar, High Court, Madras No.Roc.2376/49-D4, dated the 28th March 1949 is enclosed. The Collector of Madras is again requested to give the matter his personal attention and take vigorous steps to secure alternative accommodation for the offices now occupying Madras Record Office buildings, Egmore.

C.K. Vijayaraghavan,
Chief Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Madras.
Copy to Education and Public Health Department.
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Forwarded/By order.

A. A. Vaidi
Superintendent. 11/5/49

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From
Dr. B. S. Baliga, Ph. D. (Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Dept.,
Fort St. George, Madras.

No. 1664-A/49-1, dated 10th June 1949.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
JUN 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Sir,

Madras Record Office - Retransfer to Egmore - Proposals.

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I enclose herewith a copy of a communication which I have received today from the Public Department and which shows that it is proposed to locate the office of the Provincial Motor Transport Controller in the Madras Record Office buildings in the rooms now occupied by the Provincial Textile Commissioner. I need hardly say that this is a step which will prevent the records from being taken back to Madras within a reasonable time. During the last four years I have represented to the Government on several occasions the great inconvenience which is caused to the Government as well as this office by the continued retention of the records in the interior. So recently as November 1948 the Government, in reply to a representation made by the members of the staff of this office, stated that the question of the transfer of the Record Office from Chittoor to Madras was under active consideration. (Please see Government memorandum No. 76431-48/C3-1 Edn. dated 18-11-48) Again in March last the Honorable Minister for Firka Development Dr. S. Gurubatham, and the previous Secretary, Mr. M. V. Subramanian, inspected the Record Office buildings with a view to finding out the space actually required for the various offices occupying them and for transferring them to suitable buildings. Even last month I explained in the Annual Administration Report of this office the urgent necessity for removing the records back to Egmore.

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Vide Secy's note on p30 of

Separately being sent.

2. I am therefore sorry that it should now be proposed to locate a new office in the Record Office buildings. I may state in this connection

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connection that I understand that two new offices, viz., the Office of the Supervisor, Agriculture Labour Enquiry, and the Office of the Deputy Director of Enforcement, Southern Region, have been transferred to the Record Office buildings during the last month or two. If the office of the Provincial Textile Commissioner is being shifted elsewhere I beg to suggest that the rooms occupied by that office may kindly be kept vacant and that early steps may be taken to shift the office of the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, from the block which it now occupies to the Old Ordnance Clothing Factory building, which has already been allotted to that office and which, it is stated, has to be merely repaired before that office is shifted. If these two offices are shifted I can with some inconvenience and over-crowding transfer this office from Chittoor to Egmore, even though the Chief Conservator of Forests might continue to remain in the Record Office for some time longer until he is able to secure other accommodation.

Yours faithfully,

CURATOR,
10-6-1949.

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Copy of D.O.No.1509/49-3 from ~~the~~ Mr. A.E. Abraham Public (General-C) Department dated 8th June 1949 to Sri V.Hanumantha Rao, Provincial Motor Transport Controller Chepauk, Madras a copy of which has been communicated to the Assistant Curator, Madras Record Office, Egmore.

Buildings - Accommodation for the offices of Provincial Motor Transport Controller.

Ref:- Correspondence resting with your D.O.No.13697/49/C, dated 28th May 1949.

Will you kindly inspect the Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore and let me know whether the accommodation occupied by the Provincial Textile Commissioner will suit you for your office.

(sd) A. E. Abraham.

(True copy)

M Subramanian
Assistant Curator,
10-6-1949.

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Public (General-C) Department.

Memorandum No. 2150/49-1 dated 22-6-49

Buildings - Madras - M.R.O., Egmore - Accommodation.

The M.R.O. was shifted from its buildings in Egmore to Chittoor in 1942 consequent on the general evacuation of the City offices. The building is now occupied by a number of offices of which one is the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity Department. The question of bringing back the M.R.O. from Chittoor has been under ~~the~~ consideration of its Government from 1946 and the Government now consider it ~~imperatively~~ necessary to bring it back very urgently. In that connection the question of finding alternative accommodation ~~of the~~ for the offices now in M.R.O. buildings has to be considered ~~arises~~. The Chief Engineer for Electricity is requested to state whether the office of the Chief Construction Engineer cannot be shifted to the Old

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Ordnance clothing Factory buildings in Mount Road. In view of the acute shortage of accommodation available for Governmental purpose the Chief Engineer (Electricity) is requested to Consider this carefully ~~see that this is made possible.~~

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To the Chief Engineer
(Electricity).

R.D. 15 days.

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From the Curator, M.R.O.
No 1664-A-49-1 dated
10.6.49.

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Memo No. 44955-G2/46-26. Edn. d/27-6-49.

Madras Record Office.
Retransfer to Egmore —

The Curator is informed that the question of the retransfer of the Madras Record Office to Egmore is still under the consideration of Govt.

To
The Curator
M.R.O.

25.6.49

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No. 1644-A/49-2.

Madras Record Office,
Chittoor, 7th July, 1949.

From

Dr. B. S. Baliga, Ph. D. (Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
5797
8 JUL 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

Sir,

Sub:- Madras Record Office - Retransfer to Egmore.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No. 44955-G2/46-26 Education, dated 27th June 1949.

p 69 ante

With reference to the Government Memorandum referred to above and my conversation with you on the 4th instant I submit below a brief account of the inconvenience caused to the Government and this office by the prolonged retention of the Madras Record Office at Chittoor.

2. The records, it will be remembered, were transferred to Chittoor and Palmaner in March 1942 just before the general evacuation of the Government offices from Madras. The originals of all the G.Os and B.Ps. were housed in two buildings at Chittoor, viz., the Sub Court building and the Revenue Divisional Office building, and the old manuscript volumes of the East India Company's period were housed in one building at Palmaner, viz., the Public Works Department Inspection Bangalow. While the Inspection Bangalow was vacant and could be occupied by this office without causing much inconvenience to any one, the Sub Court building and the R.D.O building had to be vacated by the Sub Judge and the Revenue Divisional Officer of Chittoor. The Sub Judge's Court and office were accommodated in a portion of the District Court building situated in the same compound and the Revenue Divisional Officer shifted his office to a portion of the Collector's office. The buildings thus vacated were fitted up with racks at once. The bulk of the records was so large that almost every room in these two buildings had to be so fitted up. For the same reason the racks had, unlike in the Record Office at Egmore, to be fitted up very close to one another and the records had to be packed on them very closely even at the risk of inconvenience and delay in collecting the papers required. But as the space was still found insufficient, a verandah and a party shed were walled in and a new shed was put up. Even then the space was found to be insufficient with the result some of the members had to sit and do their work on the verandahs. The congestion increased still further as a result of the annual accessions and the transfer of the entire series of confidential records. Last year, when the East India Company's records were transferred from Palmaner to Madras, some of the less frequently consulted series of records at Chittoor were also transferred. But the congestion still persists and several members of the staff are even now forced to sit and work on the open verandahs in all weathers. The congestion has also made it impossible for this office to receive the records which are already due for transfer.

3. The inconvenience caused by the shortage of accommodation is not confined to the staff of this office. The Sub Judge and the Revenue Divisional Officer and their establishments are also experiencing it. Ever since the end of the war the several Sub Judges of Chittoor have been representing to me

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the inconvenience experienced by them for want of a proper court Hall and office accommodation and have been pressing me to vacate the Sub Court building. The lawyers of Chittoor have also been demanding the removal of the office from the building, firstly because the room in which the Sub Judge is now holding his court is very small and cramped for space and secondly because their bar room proper is situated in the Sub Court building. They have made several representations to the Honourable Ministers who have visited this place and even passed formal resolutions in the matter. The Revenue Divisional Officer is also waiting for this office to vacate his building. The inconvenience is therefore not confined to any one office.

4. Turning to the inconvenience caused to the Government, it is chiefly the delay in getting the records required by the Departments of the Secretariat, the Board of Revenue, the Chief Engineer, the Assistant Director of Survey, etc., for their day to day administration. When the records were in Madras these Departments had merely to send telephonic messages to the Record Office and the records required by them would reach them within a few hours. In cases of extreme urgency they could send special messengers and get the papers immediately. Now it is quite different. Requisitions for records have to be sent by post and even if they are posted promptly—which is by no means the case—the records reach the Department only on the third day. If there is any delay or mistake in sending the requisition the Department is put to considerable inconvenience. The speediest method of sending requisitions is that of sending them in the shape of telegraphic messages, but it has been found that the telegrams do not usually reach the office in time. All this means that the Departments are kept waiting for their records for two or three days even in cases of extreme urgency. We have tried to reduce this inconvenience as far as it is in our power by making special arrangements for attending to requisitions received in the shape of telegrams out of office hours and the urgent requisitions received on holidays and by sending the records through a special messenger every day in order to expedite their delivery at Madras. But these arrangements have not improved matters. Reminders and complaints of non-receipt of records in time are still received to the great dissatisfaction of the members of this office.

5. Apart from this administrative inconvenience there is the danger of the records themselves being damaged for want of proper housing. The Sub Court building and the Revenue Divisional Office building are not specially designed to be used as record offices except temporarily. There is a danger of white ants attacking the records kept in them. In the Sub Court building especially the white ants have appeared again and again in one place or another. Although fortunately they were till now always detected before they could do much damage, there is always a possibility of their appearing in some unnoticed corner and damaging the records. It is not possible to repair the floor and the walls of this building, as all the rooms are full of racks and almirahs and as it is impossible to shift them even temporarily elsewhere. The possibility of a fire breaking out and destroying the records cannot also be ruled out. Of course two watchmen are employed to guard the buildings during nights and out of office hours and adequate fire fighting equipment has been provided. But these arrangements can by no means be considered to be perfect. The only place where the records will be absolutely safe and where arrangements have specially been made for their proper protection and housing is the Record Office building at Egmore.

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6. Again the transfer of the records to Egmore will bring about a considerable reduction in the expenditure of this office. At present a large sum of money is spent every year over the employment of additional watchmen and sweepers and messengers for carrying records to Madras and railway freight and cooly charges. All this expenditure can be avoided if we go back to Madras.

7. I have not said much about the inconvenience caused to the staff, although I have indicated the additional work thrown upon them and the want of proper accommodation for them. Their inconvenience is however great and they have repeatedly been representing it to me. As recently as November last they put in a petition praying that the office might be transferred back to Madras expeditiously and this was forwarded by me to the Government. Their complaints were chiefly about the lack of facilities to do their work efficiently, the additional work thrown upon them by being asked to do turn duty on holidays frequently and the costliness of living at Chittoor and the want of educational and medical facilities. I have subsequently reduced the number of holidays on which turn work is done by them, but the other grievances remain. I have tried to transfer occasionally the individuals at Chittoor to Madras and vice versa, but this is felt as a great hardship by the individuals in Madras and it has occasionally led to very unpleasant consequences. The discontent of the staff, I am afraid, cannot be removed unless and until the office is transferred back to Madras.

8. The only difficulty in the way of effecting the transfer is the difficulty of finding other accommodation for the offices which now occupy the Record Office buildings at Egmore. At present the following offices are there.

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1. The office of the Provincial Textile Commissioner.
2. -do- Chief construction Engineer (Electricity)
3. -do- Chief Conservator of Forests,
4. -do- Deputy Commercial Tax Officer, Moore Market Division,
5. -do- Deputy Director of Enforcement, (Textiles).

Of these, No.1 is already going to be shifted shortly from the Record Office buildings. As soon as it is shifted, orders may be issued for fitting up with racks the block occupied by it. The proposal to bring in the office of the Provincial Motor Transport Controller in the space occupied by the Provincial

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Textile Commissioner may kindly be abandoned and that office provided accomodation elsewhere. No.2. has already been allotted space in the old Ordnance Clothing Factory buildings. The transfer of this office may therefore be expedited and, as soon as it is transferred, the block occupied by it may also be fitted up with racks. No.3.(Chief Conservator of Forests) may remain, if necessary, for the present in the Record Office buildings. Nos.4 and 5 are very small offices and it should not therefore be difficult to find other accommodation for them. If these suggestions are followed, I submit that the transfer of the Record Office back to Madras can be effected within a reasonable time.

Yours faithfully,

CURATOR,
7-7-1949.

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Electricity Department.

From
The Chief Engineer for Electricity,
Chepauk, Madras.

To
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Public (General-C) Department,
Madras.

30 JUN 1949
C.No 2312

No.95-H/49-32 dated 27th June 1949.

Sub: Buildings - Madras - Madras Record Office - Egmore - Accomodation.

Ref: Government Memo No.2150/49-1 dated 22.6.49.

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ff.67-68 ante

With reference to Government memorandum cited above, I have to state that the office of the Chief Construction Engineer can move into the Ordnance Clothing Factory Premises, only after the special repairs and improvements to the Buildings are completed.

Not received in Pub.

A revised estimate for the Improvements to the Ordnance clothing factory Premises has been forwarded to Government for sanction in my letter No.95-H/49-29 dated 11.6.49. Execution of the Improvements will be put on hand immediately on receipt of sanction to the estimate. Government sanction to the estimate may kindly be accorded urgently.

N. Venkataraman

For Chief Engineer for Electricity.

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Public (General-C) Department.

Please see the Chief Engineer's letter on p.1 ante. The ~~xxx~~ file containing the papers referred to at 'K' overleaf has been passed on to E.& P.H. with this department's U.O. No. 2150/49-2 dated 22-6-1949. ~~This may be passed on to that department may continuation. be requested to pu send the file to this department to dispose of this current.~~ This may await the return of the main file.

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No.1500/49-11
Government of Madras
Public (General-C) Department
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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
16 JUL 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Fort St.George, dated 15th July 1949.

Subd for perusal - (Public have not accepted the views of EPH on the subject) - May be added to the main file when it is received from the Public Dept.
16.7.49.

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Office Memorandum

Sub:- Buildings - The Old Engineering College Buildings, Chepauk and Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore - Allotment.

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Ref:- Memorandum No.1673/47-16, Public(General-C), dated the 24th February 1948.
Correspondence resting with the Board's Ref.R.2307/49-4, dated 9th May 1949.

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The Memo may be communicated to the Curator, M.R.O. The following endt. is for approval.

Endt. communicated to the Curator M.R.O.

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In the Memorandum cited above, the Government have ordered that additional accommodation for the Board of Revenue should be provided in the Old Engineering College Buildings, Chepauk by shifting the office of the Provincial Motor Transport Controller and his subordinate offices elsewhere. The question of providing additional accommodation for the Board has now become very urgent in view of its expansion. The Government have decided to abolish the post of the Provincial Textile Commission and to shift his office staff now in the Madras Record Office buildings to the office of the Director of Controlled Commodities located in a portion of the building "Bushkyrum", Mount Road, Madras. The Provincial Motor Transport Controller has stated that the accommodation now occupied by the Provincial Textile Commissioner and the Supervisor, Agricultural Labour Enquiry in Madras Record Office buildings will be sufficient for his offices in the Old Engineering College Buildings and that of the Madras Area Rationing Officer's Office.

May send the file to me when received
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2. The Collector of Madras is requested to secure immediately alternative accommodation for the Supervisor, Agricultural Labour Enquiry elsewhere and in any case by 1st August 1949. The accommodation in the Madras Record Office Buildings that will be vacated by the Provincial Textile Commissioner and the Supervisor, Agricultural Labour Enquiry is allotted to the Provincial Motor Transport Controller for his following offices:—

1. Provincial Motor Transport Controller;
2. Provincial Rationing Officer;
3. Central Road Traffic Board; and
4. Madras Area Rationing Officer

The Provincial Motor Transport Controller is requested to move the above offices to the Madras Record Office buildings immediately the portions referred to above become vacant.

(A.C.Appaswami Ayyar)
For Chief Secretary to Government

To the Provincial Motor Transport Controller.
To the Provincial Textile Commissioner.
To the Supervisor, Agricultural Labour Enquiry.
To the Collector of Madras.
To the Director of Controlled Commodities.
Copy to Home, Education & Public Health, Development and Public Works Department
Copy to Additional Chief Engineer, P.W.D.(Buildings)

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EDN.& P.H.(G2).

From the Curator, M.R.O., No. 1644-A-49-2 dt.7-7-49.

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MEMO. NO.44955-G2/46-28 EDN., DATED30-7-49.

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Despatch 30/7

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE - Accommodation.

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The Curator is informed that in view of the urgent need of the Board of Revenue for additional accommodation, the office of the P.M.T.C. has had to be moved from the old Engineering College Buildings and accommodated in the portion of the M.R.O. Buildings vacated by the Provl. Textile Commissioner.

2. As regards the other offices occupying portions of the Record Office Buildings, the Chief Construction Engineer has agreed to move into the Ordnance Clothing Factory Buildings, Mount Road, after some necessary repairs are carried out to the latter buildings. The portions whic will be vacated by that office will be made available

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to the M.R.O. so that racks can be fitted up and a portion of the records now in Chittoor can be moved to Madras thereby relieving congestion in Chittoor.

3. The Collr. of Madras will be addressed to find other accommodation for the Dy. Director of Enforcement (Textiles) and the Dy. Commercial Tax Officer, as early as possible.

4. The Curator is requested to report urgently whether he agrees to the above proposals.

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To

The Curator, M.R.O.
Chittoor

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No. 1644-A/49-3.

Madras Record Office,
Chittoor, 5th August, 1949.

From

Dr. B. S. Baliga, Ph.D. (Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
6 - AUG 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

Sir,

Sub:- Madras Record Office - Accommodation.

pp 77-80 cf

Ref:- Government Memorandum No. 44955-G2/46-28, Education, dated 30th July, 1949.

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p. 80 ante

In para 4 of the Government Memorandum referred to above I have been asked to report whether I agree to the proposals contained in the Memorandum. These are (1) that the portions which will be vacated by the Chief Construction Engineer are to be fitted up with racks and utilised for relieving congestion at Chittoor by transferring some of the records from Chittoor to Egmore and (2) that the portions to be vacated by the Deputy Director of Enforcement (Textiles) and the Deputy Commercial Tax Offices are, although it is not definitely stated so, also to be similarly utilised by this office. In regard to the portions to be vacated by the Chief Construction Engineer, I may be permitted to point out that it is more than eight months since he informed me that he would be moving into the Ordnance Clothing Factory Buildings as soon as repairs were carried out to that building. It is therefore difficult to say when he will be actually moving into those buildings. However, as soon as he vacates the Record Office buildings orders may be issued to the General Superintendent, Public Work Workshops, to re-erect the racks in the portion vacated by him. In regard to the room occupied by the Deputy Director of Enforcement (Textiles), that room is situated in the administrative block which has now been taken over by the Provincial Motor Transport Controller and has already been occupied by him. Only the room occupied by the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer will therefore be available for this office. But this is a small room and racks cannot be fitted up in it. It can be utilised only for relieving the congestion which now exists in the portions at Egmore under the occupation of this office. The menders who are now sitting inside one of the blocks with great inconvenience can be seated in this room. In fact it is the room in which they were previously sitting. Some of the almirahs and wooden racks which are now kept along the corridors etc. for want of space can also be kept in this room.

2. In regard to relieving congestion at Chittoor, it is not necessary to wait until the portion occupied by the Chief Construction Engineer is vacated. The record block opposite to the block occupied by him has already been fitted up with racks. As soon as they are painted they can be used for keeping records. I propose to send some of the old and less frequently required series of records from Chittoor to Egmore and to keep them on these racks. A few of the racks at Chittoor will also be dismantled and sent to Egmore and thereby adequate space will be created inside the rooms for the clerks who are now sitting on the verandahs for want of space inside. I shall submit detailed proposals in regard to these as soon a

the painting of the racks is taken up. As I have already indicated, congestion exists not only at Chittoor. There is a great deal of congestion at Egmore also. This congestion will also be relieved by moving some of the records into the racks mentioned above.

3. But these arrangements will not enable this office to shift its headquarters back to Madras. The bulk of records which will remain at Chittoor will still be too large to be accommodated in the space which is now available and which will be available when the Chief Construction Engineer moves out of the Record Office buildings. It is only if the portions now occupied by the Provincial Motor Transport Controller are vacated that this office can be shifted back to Madras. I therefore request that steps may kindly be taken to find other accommodation for his office as early as possible.

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Yours faithfully,

Baliga
CURATOR,
5-8-1949.

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"The Hindu" dated 25.8.49. Page 2.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Electricity Department

Office of the
Chief Construction Engineer,
Electricity

NOTIFICATION

Change of Address

The office of the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, has been shifted from Block No. 5, Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore and is functioning at

CHEPAUK
(Opposite to Madras Cricket Club)
from 22-8-1949

All correspondence intended to this office may please be sent to the above new address.

CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, ELECTRICITY.

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From
Dr. B. S. Baliga, Ph. D. (Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Dept.,
Fort St. George, Madras.

No. 1644-A/49-4, dated 16th August, 1949.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
17 AUG 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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Sub:- Buildings - Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore Block 5 - Vacating of.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No. 44955-G2/46-28 Edn. dated 30th July, 1949 and my letter No. 1644-A/49-3, dated 5th August, 1949.

pages 79-80 ante

pages 81-82 ante

The Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, Madras, whose Office is now located in Block 5 of the Madras Record Office buildings, Egmore, has informed me that his office will be shifted to Chepauk buildings before the 25th of this month. Therefore that block will become vacant in a few days. I have already suggested in my letter No. 1644-A/49-3, dated 5th August, 1949 that this block may be fitted up with racks as soon as it becomes vacant. I therefore, request that the General Superintendent, Public Work Workshops, Madras, may kindly be directed to take the necessary steps to fit up

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the block with racks immediately. I may point out in this connection that the P.W.D. authorities usually take several months for fitting up the racks and painting them. Special instructions may therefore kindly be issued to them to execute the work expeditiously.

Yours faithfully,

Baliga
CURATOR,
16-8-1949.

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16.8.49

E & P.H. (G2)

The main file has gone to Public (Genl.) with E & P.H. V DMO. 44955-G2-46-29 - dated 17.8.49. On its return, PWD may be addressed with matter. Pub (Genl) may see this letter now.

26.8.49.

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From
Dr. B. S. Baliga, Ph. D (Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health
Department, Fort St. George
MADRAS.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
26 AUG 1949
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

No. 1644 A/49-5 dated 25th August 1949.

Sir,

Sub:- Buildings - Madras Record Office at Egmore - Block-5 vacating of. — pages 79-80 ante

Ref:- Government Memorandum No. 44955-G2/46-28 Education dated 30th July 1949 and my letter No. 1644A/49-4 dated 16th August 1949. — pages 85-86 ante

pages 85-86 ante

In my letter referred to above I stated that ~~the~~ Block 5 of the Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore would be becoming vacant before the 25th of this month and suggested that instructions might be issued to the General Superintendent, Public Work, Workshops, to fit it up with racks immediately. I wrote so because the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, informed me that his office would be shifted to Chepauk buildings in the course of the month, very likely before the 25th. He also subsequently sent me a copy of his circular which he was issuing to the officers concerned and which showed that his office would be shifted to Chepauk Buildings with effect from 22nd August 1949. He however now informs me that, although his office has practically shifted to Chepauk with effect from that date, there is a proposal to locate other offices of his department in the block and that he will be sending me a further communication as soon as it is finally decided whether the block is to be handed over to me or not. Copies of his letters are enclosed. — pages 89-90 infra

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2. In paragraph 2 of their memorandum No. 44955-G2/46-28 Education dated 30th July 1949 the Government have stated that the portion which will be vacated by the Chief Engineer, Electricity, will be made available to this office, so that racks can be fitted up in it and a portion of the records now in Chittoor removed to it and the congestion at Chittoor relieved. If other offices are now located in the portion vacated by the Chief Construction Engineer, the object of ordering the shifting of his office from the Madras Record Office buildings will be defeated. The ultimate transfer of the records from Chittoor to Madras will also be delayed indefinitely. I therefore beg to request that instructions may kindly be issued to the Chief Construction Engineer not to locate any other office in Block 5 but to hand it over to this office without delay so that the erection of the racks can be taken up expeditiously.

Yours faithfully,

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CURATOR.
25-8-1949.

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Encl:- 3. 25.8.49

Copy to the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity,
Madras.

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Copy of letter No. S.3/PD.19/7152 dated 10-8-1949 from the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, Egmore, Madras to the Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor.

Sub:- Shifting of this office from Block No.5 - of Madras Record Office Buildings - Intimation of.

This office will be shifted to Chepauk Buildings in the course of this month very likely before 25th.

2. Actual date of shifting will be intimated in due course.

(Sd) x x x x
For Chief Construction Engineer, Electy.

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Copy of Circular No. S.3/PD.19/7381 dated 19-8-1949 from the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, Madras.

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Sub:- Office - Change of address - Intimation of.

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This office will be shifted to Chepauk Buildings with effect from 22-8-1949. All further correspondence intended for this Office which is likely to be received here on or after that date may be addressed to "Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, Chepauk, Madras."

(Sd) x x x x
For Chief Construction Engineer Electy.

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Copy of letter No. S.3/P.D.19/7467 dated 24-8-1949 from the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, Madras to the Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor.

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Sub:- Buildings - Block No.5 M.R.O. Buildings, Egmore,- Office of the C.C.E. - Vacating of.

Ref:- This office letter No. S.3/PD.19/7152 dated 10-8-1949.

In continuation of this office letter quoted above, I would state that this office has practically shifted from Block No.5, M.R.O. Buildings to Chepauk with effect from 22-8-1949. In this connection, I would also state that there is a proposal to locate other offices of this department in the block and I shall be sending a further communication to you shortly as soon as it is finally decided during the course of this week if the block is to be handed over to you or retained.

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(Sd) x x x x
For Chief Construction Engineer Electry.

(True Copies)

MSubramanian
ASSISTANT CURATOR.
25-8-1949.

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Public (General-~~A~~ C) Department.

Memo.No. 3004/49-2 Dated. 29-8-49.

Sub: Buildings - Accommodation for certain offices located in M.R.O. buildings, Egmore and release of portions to M.R.O.

Ref: Correspondence resting with the letter from the Chief Engineer for Electricity, No.95-H/49-32 D/27-6-49.

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It is understood that the office of the Chief Construction Engineer has been shifted from the M.R.O. Buildings, Egmore. The Govt. direct that the entire accommodation ~~released~~ occupied by this office in the M.R.O. building be given back to M.R.O. forthwith so that racks can be fitted up and a portion of the records now in Chittoor can be moved to Madras. ~~thereby relieving congestion in Chittoor.~~ No other office is permitted to move into the portions vacated by the Chief Construction Engineer

2. The Collr. of Madras is requested to secure suitable alternative accommodation for the office of the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer now located in a portion in M.R.O. Buildings, Egmore. When the Dy.Commercial Tax Officer vacates, the accommodation released by that office will also be made available to M.R.O.

25.8.49

Despatch all except M.R.O.
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To the Chief Engineer for Electricity.
To the Collr. of Madras.
To the Curator, M.R.O. Chittoor.
Copy to E.&.P.H. and P.W. Deptts.
(s/c 1).

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
66583
31 AUG 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

NO. 3004/49-2
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
PUBLIC (GENERAL-C) DEPARTMENT
Dated the 29th August 1949.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

Sub:- Buildings - Accommodation for certain offices located in Madras Record Office buildings, Egmore and release of portions to Madras Record Office.

Ref:- Correspondence resting with the letter from the Chief Engineer for Electricity, No. 95-H/49-32 Dated 27-6-1949.

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It is understood that the office of the Chief Construction Engineer has been shifted from the Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore. The Government direct that the entire accommodation occupied by this office in the Madras Record Office building be given back to Madras Record Office forthwith so that racks can be fitted up and a portion of the records now in Chittoor can be moved to Madras. No other office is permitted to move into the portions vacated by the Chief Construction Engineer.

2. The Collector of Madras is requested to secure suitable alternative accommodation for the office of the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer now located in a portion in Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore. When the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer vacates, the accommodation released by that office will also be made available to Madras Record Office.

K.RAMUNNI MENON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

To
The Chief Engineer (Electricity)
The Collector of Madras.
" Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor.
Copy to Education & Public Health Department.
" Public Works Department.

Forwarded/ By Order/

A. A. Vaidya
DVK. 29/8. Superintendent. 29/8/49

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT

From
The Chief Construction
Engineer, Electricity,
Chepauk, MADRAS.

To
The Curator,
Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.
67746
SEP 1949

No.S.3/PD.19/7736 d/ 1-9-1949.

Sir,

Sub: Buildings - Block No.5 - Madras Record Office Buildings - Egmore, handing over - regarding - intimated.

pages 87-88 y Ref: Your letter No.1644 A/49-5 dated 25-8-49.

With reference to the above I would state that it has since been decided to hand over to you the Block No.5 Madras Record Office Buildings together with the 3 garages used by this office. The building will be handed over to the Assistant in charge, Madras Record Office Buildings on 2-9-49 F.N.

S.R.Krishnamurthy,
~~for~~ CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
ELECTRICITY.

Copy to the Assistant in charge, Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore. Necessary arrangements may kindly be made to take over the block and the garages from this office to-morrow at about 12 Noon.

Copy to the Chief Operation Engineer(North) with reference to his telephonic conversation with the Dy.Chief Constn. Engineer, Elecy. on 31-8-49 for information.

Copy to the Chief Engineer, Electricity for favour of information.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department for favour of information with reference to letter No.1644 A/49-5 dated 25-8-49 from the Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor. p 87-88 y

Copy to the Executive Engineer, General, Thambu Chetty Street, for necessary action regarding the installation etc.

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Arunachalam 1/9/49
for Chief Construction Engineer,
Electricity.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
9 - SEP 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

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ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT.

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From
The Chief Construction
Engineer, Electricity,
Chepauk, Madras.

To
The Curator,
Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

No.S3/PD.19/ 7837 Dated: 5-9-49.

Sir,

Sub: Buildings - Block No. 5, M.R.O. Buildings and 3 garages - occupied by this office - Handed over to the Assistant-in-charge, M.R.O. Buildings, Egmore- Intimation of.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
7 SEP 1949
C.No 3209
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

Ref: This office letter No. S3/PD.19/ 7736 dated 1.9.49.

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In continuation of this office letter quoted above, I have to state that the Block No. 5, Madras Record Office Buildings with 3 garages and fixtures has been handed over to the Assistant-In-charge, Madras Record Office Buildings on 2.9.49. A copy of handing over report is enclosed for information.

Enclosure not recd. 7/9

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for CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER,
ELECTRICITY.

KMM:VA:STR: 5.9.

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Encl: 1 copy of handing over report.

Copy to the Executive Engineer (General) Thambu Chetty Street, Madras with a copy of handing over report for information and necessary action regarding electrical fittings.

Encl: 1 copy of Handing over report.

✓Copy to the Secretary to Government, Public (General-C) Department with reference to their memo No. 3004/49-2 dated 29-8-49 for favour of information.

S file 57784

Copy to the Chief Operation Engineer (North) with reference to his letter No. 95-H/49-43 dated 1st September '49.

Copy to Chief Engineer (Electricity) for favour of information.

Copy to the Assistant in charge, Madras Record Office Buildings, Egmore, Madras for information.

Pub (Genl-C) dept
no. 3209/49-1
8-9-49

Public (General) a dept.

E & P. H., U.O. in continuation of this dept.'s U.O. No. 3004/49-2 of 30-8-49.

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From
Dr. B. S. Baliga, Ph.D. (Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Dept.,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

No. 1644-A/49-6, dated 10th September, 1949.

Sir,

Sub:- Buildings - Madras Record Office Buildings at Egmore - Block 5 - Vacating of.

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Ref:- My letter No. 1644-A/49-4, dated 16-8-1949. pp 85-86 C.F.

In continuation of my letter cited above I have to inform the Government that Block 5 of the Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore has since been vacated and that it was handed over to this office on 2-9-1949. I, therefore, request that the General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops, Madras, may kindly be directed to take the necessary steps to fit up that block with racks urgently, as already suggested by me. p86 ante

Yours faithfully,

B S Baliga
CURATOR,
10-9-1949.

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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH **DEPARTMENT.**

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
5 NOV 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

Received ....19 . *Registered*..................19 .

Subject.

Records - Transfer of some of the older series from Chittoor to Madras - Proposed.

ENCLOSURES.
No.
Spare copies

No. 549-A/48-20.

Station Chittoor., *Dated the* 3rd November 1949.

From (Name) Dr. B.S. Baliga, Ph.D. (Lond.),

(Designation) Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Education & Public Health Department.
Fort St. George, Madras.

Sir,

pp 81-82 ante

In para 2 of my letter No. 1644-A/49-3, dated 5-8-1949 sent in reply to Government Memorandum No. 44955. G2/46-28, dated 30-7-1948, I stated that, as soon as the painting of the racks in Block 6 was taken up, I would submit proposals for transferring some of the old and less frequently required series of records and some racks from Chittoor to Egmore. The painting of the racks was taken up on 15-10-49 and is likely to be finished by the end of December. I therefore now beg to submit proposals for transferring the records and the racks. After careful consideration I find that about 20 lorry loads of records which are not frequently required for reference may safely be transferred to Egmore. The transfer of these records will relieve the congestion at Chittoor and enable me to take in the 1945 records which are stated to be now lying on the floor in the Central Record Branch for want of accommodation. I am also thinking of having about 15 racks dismantled and sent to Egmore in order that accommodation may be provided inside the rooms for the assistants, clerks, attenders, etc. at Chittoor who are now sitting on the verandahs for want of accommodation inside. These racks may require about 5 lorries. Thus on the whole about 25 lorries will be required.

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2. In regard to the lorry charges, I called for quotations from three motor transport firms in Chittoor, but received a reply only from one of them. This firm, viz., The Chittoor Motor Transport Company Ltd., have offered to hire their lorries at the rate of Rs.90/- for a lorry capable of carrying 3 tons. Compared to the rates paid on former occasions this rate is reasonable. The lorries are stated to be either petrol-driven or diesel-driven. There is therefore no danger of fire. They are also covered by tarpaulins and therefore there is no danger of the records being damaged by rain. For the sake of greater safety an attender of this office will also accompany each lorry. I submit that the offer of the Chittoor Motor Transport Company Ltd. may be accepted and that twenty five lorries may be employed at the rate of Rs.90/- per lorry per trip.

3. An estimate of the charges involved in the proposal is given below:

1.	25 lorries at the rate of Rs.90 per lorry.	Rs.	2250	0	0
2.	Cost of dismantling 15 racks at the rate of Rs.4 per rack.		60	0	0
3.	Cooly charges for loading and unloading the lorries and for rearranging the records at Chittoor and at Egmore.		300	0	0
4.	Travelling allowances of 25 attenders for accompanying the lorries.		112	8	0
			2722	8	0

or in round figures Rs. 2725/-

4. I request that sanction may kindly be accorded for transferring the records and racks and for incurring the expenditure mentioned above. No provision has been made in the budget estimate of this office for this expenditure. I shall therefore ask for the additional allotment that may be necessary in due course. I may point out that, as the records and the racks in question have to be transferred to Egmore at some time or other, the amount that may be now spent cannot ~~to~~ be regarded as unnecessary or avoidable expenditure.

Yours faithfully,

M. Khalija
CURATOR,
4.-11-1949.

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C.No: 44955/46.

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M.R.O. - Removal of certain records and racks to Block No: 6, M RO, Buildings, Egmore - Expenditure - Sanctioned -

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~~From the Curator, M.R.O., Chittoor~~

No: 1644-A/49-3 d 5-~~6-49~~.

From the Curator, M.R.O., Chittoor

No: 579-A/49-20 d 3-11-49.

~~Memo~~ No: 44955/46-33 Q2 dt. 23/11/49

The proposals contained in the Curator's letter cited above are approved. The Curator, ~~M.R.O~~ is authorised to incur an expenditure not exceeding Rs 2725/- (Rupees two thousand, seven hundred and twenty five only) in connection with the transfer of ~~certain~~ old and less frequently required records and racks from the M.R.O, Chittoor to the Central Record Office, Egmore.

Re

2 The expenditure should be debited to the budget head "25 F - General Administration - M - Madras Record Office - Contingencies" -

3 The AG is requested to admit the expenditure in audit pending the allotment of necessary funds.

4 The Curator, M R O is requested to apply for the necessary additional allotment in due course.

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8.11.49.

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To
The Curator,
M.R.O., Chittoor.
The A.G. through Finance
(with a copy of the Curator's letter)

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
7 JAN 1950
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

No.549-A/48-23.

Madras Record Office,
Chittoor, 6th January 1950.

From

Dr.B.S.Baliga, Ph.D. (Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
CHITTOOR.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

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Sir,

Sub:- Madras Record Office - Removal of certain records and racks to Block No.6, Madras Record Office, Buildings, Egmore - Expenditure sanctioned.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No.44955/46-3 G2, Education, dated 23rd November 1949.

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In their Memorandum referred to above the Government have approved my proposal to employ the lorries of Messrs The Chittoor Motor Transport Company Ltd., Chittoor, to transport certain records and racks from Chittoor to Egmore. The transport work has not yet been taken on hand as the work of painting the racks has not yet been completed by the Public Works Department. In the meantime I have received Government Memorandum No.266 Development dated 14-12-1949 in which all Heads of Departments have been asked to encourage, as far as possible

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ex-service men's motor Transport Societies by entrusting their transport work to them subject to the condition that there is no Government vehicle for doing the work and that the rates charged by the societies compare favourably with the local rates. As, however, the transport of the records and racks has to be taken up very shortly in order to provide space at Chittoor for the Government records of 1945, which are stated to be now lying on the floor in the Central Record Branch, and as there is no ex-service men's society in Chittoor and as the Government have already approved my proposal to employ the lorries of Messrs The Chittoor Motor Transport Company, I propose, in anticipation of the approval of the Government, to employ the latter on the present occasion.

Yours faithfully,

B.S.Baliga

CURATOR,
6-1-1950.

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From
Dr. B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

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

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVT.
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EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

No. 358-A/50-1, dated 27th February 1950.

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Sir,

Sub:- Records - Transfer from Chittoor to Egmore - Proposals.

When Hon'ble the Minister for Finance came to Chittoor last week it was represented to him by the District Magistrate, the Subordinate Judge and some of the members of the Bar that the continued occupation of the Revenue Divisional Office building and the Sub-Court building by this office is causing them a great deal of inconvenience. Upon this Hon'ble the Minister promised to look into the matter and visited the main office in the Sub-Court building on 24th February 1950. I took him round the office, described the work done by the office, showed him the large bulk of records still remaining here in spite of the recent transfer of some records to Madras and explained to him the difficulties experienced by this office and the Secretariat by the retention of the

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office still in Chittoor. I also pointed out that the only thing that stood in the way of effecting the transfer of the office back to Madras was the occupation of portions of the Record Office at Egmore by the Offices of the Provincial Motor Transport Controller and the Chief Conservator of Forests. I suggested that, if at least the Provincial Motor Transport Controller's office is shifted elsewhere, it would be possible to effect the transfer of the records.

2. In this connection I invite the attention of the Government to paragraph 3 of my letter No.1644-A/49-3, dated 5th August 1949, wherein I have made the same suggestion. It would be very advantageous both for the Government and for this office, if this suggestion is acted upon as early as possible.

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Yours faithfully,

Mahaliga
CURATOR.
27-2-1950.

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R.O.C.No.2360/50 D.4. F (59)

From

Sri K.N.Ganpati, B.A., Bar-at-law,
Registrar, High Court of Judicature,
Madras.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY
14 MAR 1950
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.
(with enclosure)

DATED 11th March 1950.

Sir,

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Subject: BUILDINGS - Civil - Chittoor District - Subordinate Judge's Court buildings - Occupation by the Madras Record Office - Shifting back to Madras.

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Reference: Education and Public Health Department's letter No.44955-46 G2.24 Edn. dated 18-4-1949. — p 57-60 ante

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p 111 infra

I am to forward a copy of letter No.171/A/50 dated 6-3-1950 from the District Judge, Chittoor pointing out the urgent need for restoring the portion occupied by the Madras Record Office ~~back~~ to the Sub Court, Chittoor.

Ganpati
REGISTRAR.

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Copy of the letter No.171-A/50 dated 6-3-1950 from the District Judge, Chittoor to the Registrar, High Court, Madras.

...

Subject: BUILDINGS - Civil - Chittoor District - Subordinate Judge's Court Buildings - Occupation by the Madras Record Office - Shifting back to Madras.

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Reference: High Court's ROC No.2376/49-D4, dated 29-4-1949.

I forward herewith a copy of the letter of the Subordinate Judge, Chittoor dated 1-3-1950 on the above subject and to state that in view of the proposals for the appointment of an additional Subordinate Judge's Court, Chittoor from the date of the re-opening of the Court after summer recess, it is absolutely necessary that the Subordinate Judge's Court building should be given back to the judicial department.

2. I request that the High Court may be pleased to press the matter with the Government for very early action.

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Copy of Subordinate Judge's letter dated 1-3-1950 to the District Judge, Chittoor.

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Subject: Sub Court Buildings occupied by the Madras Record - Office - Restoration of - Requested.

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Reference: This Court's letters Dis.Nos.1858 dated 27--11--1947 and 717 dated 3-6-48, and Government's reference No.44955-G3 (Education) dated 28-5-1948.

By personal experience and observation for the last 8 months I have found that the following defects and inconveniences of a serious nature exist in the matter of the use as at present of the northern wing of the District Court building for the Sub Court.

(1) The hall can take in 4 chairs on each side of the bar table and one bench with back, on either side with sufficient moving space. That means its seating accommodation will be only 16, and with difficulty, 20. In that arrangement no room will be left for the dock of the accused and the jury box. During Sessions trials, place for the accused has to be found by the window side in front of the Bench. Litigants who are expected to be present at the time of the hearing of their cases do not have accommodation inside the court hall. They have necessarily got to crowd by the only doorway to the court hall and on the verandahs.

(2) The Sherishtadar and his assistant have to use a portion of the verandah lying on the way from the chambers to the Court hall. The clerks' room has no adequate provision of light or air.

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(3) The chambers is ill-ventilated and also has several almirahs of the District Court in it.

(4) The urinal is in the verandah. Several library almirahs have got to be kept in the open verandah. All those have to be so arranged for want of room anywhere else.

(5) With the abnormal increase of work in this Court there has been necessarily a large increase in the number of persons that have to attend to their work in this Court. Most of them have got to be standing all the time somewhere in the verandahs. It becomes difficult to keep order in that state of affairs.

(6) I may also add that the need for more space will arise when an additional Sub Court has to function.

I request you to be good enough to address the Government again that arrangements may be made for the Madras Record Office to vacate this Court's building and to make it available for the use of this Court, at least with the reopening of the Courts after the forthcoming summer recess.

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/True copy/

T. H. Raghavan
SUB ASSISTANT ~~REGISTRAR~~, 13.3.50.
Administrative Department.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY
27 MAR 1950
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

From
Dr.B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

No.549-A/48-29, dated 24th March 1950.

Sir,

Sub:- Madras Record Office - Certain records and racks - removal to Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore - Completion - Report.

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Ref:- Government Memorandum No.44955/46-3. G2. Edn., dated 23rd November 1949.

The transfer of records and racks from Chittoor to Egmore sanctioned in the Government Memorandum cited above was completed by the 15th of last month. Twenty lorries were found to be sufficient. The expenditure incurred was as follows:

1) Lorry charges ...		Rs.1785	0	0
2) Cooly charges for loading and unloading lorries ...	...	347	0	0
3) Charges for dismantling record racks	...	77	0	0
4) Travelling Allowance of the members of the staff who accompanied the records and racks on the lorries from Chittoor		105	9	0
Total		Rs.2314	9	0

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It will be seen from the above particulars that the cooly charges exceeded a little over the estimate of Rs.300/-. There was also a slight increase of Rs.17/- over the estimate for dismantling the racks. This was necessitated by the dismantling and re-erection of some racks so as to provide more accommodation for taking in the 1945 records. The total expenditure, however, has not exceeded the amount sanctioned in the Government Memorandum cited above. The entire expenditure was met by reallocation of funds from other heads. There was, therefore, no need to apply for additional funds.

Yours faithfully,

B S Baliga
CURATOR.
26-3-1950.

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The main file on the subject has gone to Home & Pub (Genl) on 15.3.50 - Its return will be awaited till E.4.is & then this will be filed

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From
Dr.B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education Department,
Fort St. George.

No. 358-A/50-2, dated 18th April 1950.

Sir,

Sub:- Records - Transfer from Chittoor to Egmore - Proposals.

Ref:- My letter No. 358-A/50-1, dated 27th February 1950.

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In my letter referred to above I explained that when Hon'ble the Minister for Finance visited Chittoor in February last representations were made to him by the District Magistrate, the Subordinate Judge and some members of the bar about the inconvenience caused to them by the continued retention of the Madras Record Office at Chittoor, and that Hon'ble the Minister promised to look into the matter. I also explained how the presence of some of the City Offices in the Record Office buildings at Egmore was the sole thing which stood in the way of effecting the transfer of the records back to Madras and I suggested that steps might be taken to remove these offices to other buildings. No orders have yet been passed by the Government upon my letter.

2. In the meantime I beg to bring to the notice of the Government that in the beginning of this month when Hon'ble S.Panchapakesa Sastri, Judge of the Madras High Court, visited Chittoor, the President of the Bar Association addressed him in the presence of a large gathering, consisting chiefly of lawyers, and spoke at length about the inconvenience caused to the lawyers by the continued retention of the Madras Record Office in the Sub Court buildings. Upon this the Hon'ble Judge stated that as soon as he returned to Madras he would speak to the Chief Justice and the Registrar about the matter. As I was present at this meeting I found it necessary to say a few words in order to explain the difficulties experienced by this office and the Government by the retention of the records at Chittoor. I also said that so far as the members of my staff were concerned they were extremely desirous of shifting the records to Madras and that they were not at all anxious to remain at Chittoor or to cause inconvenience to any one.

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3. From all this it will be seen that it is undesirable that there should be any further delay in shifting this office back to Madras. I have already explained in my previous letters how it is necessary to shift the office of the Provincial Motor Transport Controller from the Record Office buildings before this office can be shifted back to Madras. I understand that the large building in Mount Road which was formerly Bosotto's Hotel is now vacant and that it can accommodate some large offices. I, therefore, beg to request that the Provincial Motor Transport Controller's Office may kindly be shifted to that building. If for any reason it is not possible to shift his entire office I suggest that at least a part of his office be shifted to that or some other building and the administrative block of the Record Office handed back to me. If even this is not possible I suggest that the office of the Chief Conservator of Forests may be shifted to the Bosotto's building or any other building. I shall then manage to shift the records to Madras and carry on somehow until the other portions are vacated. In view of the unpleasant situation in which this office finds itself here I earnestly beg that the Government may kindly see their way to accepting the concrete suggestions made by me above and to passing early orders in the matter.

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4. In paragraph 2 of the Public (General-C) Department Office Memorandum No.3004/49-2 dated 29-8-1949 the Collector of Madras was asked to secure suitable alternative accommodation for the office of the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer now located in the Record Office buildings. No other accommodation has ~~not~~ however been found for that office till now with the result that it is still continuing to occupy the Record Office buildings. It is a very small office consisting of only 9 persons in all and it should not be difficult to find a small house or building suitable for its accommodation. I am addressing the Accommodation Controller, Madras, and requesting him to take action upon paragraph 2 of the Government Memorandum as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Baliga
CURATOR.
19-4-1950.

Ry 18.4.50.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY
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11 MAY 1950
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

From
Dr.B.S.Baliga, Ph.D. (Lond.)
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

No.358-A/50-3, dated 9th May 1950.

Sir,

Sub:- Records - Transfer from Chittoor to Egmore - Proposals.

pp115 - 116 ante

Ref:- My letter No.358-A/50-2, dated 18-4-1950.

p116 ante

p119 infra

As stated in paragraph 4 of my letter referred to above, I addressed the Accommodation Controller, Madras, and requested him to find other accommodation for the Office of the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer, Moore Market Division. A copy of his reply is enclosed. It will be seen from it that two buildings were actually offered to the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer and that he did not respond to the offer. It will also be seen that the Accommodation Controller considers that no suitable building is at present available and that if any building falls vacant it will be intimated to the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer and

and allotted to him in order of priority. As the matter is urgent and as it has been pending for a long time, I request that he may kindly be ordered to allot the first suitable building to the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer. Instructions may also kindly be issued to the latter to accept the building that may be offered to him by the Accommodation Controller.

Yours faithfully,

CURATOR,
10-5-1950.

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10.5.50

Copy of letter No.CA4/48/AA/50, dated 27-4-1950, from the Accommodation Controller, Madras, to the Curator, Madras Record Office, Egmore, Madras.

Sub:- Buildings - Madras Buildings - (Lease and Rent Control) - Act 1949 - Accommodation - Provision of for Deputy Commercial Tax Office.

Ref:- Your letter No.1644-A/49-12, dated 18-4-1950.

No.2/115, Vellala Street, Purasawalakm (Rs.200/ P.M.) and No.53, Gangadeeswarar Koil Street, Vepery (Rs.300/- P.M.) have been offered to the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer and he was asked to inspect the premises and send his consent if he was willing. No consent was received from him in respect of these two premises.

At present no suitable building~~s~~ is available for allottment to the officer of the Deputy Commercial Tax Office, as there is an

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acute scarcity of buildings in the city. If any suitable building falls vacant it will be intimated to the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer as usual and allotment will be made in order of priority.

(sd) M. Venkatappa
Accommodation Controller.

/By Order/

(sd) P. Nagalingam
29-4-50.
Accommodation Dy. Tahsildar.

/True copy/

M S Subramanian
ASSISTANT CURATOR,
10-5-50.

CPS.
10-5-50

Memorandum No.2329/50-2 Dated 2-7-1950

Buildings - Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1949 - Premises Nos.177-179 Mount Road - Allotment Ordered-

Ref. Correspondence resting with Accom. Controller's letter C22/24 09/50 d/26/5/50.
From the Secy. M.P.S.C. No.6346 D/49-? d/ 28/6/50.

The Accommodation Controller, Madras is requested to allot immediately the buildings Nos.177-179 Mount Road as follows:-

Portions	Offices to be allotted.
1. Ground Floor, first floor and 3 garages now vacant.	Public Service Commission, Madras.
2. Second floor and third floor	Chief Conservator of Forests.

The fixtures and fittings in the respective portions should be listed and handed over to the offices concerned and acknowledgements obtained.

2. The Accommodation Controller is requested to apportion in consultation with the Ex-Engineer concerned the rent of the buildings between the two offices and intimate to them urgently.

3. The Chief Conservator of Forests should move into the portions allotted to him immediately. Orders regarding the allotment of the portion now occupied by him in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore will be issued separately.

(True copy)

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Pp 115-116 C

From the Curator, M.R.O, Chittoor,
No 358-A/50-2 d 18.4.50.
Records - Transfer from Chittoor to Egmore.

Despatched
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11/7/50

Memo No 44955 F/46-40 D/11 7/50.

The attention of the Curator, M.R.O. Chittoor is invited to the orders issued in the Public (general) Deptt Memo No 2329/50-2 d 2.7.1950 and he is informed that the portion of the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore to be vacated by the office of the C.C. F ~~edit~~

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(It is ascertained from public that the Memo has been communicated to the Curator MRO)

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~~should be taken over forthwith for the use of his office~~ occupied urgently as early as possible by the Madras Record office. The Curator is requested to take necessary steps ~~for~~ to shifting ~~a portion of~~ the records from Chittoor to ~~the premises here~~ Madras at a very early date.

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To Despatch
11.7.50

The Curator
M.R.O Chittoor
" C.C.E.
" Accommodation Controller Madras
" Public (Genl) Dept
" P.W.D.
Copy to C.E.P.W.D (Bldgs)

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ROC.No.2360/50-D4.

From
Sri K.N. Ganpati, B.A.,Bar-at-Law,
Registrar, High Court, Madras.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education & Public Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.
(with enclosure.)

Dated, Madras, the 12th July 1950.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY
15 JUL 1950
19817
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Sir,

SUB: Buildings - Civil - Chittoor District - Subordinate Judge's Court buildings - Occupation by the Madras Record Office - Shifting back to Madras.

REF: Correspondence ending with High Court ROC.2360/50-D4, dated 13-3-50.
p.109 ante

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pp127-128 infra

I am to forward a copy of letter No.171 A/50 dated 8th July 1950 from the District Judge, Chittoor, pointing out the difficulty in securing a rented private building and the urgent need for restoring the portion now occupied by the Madras Record Office to the Sub-Court, Chittoor.

K.N. Ganpati
REGISTRAR.

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Copy of letter No.171 A/50 dated 8th July 1950 from the District Judge, Chittoor to the Registrar, High Court, Madras.

SUB: Buildings - Civil - Chittoor district - Subordinate Judge's Court buildings - Occupied by the Madras Record Office - Shifting back to Madras.

REF: 1. This ~~xx~~Court's letters Nos.171-A/50 dated 6-3-50, and 19-4-1950.

(Not put up) 2. G.O.No.2624 Home dated 7-6-50 .

The Government have sanctioned in the above G.O. an additional Subordinate Judge for the Sub Court, Chittoor, with effect from 1-9-1950 and have permitted the renting of a private building for the use of the Additional Court pending the shifting of the Madras Record Office from the Sub Court buildings.

2. The Chittoor Bar have sent a letter urging that Government may be requested to have the Record Office moved from the Sub Court building as early as possible on the ground that the location of the Additional Judge's Court outside the District Court premises will cause great hardship and inconvenience to the lawyers and to the parties. There is no accommodation available for the location of the Additional Sub Court in the District Court building even temporarily, as the right wing of the District Court building has been occupied by the Sub Court and its establishment, while in its left wing rooms the Copyist and Nazarat establishments have been squeezed in. Further, when an Additional District Munsif's Court was sanctioned last year, one of the ryots' sheds, intended for the use of parties had to be converted into a Court Hall and Munsif's chambers for want of accommodation. An Additional District Munsif's Court is now functioning in this building. Records and various other articles being common between the Sub Judge and Additional Sub Judge and only a few senior lawyers practising

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in the District and Sub Courts, much inconvenience and delay are likely to be caused to the District and Sub Courts as well as to the lawyers and parties, if the Additional Sub Judge holds his Court at a distance from the District Court building. No suitable buildings are available on rent near the District Court building.

In these circumstances, I request that the High Court may be pleased to address Government once again for the urgent shifting of the Madras Record Office from the Sub Court building before 1-9-1950 when the Additional Sub Court is expected to start functioning.

(True copy)

H. Raghunath Rao
Sub Assistant Registrar,
Administrative Department.
18/7

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Special

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From
Dr.B.S.Baliga, Ph.D.(Lond.),
Curator, Madras Record Office,
Chittoor.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

No. 358-A/50-6, dated 15th July 1950.

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18 JUL 1950
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Sir,

Sub:- Records - Transfer from Chittoor to Egmore.

Ref:- Government Memorandum No.44955.F/46-40 dated 11th July 1950.

p. 123-124 ante

I have issued instructions to the Office Assistant-in-charge of the Egmore branch of this office to take charge of Block 7 of the Record Office buildings as soon as the Chief Conservator of Forests vacates that block. Before, however, the records can be transferred from Chittoor to Egmore it is necessary to erect about 65 racks in Block 7 in addition to about 50 empty racks which are already available in the Egmore office. Fortunately the racks which were brought from Palmaner numbering about 65 are now available at Egmore and these can be fitted up urgently. I submit that the work of fitting up these racks may be entrusted to private fitters instead of the Public Works Department. Experience has shown that the Public Works Workshops take a long time to execute works like these. For example, they have not yet begun erecting the racks in Block 5 which were ordered to be erected in G.O.No. 524, Public Works, dated 11th February 1950 in spite of reminders. Moreover, their charges are generally much higher than the charges of private agencies. As the work does not require much technical experience and as similar work has been done very satisfactorily at Chittoor by local workmen there is no harm in entrusting the work to private agency. I have obtained estimates from five firms and persons in Madras and I find that the lowest quotation for fitting up a rack is Rs.7/-. This rate is very reasonable.

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2. Turning to the transport of the records from Chittoor to Egmore, I invited tenders from three of the motor transport companies at Chittoor. One of them replied that they had no petrol or diesel driven lorries. Another did not reply at all. The third, the Chittoor Motor Transport Company, Ltd., have quoted a rate of Rs.90/- per lorry per trip. This is the rate at which they supplied about 20 lorries in February last for transferring some records from Chittoor to Egmore. This rate was approved by the Government in Memorandum No.44955/46-3-G.2. Edn., dated 23rd November 1949. I, therefore, submit that this rate of Rs.90/- per lorry per trip may be accepted. It is estimated that about 90 lorry trips will be required to transport all the records and racks and furniture from Chittoor.

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3. Side by side with the transport of the records, the dismantling of the racks upon which they are kept will also have to be carried out. There are 104 racks to be dismantled on the whole. The dismantling can be done by local workmen at Rs.3/- per rack.

4. An estimate, therefore, of the expenditure that will have to be incurred in connection with the transfer is furnished below:

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(1) Charges for fitting up 65 racks in the Egmore office at the rate of Rs.7/- per rack ...	...	455 0 0
(2) Lorry charges for 90 lorries at Rs.90/- per lorry ...	...	8100 0 0
(3) Charges for dismantling 104 racks at Chittoor at Rs.3/- per rack ...	...	312 0 0
(4) Cooly charges for loading and unloading lorries and for arranging the records (A large amount of rearrangement of records will also be necessary)	...	1500 0 0
(5) Travelling expenses of the officers and staff on transfer from Chittoor to Madras	...	3000 0 0
(6) Unforeseen items ...	...	100 0 0
		13467 0 0 or
	roundly	13500 0 0

Sanction may kindly be accorded for the above expenditure of Rs.13,500/-. No provision has been made for this expenditure in the budget estimate of this office for the current year. I shall, therefore, apply for the additional funds required in due course. I may point out in this connection that there will be a saving of about Rs.2,700/- in the expenditure of this office in the current year when the office is shifted back to Madras.

5. The Sub Judge, Chittoor, is very anxious that the records should be removed from the Sub Court buildings as soon as possible and that the building should be returned to him urgently so that the additional Sub Judge's Court which has been sanctioned for Chittoor may be opened without delay. Moreover the transfer of the records has to be effected before the rains set in. I, therefore, request that orders may kindly be passed by the Government on this letter at a very early date by at least the first week of August, so as to enable me to complete the transfer by the middle of September.

Vide also Dt. Judge's letter on H.127-128 ante.

6. As suggested by the Chief Secretary, I have addressed him and requested him kindly to issue instructions to the Accommodation Controller and the Public Works Department authorities to assist the officers and staff of this office in securing residential accommodation in Madras. Without such assistance they are not likely to get accommodation in Madras and many of them may be forced to go on leave at the time of transfer to the detriment of the work of transfer and arrangement of large masses of records.

Yours faithfully,

K.B. Kaliga
CURATOR.
15-7-1950.

Fny 15.7.50.

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H.129-130 cf From the Curator, M.R.O. Chittoor.
No. 358-A/50-6 d 15.7.1950.
Records - Transfer from Chittoor to Egmore.

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Memo No. 44955F/46-42 Edn D/25 I/50

H.129-130 cf

The proposals contained in the letter of the Curator, M.R.O. cited above are approved.

2/ The Curator is authorised to incur an expenditure not exceeding Rs 13,500/ (Rupees thirteen thousands and five hundred only) in connection with the transfer of the records and racks from the Madras Record Office, Chittoor to the Central Record Office, Egmore.

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3/ The expenditure should be debited to the budget head "25 j - General Administration ~~A~~ D-Madras Record Office - Office contingencies" - Other Charges.

~~4. The A.G. is requested to admit the expenditure in audit pending the allotment of the necessary funds.~~

This para is not being added in recent cases.
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21/7/50

4 ~~5~~ The Curator, M.R.O is requested to apply for the necessary additional allotment in due course.

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19/7/50

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19.7.50.

To
The Curator /
M.R.O.
Chittoor
" A.G (through Finance)
(with a copy of the curator's paras 1-4/ letter)
only H.129-130 cf.

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25.7.50

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From the Registrar, High Court, Madras
Roc. No. 2360/50- Dy d 12.7.50
~~M.R.O.~~
Buildings - Chittoor Dt. - Subordinate Judge's Court buildings - Occupation by the ~~R~~ M.R.O. - Shifting back to Madras

Memo No. 44955 F/46-43 d/25 1/50.

The Registrar, High Court, Madras is informed that arrangements will be made very soon for ~~are being made for very soon~~ the transfer of ~~the Curator M.R.O. for shifting~~ the records from the Sub court buildings, Chittoor to the Central Record Office, Egmore.

Dy
19/7/50

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To
The Registrar,
High Court,
Madras ✓
Copy to the Curator,
M.R.O.
Chittoor

SPECIAL

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Public Works Department

Memorandum No. 4129 G/50-1 dated 28th July 1950

Sub: Buildings - Government - Madras - Staff of Madras Record Office in Chittoor - Return to Madras - Allotment of residential accommodation.

Ref: From the Curator M.R.O. Chittoor No.358A/50-5 dated 11-7-1950.

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The Government have sanctioned the shifting of the records now at Chittoor to Madras. The Curator Madras Record Office Chittoor ~~to~~ expects ~~is~~ to complete the transfer by about the middle of September. He has furnished a list (copy enclosed) showing the names of the members of his office who require residential accommodation in Madras ~~ssx~~ soon as the transfer is effected, and the rent they are prepared to pay. As they will be transferred in a body along with the office and as the services of all of them will be essentially required in Madras to arrange promptly and properly the large masses of records transferred, the Curator requests that Government should allot them accommodation giving them priority. It has been suggested that the only practical way of accommodating the staff mentioned in items 5 to 43 of the enclosed list would be to permit them to occupy as a temporary measure, the out houses to public offices etc. which may be available or which may fall vacant. The Chief Engineer, P.W.D.(Buildings) is requested to offer his remarks on this suggestion with definite proposals.

2. The persons referred to in items 3 and 4 of the enclosed list - viz. Sri S.Jayasankaran and Sri M.Natesan, Office Assistants - are eligible to occupy 'B' class quarters at Todhunternagar on the basis of the pay drawn by them. The Executive Engineer, South Presidency Division is requested to allot to them 'B' Class quarters at Todhunternagar when vacancies arise, by giving them top most priority.

N.S.Quraishi,
Addl.Deputy Secretary to Govt.

To
The Chief Engineer, P.W.D.(Buildings) with enclosures.
The Executive Engineer, Chepauk, Madras)
Copy to
The Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor
✓The Education Department.

Forwarded / By Order

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No.5716/46-30.
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC(GENERAL-C)DEPARTMENT.

Fort St.George dated 5th August 1950.

MEMORANDUM

Sub: BUILDINGS - Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1949 - Dr.B.S.Baliga, Curator and Sri M.C.Subramanian, Assistant Curator - Accommodation - Special Priority.

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The Accommodation Controller is requested to secure suitable accommodation to the following officers giving them special priority in the matter of allotment of buildings under the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control)Act, 1949:-

1. Dr.B.S.Baliga, Curator, Madras Record Office. Pay Rs.700/-p.m. rent prepared to pay Rs.75 to 100/-p.m.
2. Sri M.C.Subramanian, Assistant Curator, Pay Rs.300/-p.m. rent prepared to pay Rs.30 to 40/-p.m.

2. The Curator, Madras Record Office is requested to make a formal application to the ~~Act~~ Accommodation Controller immediately for accommodation for himself and his Assistant furnishing necessary details as to the accommodation required, locality etc.,

3. In respect of accommodation for the other staff, the attention of the Curator is invited to Memorandum No.4129C/50-1, P.W., dated 28-7-1950.

K.Ramunni Menon,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To the Accommodation Controller, Madras.
To the Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor.
To the Education and Public Works Departments.

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C.No. 22806 from the Regr, High Court Madras, C.No. 1596/D.
9-9-46

Buildings – Chittoor Dt. – Sub Court – building Chittoor at present occupied by the Collector's office – Request to place it back at the disposal of the Dt. Judge, Chittoor.

The Sub Court buildings at Chittoor have been in the occupation of the Collector's office since March 1942 and the Sub Court is now being held in the northern wing of the Dt. Court Buildings. It is stated that the work in the Sub Court is steadily increasing and that the Sub Court buildings are required back to locate the Court and the establishments in the original ~~buildings~~. It is understood ~~that~~ then

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Question of shifting the office of the M.R.O. back to Madras was recently considered (in the Public Dept.) and dropped. The Public Dept. might be requested to put up the relevant papers on the subject ~~with their remarks~~

It is desirable to shift the M.R.O. to Madras as early as possible
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The question of bringing back the M.R.O. ~~back~~ to Madras was considered in 1945, when it was decided not to do so, as the M.R.O. buildings in Madras were required for other purposes. Please see A on pp. 18-19 n/f of S.F. 36/45 flag (d). The file may be returned to E & P.H.

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pp 18-19 n/f S.F. No 36/1945 (d)

The Sub-Court Buildings at Chittoor and the P.W.D. Inspection Bungalow at Palmaner are in the occupation of the M.R.O. since March 1942. In 1943, the question of bringing back the records to Madras was considered and it was decided that the M.R.O. should continue to remain at Chittoor and Palmaner. The question was again considered in 1945 but it was decided that the M.R.O. could not be allowed to bring its records back to Madras since its buildings were wanted for other purposes.

pp 2+4 of c.f.

2. Please see the letter from the Registrar, High Court, Madras, in the c.f. The Sub-Court Buildings at Chittoor are now required by the District Judge, Chittoor, for relieving the existing congestion in the courts and the location of the additional Sub-Court ~~rpx~~ proposed to be created owing to the increase of work.

The Offices mentioned below are now occupying the Record Office Buildings at Madras:-

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(1) Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests,
(2) Office of the Provincial Textile Commissioner,
(3) Office of the Inspector of Ml. Cls. and Local Bds.,
(4) Office of the Ex. Engineer, Civil Hydraulic Dn.,
(5) Office of the GL Supdt., Power Dev.,
and (6) Office of the Director of Town Planning.

D.S's note in p. 2 ante

3. In the interests of administration, it is ~~seems~~ desirable to shift the M.R.O. back to Madras as early as possible. This can be done only when the Offices mentioned above vacate the Record Office buildings at Egmore ~~blocks occupied by them~~ and find other accommodation in the City.

The Departments of the Secretariat concerned, viz., ~~(i.e.)~~ Development, L.A. and P.W.D., may be asked to say whether ~~any~~ action is being taken by them to shift the offices with which they are concerned from M.R.O. buildings at Egmore to ~~some~~ other bldgs. If there are no such proposals in those Depts., the Collector of Madras may be addressed by E.P.H. for finding accommodation elsewhere for shifting the above mentioned offices. The case may be sent to Public Dev. L.A. and P.W.D. u.p. ~~for~~ remarks.

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Public Dept.

Please see the note of E.&P.H. Dept. on p. 3 ante. No remarks were called for in ~~Public~~ this Section, except that ~~in view of para 2 of the note overleaf~~, it ~~seems~~ would be desirable to bring back the M.R.O. from Chittoor. The file may be passed on to Dept.

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It ~~is~~ desirable that the M.R.O. should be back in Madras but with the present congestion in the City, it is extremely doubtful if it can ~~do~~ come back in the near future. The Collr. may be addressed, but until this point is settled, the M.R.O. may be kept in Chittoor, some other building there being utilized if necessary in case the Sub-Court buildings are urgently required.

23/5/46 Addl C.S.

The Collr. may be addressed as some of the buildings now occupied by the office of the Acctt. Genl. will shortly (I believe) be vacated. The refce to the Collr. may be from this department.

23/5/46

Of the eight buildings occupied by the A.G. in Kilpauk
four were originally leased from the owners. The Collector of Madras has
reported in another file that the Central P.W.D. has released these
buildings to the owners. The remaining four buildings were
requisitioned. The A.G. is now occupying ~~the~~ three of these
buildings and will continue to occupy them till he gets back
all his buildings in the Fort St. George. The Military have

have been addressed in the matter. There is only one building 'Kingston' available and its release to the owners have been suggested in another file. ~~The~~ A draft Memo. to the Collector is submitted for approval.

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After issue the file may be sent to E&P.H. w.r.t. para 2 in previous note on p 4 ante.

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We don't want to move all these offices out of the M.R.O. buildings now. It appears better if the M.R.O. itself is ~~found another building~~ somewhere in Madras temporarily. This would save a lot of packing up & shifting & inconvenience for all the offices concerned. Later on when the situation improves, the M.R.O. may be able to go back to its old buildings.

The Collector will of course have to consult the Curator & find out whether the building would suit the M.R.O.

If E&P.H. agrees the Collector may be asked on the above lines.

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Education & P.H. (C2) Dept.

With reference to the suggestions made by the Dy. Secy. Public Dept. above, it is submitted that shifting of the M.R.O. from Chittoor and Palmaner to some other building in Madras temporarily is not so easy as the shifting of the small offices which are now in the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore. Iron racks have to be dismantled, transported to Madras and refitted. This process will have to be repeated if the M.R.O. is brought back and housed in another bldg. in Madras temporarily and then shifted to its own buildings. It may therefore be suggested that the Collector be asked to find some suitable building or buildings for shifting the small offices mentioned at p.3 ante out of the M.R.O. bldgs. at

I agree

Egmore. For orders.

The file may be returned to Public Dept.

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Public (General) B Dept.

Please see E & P.H. note above. For orders whether the draft Stn. below may issue. After issue the file may be sent to E & P.H. w.r.t. Z on p 4 ante.

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E. & P.H.Dept.(C2)

With reference to 'Z' on page 4 ante, it is submitted that the Sub Court Buildings at Chittoor will be required urgently by the High ~~District~~ Court only if an additional Sub Court is sanctioned at Chittoor. Till then the M.R.O. need not vacate the Sub Court buildings. The Collector's reply to the memo. on pages 5-6 c.f. may be awaited before further action is taken.

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2. Meanwhile, the Registrar, High Court, Madras, may ~~perhaps~~ be informed that steps ~~arrangements~~ are being taken ~~made~~ to bring the M.R.O. back to Madras as early as possible, but that it is not an easy matter, and that we are not in a position to set a date for it.

3. A draft letter is submitted for approval. Home Department may see before issue.

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Home Dept.

Draft letter to the High Court below may be perused. E & P.H. Dept. may be requested to address the letter to the Hon. the C.J. (there is no proposal under consideration for an addl. sub court at Chittoor). The [illegible] may be returned to E & P.H.

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As suggested by the Home Dept. at p 6 ante, the letter ~~has been~~ is addressed to the Hon'ble the Chief Justice ~~Judge~~. Necessary addition has also been made in the draft with ref. to the Dy. Secy's remarks at 'A' on p 6 ante. The draft may issue. ~~after approval~~ After issue, the file may be returned to Public

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Public (General - C) Dept.

Submitted for perusal. The Collr's reply to the Memo. on pp 5-6 c.f. may be awaited. R.D. 10.6.46

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p. 6 c.f.

p. 9 c.f.

(From the Collector of Madras, No. A.7.4116/46 dated 10-6-46)

Please see Collector's letter on p. 9 c.f.
The building referred to is a leased one and it is old and unsuitable for occupation. It may be released. Draft submitted for approval.

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(Issued as Or. No. 1948/46-5 dated 12-6-46) p. 11 c.f.

From the Collector of Madras, No. A.7.4116/46 d/18-6-46) p. 13 c.f.

Please see Collector's letter on p. 13 c.f.
The Collector states that there is no building

that can be suggested as an alternative accommodation for the offices now occupying the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore.

The Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards and the D.T.P. has, however, been allotted the first floor in the Old High Court buildings.

With this information the file may be returned to E.&P.H.

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The M.R.O. will have to wait for some more time when the position may become easier. Collr. can be asked again in a month's time.

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Public (General) Dept.

Submitted for perusal (R.D. 22-7-46).

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A draft Ref. (Reminder) to the Collector of Madras is submitted.

M 24/7/46

~~D~~ 23/7/46

ay 25/7/46

The letter from the Collr. of Madras on p 19 c.f. is submitted for perusal. E & P.H. may see.

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We will have to wait some more time. Once the Accommodation & Rent Control Bill (?) is passed, the position will be easier.

M 8/8/46

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Please see the Curator's D.O. and letter and the E.P.H. note on pp. 21-24 c.f. It has not been possible to find alternative accommodation for the Offices now occupying the M.R.O. Buildings, Egmore. In the circumstances it is not possible to shift the Madras Record Office to Madras from Chittoor. The Govt. are proposing to enact the Madras Buildings (Accommodation and Rent Control) Act. This is proposed to take effect from 1st October 1946. When the Act comes into ~~current~~ force, it may be easier to find accommodation for the offices now in M.R.O. With the above remarks the file may be returned to E. & P.H. who may give a suitable reply to the Curator.

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C Re quarters in Govt. House Compound & the Bodyguard lines for the staff – E & P.H. may consult P.W.D. who are dealing with the subject. It is doubtful though if such quarters are available.

M 23/8/46

E & P.H. Dept.

Please see the Curator's letters at pp 21-24 c.f. ~~and~~ the notes above. A draft memo and a draft letter to the High Court ~~are~~ submitted. After issue, the file may be sent to P.W.D with refce to C above.

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p24 c.f.

The file has been sent to this dept in regard to the question of allotting the servants quarters in the Govt House Estate at Mount Road to the attenders and peons employed in the M.R.O. when it moves fr. Chittoor to Madras. As all the buildings in the Govt House have not yet been handed over and as it will take some time to provide alternative accommodation at Guindy for H.E's staff, it is too soon to consider the question raised by Public D.S at p11 above. The matter will however, be kept in view when deciding finally as to how the buildings should be used.

With the above remarks, the file may be returned to E&P.H.

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A D.O. reply may be sent to the curator, M.R.O. with reference to his D.O. at pp. 21-22 C.F. The draft below is for approval. After issue, the file may be sent to the Public Dept.

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The D.O. has been issued. The file may be sent to the Public Dept.

Please see p. 29 C.F.

X for addressing the Collr after the Rent Control Act comes into force

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E.&P.H. U.O. No. 44955-6 C2.
20-9-46.

Public (General) C Department.

Submitted for perusal. The M.R.O. buildings at Egmore will be vacated when alternative accommodation is found for the ~~xxxx~~ offices now occupying them. These offices have

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A have been included in the list of accommodation required by the Govt. offices. It is proposed to discuss the question shortly with the Collector of Madras. L.O. till 5-10-1946.

24/9/46.

X (This was discussed already with the Collr. The A.C.S. of the Collector will be sending up general proposals shortly.)

26/9/46

The list referred to at A above has been ~~from~~ forwarded to the Collector of Madras for disposal under Sec. 3 of the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1946. General instructions to the departments concerned for making formal application to the Collector of Madras have been communicated to them. No further action seems called for at present. The file may be returned to E.&P.H.

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E.&P.H.(C2).

Please see the Public Department's note on pp. 12-13 above. The file may lie over till ~~alternative accommodation is found for the offices now occupying the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore~~ 1.11.46 pending receipt of the Collr's proposals.

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The Pub. (Genl.) Dept. may be requested to say whether the proposals from the collector of Madras referred to at X ~~in their notes~~ on page 13 ante have been received, and, if so, when the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore are likely to be vacated by the several offices now occupying ~~it~~ them at present

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Public (General) C Department.

E.&P.H. W.o. No. 44955-1 C2. 25-11-46.

With reference to B in the E.P.H. notes aboe, referênce is solicited to Memos. at (M) and (N). It does not appear that the Collector has procured accommodation for any of the offices now located in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore. The Collecter may perhaps be consulted. Subject to approval a draft Memo. is submitted. After issue the file may be returned to E.&P.H.

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Please see the note of the Public Dept. above and the copy of their Memo., at page 31 c.7., to the collector of Madras. ~~The collector's reply may be awaited till 4-1-47.~~ Pub may be reminded again on 4.1.47.

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With ref. to the minutes of HM (Col.) in the top file Re: the bringing back of the Record Office to Madras, the case ~~as proposed for~~ transferred to Pub (Genl) for taking necessary action. That

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may lie over till ~~2~~ 15.2.47. ~~and Pub may then be reminded about the stage in which the matter stands.~~

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Public (Genl) may be requested to state when the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore are likely to be vacated by the several offices occupying it at present and handed over to the Curator, M.R.O.

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31 MAR 1947
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Public (General) C Dept.

Please see the E&P.H. dept.'s note above. This department has last seen the file on p. 14 ante. The Collr. does not seem to have secured accommodation as yet for any of the offices located in the M.R.O. buildings. He was reminded by a ~~D.O.~~ once and ~~his reply is awaited. He~~ has again been reminded today.

Owing to acute congestion of the large no. of other offices without any accommodation at all, the Collector is finding it difficult to house these offices

With this information the file may be returned to E&P.H.

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9/4/47 E&P.H.

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10 MAR 1947
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

E&PH (C2)

Please see the note of the Pub. dept. above. ~~and~~ That dept. may be reminded again on 20.5.47.

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

Secretary, E.& P.H.

Please see herewith a letter from Mr. K. Varadachari, M.L.A. We have already moved in the matter of bringing the Govt. Record Office from Chittoor to Madras. I would like to know at what stage the matter is.

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18-4-47

H.M. Education.

E & PH (C2)

Please see the minutes of HM (Edn) above and the note of the Pub (Gl) dept on p.15 ~~above~~ ante. The collr. is not able to secure accommodation for any of the offices located in the M.R.O buildings at Egmore. The question of bringing back ~~[illegible]~~ of the Record Office from Chittoor ~~[illegible]~~ to Madras ~~can be done~~ will arise only after the other offices located at the M.R.O buildings, Egmore are shifted to some other suitable place.

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~~With these~~ remarks, The file may be circulated to H.M (Edn).

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SECRETARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
9 MAY 1947
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

The Pub (Gl) Dept may be requested to say whether the proposals from the collr. of Madras referred to at 'x' on p13 ante have been received and if so when the M.R.O buildings at Egmore are likely to be vacated by the several offices now occupying them at present. and handed over to ~~the curator~~

RC RRO.
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Public Genl C Department

Please see notes on p. 16 ante. This dept saw the file last at p. 15 ante. The Collr has been reminded by d.o. on 9/5/47 and his reply is awaited. Presumably the Collr is not able to secure accommodation yet for the offices now located in the M.R.O ~~B~~ bldgs. No proposals have been received from the Collr with respect to X ant p. 13 ante. With these remarks the file may be returned to E&P.H.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The note of the Pub (Gl) above may be perused. That dept may be reminded again on 10.7.47 if necessary

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Pub (Gl) Dept may be requested to say whether the collr. of Madras has found accommodation for the offices now located in ~~at~~ the M.R.O buildings at Egmore and whether he has sent the proposals referred to at 'x' on p13 ante ~~have been received~~ ~~so that the M.R.O buildings at Egmore may be handed over to the curator~~

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44955 C2/45-10 Edn
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Public (General) Dept.

Please see E&P.H. note above. The Collector of Madras in his letter dated 10-6-47 has stated that it has not been possible for him to secure

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any accommodation ~~till then~~ for any of the offices located in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore and that it is not possible for him to say when the buildings can be returned for use of the M.R.O. The scarcity of accommodation still continues to be acute and there has not been much appreciable improvement in the matter of securing accommodation under Sec. 3 of the Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1946 particularly for office accommodation. With this information the file may be returned to E.A.P.H.

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E & P H (C2)

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~~on p 17-18 above [illegible]~~

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C No 64203 C2/47 - From Sri C. R. Parthasarathy Iyengar, Advocate, Chittoor L. d/ 4. 8. 47 p 35 c.f.

Please see the note of the Pub (Gl) Dept on p 17-18 above and also the letter from Sri C. R. Parthasarathy Iyengar, ~~Advocate~~, Chittoor on p 35 c.f. ~~In the circumstances,~~ Sri C.R. Parthasarathy Iyengar may be informed that the matter is already engaging Govt's attention. A draft letter is submitted.

Pub (Gl) Dept may be reminded again on 1.10.47 if necessary in the matter

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Opinion [illegible] present [illegible] difficulty in this case.

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Revised draft letter is submitted for appl.

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p. 39 c.7. Issued as letter Ref. No. 44955-C2/47-6 Edn., d., 11-9-47.

p. 41 c.7. d. No. 4227 C2. From the Registrar, High Court of Judicature, Madras, R.O.C. No. 6943/47. D-4., d., 16-1-48.

Please see the letter from the Registrar, High Court of Judicature, Madras, on page 41 c.7., forwarding a copy of the letter from the Dt. Judge, Chittoor. Attention is in this connection invited to the letter from the Collector of Madras on page 15 c.7. in the L.7. below in the matter. ~~A copy of his letter may be forwarded to the Registrar. A draft letter is submitted for approval.~~ In the circumstances stated therein, the Hon'ble the Chief Justice, ~~High Court, Madras~~, may be informed that it is not possible yet to find suitable buildings for accommodating the offices now occupying the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore and hence that it is not ~~yet~~ feasible for some time to come to shift the M.R.O. from Chittoor back to Madras. A draft letter is submitted for approval. Pub (Gl) may see before issue.

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(of Pub (Gen) Dept)

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Public (General) C Dept.

E & P.H. note on p. 19 ante and the draft letter below may be perused and the file returned to E & P.H.

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The draft letter may now issue.

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[Issued as Letter/Reg No. 44955/46-13 C2 Edn D/25.2.48] pp. 45

It is now more than three months since the Collr of Madras reported that no suitable buildings were available for allotment to the offices now located in the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore. The Public (Gl) may ~~now~~ be consulted w.o. regarding the stage at which the matter stands at present. Vide p. 47 C

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Public (General) C Dept.

This department ~~last saw~~ the file on pp. 17-18 ante. ~~There~~ It is submitted that since there is no ~~change~~ improvement in the matter of securing accommodation for use of offices, it has not been possible as yet to ~~get~~ secure accommodation for the offices now located in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore. The Collector of Madras is being reminded separately.

The file may be returned to E & P.H.

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E & P.H. Dept. (G3)

Please see the Public Dept. note at page 20 ~~the~~ ante ~~previous page~~. This may lie over till 1-6-48. When the Public Dept. may be reminded, if necessary. ~~on that date.~~

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From the Official Referee and Vacation Officer, High Court, Madras, Roc. No. 3315/48/D4, dated 6-5-48. pp. 51-52 C

Please see the letter at pages 51-52 C. In his letter dated 6-5-48, the Collr of Madras has reported that no suitable buildings are yet available for allotment for any of the offices located in the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore. In the circumstances, the Official Referee and Vacation Officer may be informed that it is not ~~fea~~ feasible to restore at present the portion occupied by the M.R.O. Chittoor to the Dt. Court. A draft letter is submd for approval. Public (Gl) and Home may see before issue.

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Public (General) C Dept.

E & P.H. note above and the draft letter below may be perused and the file passed on to Home.

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U.O. No. 2005A/48-1, dt. 18/5/48.
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Home Dept.

(This Dept's previous note on ante)

This case has been sent to this Dept. with reference to A above. The draft letter below may be perused and

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the case passed on to the E & P. H. Dept. That Dept. may be requested to address the letter to the Hon. the C. J. incorporating the altrations & indicated in pencil and also let P. W. D. and Fin. see the case with reference to X on pp 51-52 cf.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 38187 24 MAY 1948 EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

E. & P. H. Dept (G3)

Please see the ~~Home Dept.~~ note of Public (Genl) on page 21 ante and the note above. The ~~corrections~~ alterations to the draft below indicated by ~~that Dept~~ in the Home draft letter may be approved. The case may be sent to P. W. D. and Finance with reference to 'X' on pp. 51-52 cf. ~~before issue~~.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT G 3875 26 MAY 1948 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

P.W.D.

The file may be perused & passed on to Fin. In the face of the present position it may be left to the H.C. to come up to Govt for sanctioning proposals for extra structures with refs to 'x' on pp 51-52 cf

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Fin. (Exp-C).

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 40036 27 MAY 1948 Exp.c FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Please see the letter from the High Court on pp 51-52 c.f. and the notes from p. 21 above. In the circumstances, in order to accommodate the newly created addl. Dt. Munsif's Court, Chittoor, the High court will have to rent a suitable building if possible, or come up with proposals for putting up ~~extra~~ temporary structures. The draft below may perhaps be amplified accordingly.

cf X on p. 51 cf.

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It would be sufficient to add a sentence asking the High Court to consider the possibility of renting a suitable building for the new Court. If this is not feasible the H.C. will no doubt propose the erection of temporary structures (X. on p. 57. C.F.)

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 39303 27 MAY 1948 EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

E&P.H. (G3)

Please see the P. W. D. note on page 22 ante and the Finance note above. With reference to Finance Secy's. remarks ~~ante~~ above, a sentence has been added to the draft letter below. The draft may now issue as amplified. Home may see again before issue.

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E. P. H. Dept (G3)

~~Public (General) Dept. may be requested to say at what stage the matter is now~~

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The High Court has been requested to consider the possibility of renting a suitable building for the Addl. D.M's Court at Chittoor. In view of the Collr's letter (copy at (F)) there is no near prospect of getting the M.R.O. buildings at Madras vacated. This may therefore lie over till 1.9.48

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Pub (General) Dept may be requested to say whether they have received any report from the Collector regarding the provision of alternative accomodation for the offices now located in the MRO buildings, Egmore.

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ADDL. ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
8 SEP 1948
No 3432
CHIEF SECRETARIAT

Public (General-C) Dept.

The Collector of Madras ~~xxxxxxx~~ has stated in his letter dated 17-7-1948 that it is not possible for him to state when a suitable building can be allotted to offices located in the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore as there is still a great scarcety of buildings suitable for office purposes. Buildings that became available in the localities applied for, were offered and they have not given their consent in respect of anyone of them so far. Apparently they were not found suitable. He has also stated that steps are, however, being taken to provide alternative accommodation for them when ~~as~~ suitable buildings become available they will be offered and allotted to them.

The file may be returned to E. & P.H.

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Pub (Genl C) Dept
No. 3432/48-1
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~~It may be seen whether the MRO buildings will become available after, say, 2 months. The case may lie over till 1.12.48.~~

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The note requires [illegible] received today

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVT.
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Chief Secretary.

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Arrangements may be made urgently to transfer the Madras Record Office now at Chittoor to Madras.

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15.9.1948.

CHIEF SECRETARY
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15 SEP 1948
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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Pub (Genl. B)
No. 3661/48-1
16.9.48

EPH (G3)

Please see the Public Dept's note on the previous page

The Collr. of Madras may be informed of the Hon'ble Premier's orders order above, and he may be informed that he should ~~take~~ take more vigorous steps to see that accommodation is secured for the office now occupying the M R O buildings in Egmore, and that he should attend to this matter as a very urgent measure.

Public may see H Pr's ~~order~~ order and take necessary action in the matter.

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C No. 3582 20-9-48.

Public (Genl-c) Dept.

Please see H. Pr's minute and the notes of Edn & P.H. on pp 25-26 ante. Extracts have been taken for separate action in the file relating to securing accommodation for the offices in the M R O buildings, Egmore.

May be returned to Edn & P.H.

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Pub (Gen-c) dept.

C No. 3582/48-1 23-9-48

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Edn & P.H (G3)

H.M. (Edn) may see Hon'ble Pr's order on p. 25 ante - Action is being taken in Public for securing accommodation for offices now occupying the M. R. O buildings at Egmore with a view to releasing the buildings for the use of the M.R.O.

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The file may lie over till 15.10.48.

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Public may perhaps be reminded on 30.10.48.

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C.No. 44958/46

Pub. (Genl.) Dept. may be requested to say whether they have received any report from the Collector of Madras regarding ~~the provision of~~ accommodation for the offices now located in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore.

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Public (General)

E.P.H. 44955-46-G8-21 4.11.48.

1 NOV 1948 C.No. 4012 5.11.48

Public (General-C) Department.

The Collector has not yet been able to secure accommodation for the offices now in M.R.O. buildings at Egmore. The connected file is now on circulation to H.M.(F.D.) and H.Pr. ~~The file will be sent to E.& P.H. on its return from circulation.~~

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The case may again lie over till 30.11.48

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Public (Genl) Dept. may be requested to say whether they have received any report from the Collector of Madras regarding accommodation for the offices now located in the M.R.O. buildings.

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Public (General)

May be perused and returned to E&P.H. with the top file.

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E.P.H. 44955-46-G3-22 3.12.48

4 DEC 1948 C.No. 4369

Pub. (Genl.) Dept. U.O.No. 4369/48

E&P.H.(G3)

Please see ~~notes~~ the Collr.'s reply on p 31 c.f. & the notes & orders on pages 18-19 n.f. in the linked file of Public -

The file may lie over till 1st ~~Feb.~~ March 1949.

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H.M.(F.D) has been having prominently in view the question of bringing back the Record Office from Chittoor to Madras by shifting elsewhere the offices which are now located in the Madras Record Office buildings. He visited the Record Office buildings this morning in order to have a first-hand idea of the accommodation, which the offices now located there would require.

2. At the time of his visit he understood that the office of the Chief Construction Engineer, Electricity, is proposed to be moved to a building in Mount Road - Old Army Clothing Factory -, but that certain proposals have been sent to Govt. for improvement, in those buildings, and that the~~y~~ office will be able to move in only after those improvements have been effected. H.M.(F.D) desires to know at what stage the matter stands and when this office will be able to make that move. P.W.D. may be requested to furnish the information to H.M. (F.D)

3. H.M.(F.D) also desires to know what efforts the Collector of Madras has made so far to find accommodation for the other offices which are now located in the Egmore Record Office buildings viz., the Offices of the Provincial Textile Commissioner, the Conservator of Forests and the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer. Public may be requested to furnish the information to H.M.

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E&P.H. U.O. No. 44955 G²/46-23 Edn
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT IV
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
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5-MAR 1949
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P.W.(E)

Please see the E & P.H. Dept notes at p.30 ante.
With reference to para 2 on p.30 ante it is submitted that the estimates submitted by the C.E.(E) for improvements and electrification of the Ordnance Clothing Factory premises at Mount Road have been generally approved, but the Fin. Dept have suggested that the number of fans provided should be reduced. The C.E.(E) has been ~~consulted~~ addressed in the matter and ~~he has been requested to send a revised estimate~~ for improvements to the above buildings his reply is awaited. With this information the file may be passed on to Pub. Dept.

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Public (General-C) Department

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
9 MAR 1949
C No 775/49
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

The file has been sent to this Department with reference to para. 3 of E.& P.H. Secy's note on p.30 ante. In another connection H.Pr. ordered that arrangements might be made urgently to bring back M.R.O. to Madras. On this the question was examined in consultation with the Curator, M.R.O. and the Collector. The matter was ultimately deferred for the time being -- vide notes and orders in circulation on pp.15-19 n.f. ~~and~~ of l.f. below.

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In view of the acute shortage of accommodation, it is not likely that the Collector will be able to secure accommodation in the near future. The Government building "Brodie Castle", Adyar, is now vacant and it is proposed to partition it for the use of two officers at a cost of Rs.10,000 and odd. The file is in ⊗ circulation. It is understood that H.M.(F.D.) desires that this building need not be partitioned as now proposed, but that it may be used for office accommodation. If this is done, either the offices now in M.R.O. buildings, Egmore may be shifted to "Brodie Castle" or the M.R.O. itself may be brought back and housed in this building. Of the two proposals, the proposal to shift the existing offices in M.R.O. buildings, Egmore to "Brodie Castle" may be preferred as the M.R.O. building will be much more suitable for the storing of records of M.R.O. There is of course the objection that the building 'Brodie Castle' is in an out-of-the-way place and the ministerial establishment etc. will be put to much inconvenience. For this purpose the Director of Industries who wanted the building for his office ~~has~~ suggested that the staff might be compensated with some conveyance allowance. This is a matter that can be examined at a later stage. H.M.(F.D.) may perhaps see the file before sending it to P.W.D. for further action.

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⊗ It is now with H.M.F.D.
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H.M.(F.D.)

Instead of spending Rs 10000/- to remodel it for two residences we can do as proposed above. Moreover any officer or minister who is offered a vacant Govt house in Adayar feels the difficulty of sending children to school and hesitates. So it may be better to use these huge residences like Brodie Castle & Adayar house for shifting the offices in M.R.O. and bring back M.R.O.'s office to Madras. The Govt Buildings in Chittoor in which this is now located is also pressing for the removal of M.R.O. to release them for their original purpose. Also I feel it is time that buildings are restored to their original purpose. It is 7 years since these were shifted -

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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11 MAR 1949
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

⊗ top file
This and the L.F. below may now be sent to P.W.D. for further action.

⊗ Regarding this proposal to divide 'Brodie Castle'

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P.W.D (C)

Please see the Pub (Gl) dept's note on pp 31-32 ante and the minutes of HM (F.D) on p32 ante. Relevant extracts have been taken and the question of allotment of "Brodie Castle" Adyar (and 'Adyar House') to the ~~MRO~~ offices in (MRO buildings Egmore or to the MRO Chittoor) is under consideration in the top file.

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2. The file may be returned to E&P.H.

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P.W.D U.O. No. 2048 C/49-1 15-3-49

E&P.H (G.2)

The notes from page 31 ante may be perused. The file may lie over till 16-4-49 with reference to 'A' above.

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The attention of the Public Dept may be invited to the letter from the High Court on pages 55-56 cf and they may be requested to ask the Collector to report the present stage of his enquiries & to treat the matter as urgent.

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E.P.H. U.O. 4495 S/46-G2-24 5.5.49.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 6 MAY 1949 C.No 1554 PUBLIC

Public (General-C) Department.

(Previous notes of this department on pp.31-32 ante.)

The building 'Brodie Castle' Adyar has been allotted to H.Pr. for his residence and it will not be therefore available for the offices in the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore. In the Memo. on pp.25-26 c.f. in the L.F. below the Collector of Madras has been asked to give the matter his persnal attention and take vigorous steps for securing accommodation for the offices now in the M.R.O. Egmore. In view of the acute shortage of accommodation available for Governmental purpos, the Collector has not been ~~ble~~ able to secure suitable ~~xxxx~~ accommodation till now. He may perhaps be addressed again in the matter enclosing a copy of High Court's letter. This may issue in the ~~top~~ linked file and after issue the file may be returned to E.& P-H.

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Public (Gl) U.O. No. 1554/49-1 11.5.49.

The case may lie over again till 1.7.49.

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Page 63 cf.

From the Curator, M.R.O. No. 1664-A-49-1 dated 10.6.49.

p25 ante

As early as in September 1948 the previous Premier ordered that arrangements might be made urgently to transfer the Madras Record Office from Chittoor to Madras. The former HM (FD) was also of the view that the Record Office should be brought back to

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Madras soon and in that connection visited the MRO buildings at Egmore to have first hand knowledge of the accommodation available there. The Collector of Madras has so far not been able to ~~provide~~ arrange for accommodation elsewhere for the offices now located in the MRO buildings. In the memo dated 10.5.49, the Collr. has been asked to take vigorous steps in that direction.

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Having regard to the above position, E & P.H. may support the suggestion of the Curator that the rooms vacated by the offices now occupying the MRO buildings at Egmore may be kept vacant.

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Pub. (Genl) may see the case for remarks on the Curator's letter on pages 63-65 c.f.

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Public (General-C) Department.

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4495592/46-25
16.6.49

Please see the Curator, M.R.O.'s letter on pp.63-64 c.f. The Curator suggests

1) that when the office of the Provincial Textile Commissioner is shifted the accommodation occupied by that office might be kept vacant;

and 2) that the office of the Chief Construction Engineer located (in the M.R.O. building) might be shifted to the old Ordnance clothing Factory building.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
17 JUN 1949
C No 2150
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

(1) above:

The Government have decided even in bruary 1948 that the office of the P.M.T.C. should be

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shifted from the Old Engineering College buildings so as to enable the Board to utilise that accommodtion. Additional accommodation is very urgently required in the O.E.C. buildings for the Board. In that connection the accommodation now occupied by the Provincial Textile Commr. in M.R.O. Egmore was suggested for the P.M.T.C. This is dealt with in the top file. In view of the extreme urgency ~~of finding~~ for additional accommodation for the Board in the O.E.C. buildings it is for consideration whether the Curator's proposal may b.O. for the present. F or orders.

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(2) above The Chief Engineer may be consulted.

Draft submitted.

S.R. 21.6.49

May be returned to E & P.H. after issue of draft below.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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and the note in the linked file

In view of ~~what~~ what is stated in the Pub Dept note above, the Curator may be informed that the question of the retransfer of the M.R.O. to Egmore ~~will~~ is still under the consideration of ~~may be considered after~~ the Govt. ~~[illegible]~~ –

The draft memo below is for appl.

25.6.49.

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~~D.S.~~ 27.6.49

[Memo No. 44955-92-46-2 dated 27.6.49]

From the Curator, M.R.O. No. 1644-A-49-2 Dt 7.7.49.

L.O. 31/7/49

pages 71-74 cf

In this Dept.'s note on pages 34-35 ante Edu. P. it supported the Curator's suggestion that the space in the M.R.O. buildings Egmore, which will ~~be vacant~~ become available by the abolition of the P.T.C. be kept vacant for use by the M.R.O. — Public have noted, however, that as additional accommodation was required urgently for the Board in the Old Engineering College Buildings, the PMTC who now occupies these buildings has to be urgently accommodated in the M.R.O., Egmore and that the Curator's suggestion might lie over —

p. 36 ante

The Curator, ~~who~~ has again made a sharp representation urging the abandonment of the proposal to accommodate the P.M.T.C.'s office in the M.R.O. It appears that in his letter on pages 71-74 cf. the Curator has

pages 71-74 cf

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has made out a good case — It is seen however from the Pub (Genl) file on the subject that the P.M.T.C. has to be moved urgently from the O.E.C. Buildings, and that therefore the Record Office will have to wait for some more time before the M.R.O. Buildings can be made available for it —

Ext. from 32887/49 pages 13-14 cf mi L7.

As inconvenience to Sub Court and to the R.D.O.'s office is also referred to by the Curator Home & Rev. may also see the case after Public have seen —

para 3 on pages 71-72 cf

12.7.49.

This Dept. may support the Curator's proposal contained in the last para of his letter.

pages 73-74 cf

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Every one of the six arguments pressed by the Curator cannot be controverted. Not only is the present accommodation for the records inconvenient and risky, but the location of the office in Chittoor is affecting its own efficiency and that of other departments. There is also the question of economy and the inconvenience to the staff. When the reasons for the transfer which were the conditions imposed by the war are over, there is no reason why the Curator's office should not return to the buildings specially constructed for it. The other office can be accommodated equally well in other buildings. It is therefore suggested that the orders transferring the ~~P.A.~~ PMTC and his office to this building may not issue and that the other offices may be transferred as suggested by the Curator in para 8 of his letter.

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CM. 2572
13/7/49

Public (General-C) Department.

As already stated additional accommodation is very urgently required for the Board of Revenue in the Old Engineering College buildings. This additional accommodation ~~xx~~ can be provided only by shifting the offices of the P.M.T.C. elsewhere. No other suitable accommodation is available. In the circumstances it would appear imperative that P.M.T.C. should move into the accommodation that will be vacated by the Provincial Textile Commr in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore.

p 36 ante

2. With ref. to the Memo. on p.67-78 c.f. the Chief Engineer has ~~already~~ agreed to the shifting of the office of the Chief Construction Engineer (now in M.R.O. buildings) to the Ordnance Clothing Factory, Mount Road. It is for consideration whether the accommodation that will be vacated by the Chief Construction Engineer may be given to the M.R.O. so that they may fit up racks and move part of the records from Chittoor thus relieving congestion in Chittoor to some extent. If E.&PH agree orders may be issued accordingly.

p. 75 c.f.

This may be done

It does not appear that the office of the Deputy Director of Enforcement (Textiles) is now in M.R.O. buildings. He was not occupying any separate portion but was given some accommodation in his office by the P.T.C. In any case an attempt may be made to find accommodation for this office and for the Dy. Commercial Tax Officer elsewhere. If E.& P.H. ~~xx~~ are agreeable the Collector will be addressed in the matter.

Item 5 in M on p73 c.f.

Item 4 in M on p73 c.f.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
55579
20 JUL 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

The file may now be returned to E.& P.H. [relevant extracts of notes and orders in circulation from the top file is put up at (X). A copy of the final orders in the top file has been sent to E.& P.H.]

18.7.49

E&PH

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Dis. 1529/49-11
15-7-49.

Pub Genl. C Dept
U.O. No. 2130/49-3
18-7-49

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E & P.H. (S2)

Secy's note on pages 38-39 ante & the subsequent note & orders thereon - The extract of the orders at (X) may be perused - The Pub. Dept. memo allotting a portion of the M.R.O. building to the P.M.T.C. is on p. 77 c.f. -

It is for consideration whether Pub. may be asked to take action as proposed by them in ~~the~~ notes on p 39 ante -

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We may find out from the Curator if this proposal is feasible. It may be difficult for him to move in by instalments

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A draft memo is submitted for approval -

27.7.49

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pp 79-80 c.f. [Memo No. 44955-S2/46-28 Edn dated 30.7.49]

pages 81-82 From the Curator M.R.O. No 1644 49-3 dated 5.8.49

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Attention is invited to the Curator's letter on pages 81-82 c/- with reference to the Public Department's proposals in the note on p. 39 ante. He accepts them. This Dept.) may request Public to issue necessary orders for moving the Electricity Dept. to the Ordnance Clothing Factory Buildings early. They may also take action ~~in~~ in respect of the portion occupied by the Dy. Commercial Tax Officer.

2. The detailed proposals referred to in para 2 on p 81 c/- may be awaited.

3. Public may see the case.

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E&P.H. no. 44935-92/49-29
17.8.49.

Em. 3004
19/8/49

Public(General-C) Dept.

Please see the E.&.P.H. Note above. It is since understood that the office of the Chief Construction Engineer has been shifted from the M.R.O. Buildings Egmore - vide Notification in "Hindu" dated 25.8.49 on p83 c/-. The accommodation vacated by this office may be given to M.R.O.

The Collr. may be requested to secure alternative accommodation for the office of the Dy.Commercial Tax Officer now in M.R.O. Building.

Draft submitted. P.W.D. and E&P.H. may see before issue.

26.8.49 P.W.D E&P.H

p 83 c/-

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19 AUG 1949
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

P.W.D (C)

(Previous note of this dept on p33 ante)

The Pub (Gl) dept's note on p41 ante and the draft memo below may be perused and the file passed on to E&P.H.

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P.W.D. W.O. No.
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26.8.49

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26 AUG 1949
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

pages 85-86 From the Curator MRO - No 1644 A-49-4- dated 16.8.48.
From the Curator MRO No. 1644A-49-5- dated 25.8.48.

Attention is invited to the Curator's two letters since received and added to the file on pages 85-88 c/-. From his letter of the 25th August it is seen that the entire block ~~[illegible]~~ used by the Electricity Dept. will not be available for the M R O. If this is a fact the relief to the M.R.O will only be partial. E&P.H may suggest that as requested by the Curator, the Electricity Dept. may be instructed not to locate any of their offices in Block 5 of the Buildings. If Pub agree, the draft memo below may be suitably amended with reference to this suggestion.

2. Subject to the above remarks the draft memo below may be accepted & the file returned to Pub (Genl)

26.8.49.

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pages 87-88

p 88 c/-

I agree 28-8-49
The building belongs to M.R.O and was constructed according to its requirements. It can never have the same value to other offices, who tend to regard it as no man's property

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E&P.H no. 44935-92/49-30
29.8.49

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
29 AUG 1949
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

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Public (General) B Dept.

Please see P.W. and E & P.H. notes on p. 42 ante. The draft Memo. below has been amended ~~[illegible]~~ suitably. It may ~~P.W.D. may again see before issue~~.

29/8/49. Issue now.

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(Issued as Memo. 3006/49-2 d/29-8-49).

May be returned to E & P.H.

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Pub (Gen. C) Dept.
Memo. 3004/49-3
30-8-49

E & P.H (92)

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30 AUG 1949

The memo which has issued to the C.E & the Collr. of Madras is for perusal (p. 91 cf)

The file may lie over till 15. 9. 49.

30.8.49.

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p 99 cf

From the Curator M.R.O.
No. 1644-A-49-9 Dt. 10.9.49.

Extract from the Curator's letter (on p. 99 cf) may be sent to PWD for action with the request that they may treat the matter as urgent

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pp 101-102 cf

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E & P.H (92)

The reply from the CE & the Collector of Madras w.r.t. the memo at p 91 cf may be awaited till 18/11/49.

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[C. No: 86049 - From the Curator, M.R.O, Chittoor No: 549 A/48-20 Dt 3-11-49]

W.r.t. 'M' on p 41 ante, the curator has submitted proposals for transferring certain old and less frequently required records and some racks from Chittoor to Egmore. The proposal will no doubt relieve congestion at Chittoor to a certain extent. The removal of the racks will provide accomodation for the staff employed in M.R.O, Chittoor. Hence the proposal may be approved.

The Curator has stated that 25 lorries on the whole are required for the purpose. The expenditure involved is Rs 2725/- No provision is made in the B.E for the purpose. The expenditure may be admitted in audit pending provision of funds. The curator will apply for additional funds in due course. A draft memo is submitted. Finance may see it for acceptance.

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Fin (Exp. B.)

(Fin. previously noted on p.p. 22-23 above)

The proposal in this file relates to the shifting of the M.R.O. Chittoor back to Madras. To give effect to this proposal, the Govt. offices that are at present located in the building of the M.R.O. Egmore, should first be shifted to other buildings and the Collr. of Madras was asked to find out suitable accommodation for these Govt. offices. As suitable accommodations could not be secured, the proposal to shift the M.R.O. Chittoor back to Madras in its entirety could not be carried out. ~~even the~~ Of the several offices that are at present located at M.R.O. Egmore, the office of the Chief Construction Engineer has since been shifted to ~~the [illegible] Buildings, [illegible]~~ Chepauk. Block no. 5 ~~[illegible]~~ in the M.R.O. office Egmore and the 3 garages since vacated by the Chief Construction Engineer were ~~allotted~~ given back to the M.R.O. so that racks can be fitted up and a portion of the records now in Chittoor can be moved to Madras. The Collector of Madras has been addressed to secure a suitable alternative accommodation for the office of the Dy. Commercial Tax officer (at present located at M.R.O. Egmore) so that that portion also when released ~~[illegible]~~ may be made available to M.R.O. As the records and racks from Chittoor have to be transferred to Egmore at some time or other, the Curator M.R.O. has proposed to transfer the old and the less frequently required records and ~~[illegible]~~ racks from M.R.O. Chittoor to M.R.O. Egmore at an estimated cost of ~~[illegible]~~ about Rs. 2725/- (for details vide his letter on p.p. 101-102 c.f.). E & P.H. have proposed

p.p. 5-6 c.f.

p 19 c.f.

p 35 c.f.

p. 91 c.f.

p 91 c.f.

p. 101-102 c.f.

p. 43 above.

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to accept the proposal of the Curator, M.R.O. Chittoor and to sanction an expenditure not exceeding Rs 2725/- to be met from the additional allotment that may be applied for in due course.

The proposal may be agreed to in Finance and the draft order below accepted.

18/11/49

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EPH (G2)

Fin. u.o. 76209/EB-1 18.11.49

The draft memo below may now issue.

19.11.49.

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19 NOV 1949

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p 103 cf

[Memo No. 44955-46-33 G2 Edn. dated 23.11.49]

From the Curator M.R.O. No. 350-A-50-1 dated 27.2.1950.

pages 107-108 cf

In his letter on pages 107-108 cf the Curator reiterates his previous suggestion that the office of the P.M.T.C may at at least be transferred from the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore so that the records at Chittoor can be moved to Madras. Pub (Genl) stated last year that it was ~~[illegible]~~ "imperative" that that office should then be located in the Record Office buildings.

Para 1 of the note on p 39 ante

2. In a letter forwarded by the High Court (added on pages 109-112 cf) the

Please add the letter [illegible] the High Court [illegible]

The Dt. Judge has pointed out that it is absolutely necessary that the Sub Court buildings now occupied by the MRO at Chittoor should be given back to the ~~Dept.~~ Judicial Department for the use of the additional Sub Court Chittoor after the summer recess.

In view of the District Judge's letter the question of releasing accommodation in the MRO buildings, Egmore may be treated as very urgent.

Home and Pub (Genl) may see the case for remarks.

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Home (Courts I) Deptt.

(This Dept. last saw the case on pp 21-22 above)

This file relates to the shifting of the M.R.O. Chittoor back to Madras. Please see ~~para 2 of~~ the notes of the Education Deptt on pp 46-47 above. There is at present no proposal regarding the appointment of an addl. sub judge at Chittoor. It is understood that the High Court will come up with proposals in this regard in July next.

C.No. 24985-F/46-34
15.3.50.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
17 MAR 1950
HOME DEPARTMENT

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The Offices of the P.M.T.C, D.R.O; C.R.T.Bd and A.R.O. Madras are at present located in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore. It is presumed that the Curator suggests that all these offices should be shifted elsewhere. If it is imperative that these offices should be shifted out of the Record Office buildings, Egmore, Public (General) may be requested to provide suitable accommodation for locating these offices in consultation with the Transport Commissioner.

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After Orders are passed the file may be passed on to Public (Genl)

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Pub (Gol.)

Home no. 35592 etc/50-1
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Pub (Genl)

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
27 MAR 1950
C.No 1016
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC (GENERAL.C) DEPT.

In the M.R.O. buildings at Egmore, the following offices are now located:-

(1) Offices of the P.M.T.C., etc.

(2) Chief Conservator of Forests,

(3) Deputy Commercial Tax Officer, and

(4) a portion of the M.R.O.

The Collector of Madras has been requested to secure suitable alternative accommodation for the office of the Deputy Commercial Tax Officer, and when this officer vacates, the accommodation released by that office will also be made available to M.R.O. The Curator has now come forward with the proposal that the offices of the P.M.T.C. may be shifted from the M.R.O. buildings, so that the entire Records from Chittoor may be brought over to Madras. In a letter forwarded by the High Court, the District Judge, Chittoor, has also pointed out that it is absolutely necessary that the Sub Court buildings now occupied by the M.R.O. should be given back to the Judicial Dept. for the use of the Additional Sub Court, Chittoor after the summer recess. In respect of the District Judge's letter, Home Dept. have pointed out that there is at present no proposal regarding the appointment of an Addl. Sub Judge at Chittoor. The request of the Curator for the shifting of the P.M.T.C. Offices can be considered only when suitable alternative accommodation is available for those offices. These

pp. 107-108 C6

pp. 111-112 C6

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proposal for an additional Labour Court at Chittoor – The High Court need not be consulted at this stage.

Pub (Genl) may consider the suggestion in para 3 of the Curator's letter regarding the Bodotto buildings on the Mount Road –

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Pub(Gl.)

Public (General) Deptt.

This Deptt. last saw the file on pp. 48-49 ante.

Please see notes on pp. 49-51 above and the letter from the Curator on pp. 115-116 cf. The Curator's proposal may be considered when the proposals for the allotment of Bosotto Buildings are received from the Accommodation Controller. Necessary extracts have been taken and added to the file.

May be returned to Education.

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Edn. u.o. No. 44955-F/46-36 dated 8/50

pp. 48-57 c.f.

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Pub (Genl.) mono. 1614/12.5

Deputy Secretary — MAY 1950 — Cno 1614 — Public Department

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please see the ~~cur~~ letter from the curator M.R.O. No. 358-A/50-3 dated 9-5-50 ~~form~~ on pp 117-118 cf. in which he has suggested that necessary instructions may be issued by Govt. ~~to~~ to the Accommodation controller to allot the first suitable building to the Dy. Commercial Tax officer ~~and~~. He ~~has also suggested that~~ ~~to the latter to the D.C.T.O. may be instructed to accept the same. The file may be sent to public (general) and to Rev. to issue necessary instructions in this regard.~~

the D.C.T.O. may be instructed to accept the building

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Assistant Secretary — 15 MAY 1950 — 11506 — Education Department

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allotted by the Accommodation Controller, Madras. Necessary instructions will have to be issued by the Public (General) ~~Deptt~~ and Rev. Depts to whom the file may now be sent. Public (General) may also be requested to state whether the proposals of the Accommodation Controller referred to at X on p 51 ante have since been received.

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This may lie over till 31.5.50 –

23.5.50.

Public may be ~~asked~~ asked to address the Controller if they have not already done so. ~~He~~ they may be asked to treat the matter as urgent & send an early reply.

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Pub (Genl)

Public (General) Deptt.

[This deptt. last saw the file on p. 51 ante.]

The Accommodation Controller will be sending proposals shortly. The matter is being treated as special.

May be returned to Education.

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Assistant Secretary — 30 MAY 1950 — 13529 — Education Department

(P.T.O.)

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Please see the Public note on the previous page. The file may lie over till 15.6.50.

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Public Dept may now be requested to state in what ~~the~~ stage the matter stands at present.

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Pub (Genl.)

Edn. U.O. 44955-F/50-38
16-6-50

Public (General) G Dept

Proposals for the allotment of the buildings have been received from the Accommodation Controller and they are being considered. No decision has yet been taken. May be returned to Education

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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please see the public (genl.) deptt.'s note above. The file may lie over till 8-7-50.

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59 note (98)

Extracts of Public(General-G) Department, (G.No.887/50) from the file relating to Buildings - Madras Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1949 - Premises No. 177-179 Mount Road, Madras, formerly occupied by Hotel Bosotto- Allotment.

If the A.G. is given the ground floor (14000 Sq. ft.) the first floor(16723 Sq.Ft.) the space available should be sufficient. The hostel may continue where it is at present.

I am not ~~give up~~ sure if the balance of space available will be sufficient for the M.P.S.C.(x) Unfortunately I could not contact the Chairman M.P.S.C. as he is away. The matter can be pursued separately.

x: 2nd & 3rd floor.

H.M.(E.& L.) may see first as some Legal issues are involved. He may also have some information about the M.P.S.C.

(Sd) K.R.M.

H.M.(E.& L.)
H.M.(Proh.)
H.C.M.

The A.G.'s department is a Central Dept. and the Military Dept. also is a Central Dept. and there is no meaning of one Central Govt. Dept. trying to drive out another Central ~~Central~~ Government Dept. The Central Govt. must resolve it by asking the Military Dept. not to press the A.G. to get out.

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The space necessary for M.P.S.C. to shift from its present buildings must be provided as otherwise we would lose a College in Madras. So the suggestion of the C.S. may be agreed to - the ground + 4th 1st floor for A.G. and the 2nd 3rd floor for M.P.S.C. I too have not personally contacted the Chairman but Mr. Ethiraj told me that the Chairman will agree as he has spoken to him. The Chairman is not here. It will be good to ask the other members who are here and the Secretary to see whether the accommodation will suit them.

Regarding the Legal question, I agree there is a little risk, but ~~one-h~~ we have gone to a stage when that risk has to be undertaken as we have already taken possession of the vacant portion. To surrender it back to the Receiver is no remedy. Even if the Landlord wires in appeal, he can only be a nuisance as ultimately he is to give vacancy notice.

K.M. (H.M.) E&L.
11/6

C.S. may contact the Chairman , M.P.S.C. by phone and find out the suitability of the building for their offices. If it suits them they may be allotted.

(Sd) P.S.K. 12/6
H.C.M.

The Secretary, M.P.S.C. was contacted on the phone and he was asked to make an inspection of the building and say whether the two floors suggested would be suitable for the Commission. The Chairman of the Commission is in Trichy and will be returning only on the 29th. Another member, Sri Narasimharaju, is also out of the City. Sri Gnanasundara Mudaliar alone is in the City. The Secretary immediately consulted him. He said he would inspect the building and that he will not be in a position to express an opinion whether the building is suitable before the Chairman comes back and sees the building. That means, the question will have to be kept pending till the end of the month. In the circumstance, it is for orders whether the building should be kept unallotted till the Commission gives its opinion as to the suitability of the building for their purpose or whether the ground and 1st floors of the building may be allotted to A.G. immediately.

(Sd) K.R.M 12/6

H.M.(Proh.)
H.M.(E.& L) We cannot keept it vacant till the end of the month. If. M.P.S.C. is not in a position to decide we may allot it to some other offices. As H.M.(E.& L.) puts it the Central Govt. may step in to protect the interests of A.G.'s office . Hence proposals may be put up to allot the building to some other officers, whose location at a Central place would serve the public most.

(Sd) N.S.R (H.M.Proh)
12/6.

Let the M.P.S.C. see ~~please~~.
K.M. (H.M(E&L)
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The file may be circulated to H.M.(Proh.) for perusal of the minute of H.M.(E.& L.). A draft letter to the M.P.S.C. is submitted for consideration.

Sd. C.S.R.
D.S(Pub) 13/6.

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Public(General-A) Department.

The file relates to allotment of the Building.177-179 Mount Road now vacant and taken over under the Act. The plan of the building is at 'Z'. ~~For details relating to floor space et. please see para 4 in the typed note on page 28 ante.~~

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2. In his note on page 30 ante C.S. recommended that the ground and the 1st floors may be given to A.G. and the 2nd and the 3rd floors to the M.P.S.C. At the instance of the Finance Dept.H.M.(Proh) kindly consented to see the A.G. at 3 p.m. on 30-6-1950 when the A.G. is expected to explain to H.M. the position fully in regard to the accommodation required by him.

3. With reference to orders in circulation on pp. 30-31 and 32 M.P.S.C. was asked to inspect the building and report whether the 2nd and 3rd floor of the building will be suitable for the Commission's purpose. The Commission is prepared to move into Bosotto Buikdings immediately if the ground and the 1st floors together with the three garages now vacant are handed over to them. They have stated that some improvement to Electric fan etc. will have to be effected. The ground floor consists of large

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number of halls or big rooms with an available floor space of 15,000 sq.ft. The 1st floor consists of seven big rooms and 19 small rooms with total floor space of 16,723 sq.ft. Thus the total floor space in the ground and 1st floor comes to nearly 31,000 sq.ft. It is doubtful whether the Commission would require such a large area. In a previous letter they have stated they would require about 17 rooms ~~are~~ as below:

Members	3
Secy.& A.S.	2
Meeting room	1
Waiting ,,	1
Record ,,	1
Office staff etc.	9

It is possible that the Commission may be induced to remain satisfied with some lesser space. The immediate necessity for finding alternative accommodation to the M.P.S.C. is explained in the minutes of H.M.(E.& L.) on pp 30-31 ante. In the circumstances it is for orders whether the ground and 1st floor may be allotted to the Commission.

This is doubtful as it is difficult to divide one floor between the Commission's and another office
Sd. A.
(A.S public)

With reference to C.S.'s suggestion that the Income-tax dept. may be allotted a portion in Bosotto building and that the accommodation now occupied by them in the Kushaldoss Garden may be given to the Commission, the M.P.S.C. was asked to inspect and report on the Kushaldoss Garden. The Commission has stated that the Kushaldoss Gardens are definitely unsuitable for the Commission's use. In the circumstances the question of allotting a portion of Bosotto building to the Income tax dept. need not be considered.

4. Subject to orders in para 3 above the portion that will be left out will be 2nd and 3rd floor with a floor space of 11,200 sq.ft. nearly. These two floors consist of 10 big rooms and 15 small rooms. If it is proposed to allot any portion of the building to A.G. perhaps the 2nd and 3rd floors may be allotted to him. In the alternative the accommodation may be allotted to some of the State Govt.offices for whom alternative accommodation is very urgently required. A list of such offices with the floor space required etc. is put up in the statement at (P). Being the 2nd and 3rd floors it may not perhaps be convenient for the Transport Commissioner as his office is one to which public resort to. The Chief Conservator of Forest now in the M.R.O. buildings requiring about 12,000 sq. ft. may conveniently take up this accommodation. A further portion of the M.R.O. ~~buildings~~ now in Chittoor may be brought back, if the C.C.F. or any of the other offices now in the M.R.O. buildings, Egmore is secured alternative accommodation.

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5. In case the ground and 1st floors are not allotted to the Commission and if it is proposed to allot the entire portions to the offices noted in (P) it is submitted that the ground and the 1st floors may be shared suitably by the D.P.H., Transport Commissioner, Director of Fisheries and the Dy.Commercial Tax Officer. The 2nd and the 3rd floors may be allotted to the C.C.F. This arrangement would help to bring back the entire M.R.O. from Chittoor. Also the D.P.H. and the Director of Fisheries will be releasing altoghther 4 buildings rented by them for allotment to other offices. When petrol rationing in the city, etc. is removed, the Transport Commissioner may not be requiring 8000 sq.ft. as stated in P . He may require about 5,500 - 6000 sq.st.

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(The Commission's official reply since received is on page 176 cf.)

Perhaps the M.P.S.C. may be given the ground floor the first floor H.M.(proh) is meeting the A.G. tomorrow. He may be asked if he will be agreeable to the 2nd and 3rd floor being allotted to him though the floor space available is only 11,200 ft. If he agrees, orders may be issued accordingly. Otherwise we may perhaps do as at 'X' last page.

P. 1 ante

In any case, final decisions may be taken after H.M.(Proh) meets the A.G.

H. M (Proh)
H.M.(E.& L.)
H.C.M.

Ground floor and 1st floor may be allotted to M.P.S.C. and the 2nd and 3rd floor to the Chief Conservator of forests. Sd. N. S. R (H. M. Proh) 30/6

K.M.
30-6-1950.

Sd. P.S.K 30/6.

A draft Memo for the allotment of the buildings Nos.177-179 Mt.Rd. is submitted below(draftI). Draft letters to the Commission, American Consultate and Central Tea Board are also submitted (drafts II and III)

2. Orders in regard to the allotment of the accommodation now occupied by the M.P.S.C. and the C.C.F. may be issued in P.W.D. in consultation with Education. Their attention in this connection may be invited to the minutes of H.M.(E.& L.) on pp 30-31 ante and the portion marked 'Z' in the note on page 38 ante. The file may be sent to Edn. and P.W. after issue of the drafts below. They may be requested to take necessary extracts and ~~itm~~ to return the file immediately.

N/ I shd. like to see the proposals in due course (Sd.) K. R. M.
p 54 ante

Sd. K. R. M (2/7/50)
C.S.

Education (F)

The orders on the previous pages and the memo on page 178 cf. may be perused.

The buildings on the Commander in Chief Road now occupied by the M.P.S.C. are required for the Ethiraj College for Women.

R.D.P. Secy. Edn.
3-7-1950.

P.W.D.(G)

Please see the memo on page 178 cf. and the notes of Public(G1) and Edn. on pp 30-40 above. Action has now to be taken for the allotment of the accommodation now occupied by the M.P.S.C. and the Chief Conservator of Forests. As regards allotment of the buildings now occupied by the M.P.S.C. please see the minutes of H.M.(E.& L.) at 'A' on page 30 ante, the Edn.Deptt. note above and the Public(General)U.O. note at 'B' on page 120 cf. It will be seen that the Edn.Dept.have a file on the subject. As regards the allotment of the accommodation now occupied by the C.C.F please see the notes of Public(General) & Education extracted on pages 76-79 cf. The Edn.Dept.appears to have a separate file on this subject also. In the circumstances it seems desirable that Edn.Dept.takes relevant extracts from this file, puts them up in their files referred to above and sends them to this dept. with their remarks, so that orders may be issued in this deptt.

Not extracted

2. This may be returned to Edn.Deptt. with the above remarks.

Sd P.W.D 4/7

(True extract)

/M

Edn Deptt

Please see the extract of notes and orders in circulation on pp 54-57 ante and the Public Deptt Memo ~~no~~ on p 121 cf. With reference to these orders the office of the Chief Conservator of Forests which is now located in the M.R.O buildings at Egmore will be shifted to No. 177-179, Mount Road. The portion of the M.R.O. ~~ft~~ buildings vacated by this office may be made available to the Curator, M.R.O. for bringing back some more records from Chittoor as requested by him in para 3 of his letter No. 358.A /50-2 d 18.4.1950. As ~~these~~ the buildings belongs to the M.R.O & as ~~they are~~ it is ~~are now being~~ proposed to be given back to the M.R.O, ~~[illegible]~~ there seems to be no objection to the orders being issued in this Deptt. In this view, a draft Memo is submitted for approval. Pub (Genl) / P. W. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ may see before issue.

A on p 116 cf

1125 P1
Vide extract at N on p 57 ante

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8/7/50

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Pub(Genl) / P.W.

Edn. U.O.
44955 F/46-39
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
6 JUL 1950
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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC(GENERAL-C)DEPARTMENT.

The C.C.F. who was occupying a portion of the M.R.O.Buildings has been allotted alternative accommodation in the premises No.177-179 Mount Road. The portion in the M.R.O. buildings vacated by the C.C.F. is proposed to be given back to the M.R.O. so that some more records may be brought back to Madras. The draft below provides for this. C.S. wanted to see this case.

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May be passed on to P.W.D.

8/7/50.

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Pub (Gen. C) dept.
U.O. No. 2551/50-1
10.7.50

PWD

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
3869
10 JUL 1950
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

P.W.D (Gl)

The notes on pp 58-59 above and the draft memo below may be perused and the file returned to the Edn dept.

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11.7.50 Edn

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P.W.D U.O. NO.
3869-G/50-1
11.7.50

Edn (7)

The draft memo below - though the Main Record Office will still be at Chittoor, some more records will now be moved to Madras - may issue -

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[Issued as Memo No 44955 F/46-40 d 11/7/50] — pp 123-124 cf

From the Registrar, High Court, Madras, Roc No. 2360/50-D4 d 12/7/50 - p 125 cf

From the Curator, M.R.O. No. 358-A/50-6 d 15.7.1950 - pp 129-130 cf

With reference to the orders in the Memo on pp 123-124 ~~cf~~, c.f., the Curator, Madras Record Office, Chittoor has submitted proposals for the transfer of records from Chittoor to Egmore. It is proposed to entrust the work of fitting up ~~of~~ the racks to private fitters instead of the P.W. Dept. for speedy execution of work and to pay the Chittoor Motor Transport Co. LTD at the rate of Rs 90/ per lorry per trip for 90 lorry trips ~~Rs~~ for the shifting of the records and racks from Chittoor to Egmore. The total expenditure involved in the proposals is estimated at Rs 13,500. No provision has been made ~~is~~ made in the B.E. for 1950-51 for the purpose. The proposals of the Curator may be approved and the expenditure may be admitted in audit pending provision of funds. The Curator will apply for additional funds in due course.

pp 129-130 cf

para 1 on p 129 cf

para 2 on p 129

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p 130 cf

The proposals on pages 129-130 cf are quite reasonable & may be approved.
19.7.50.

Attention is invited to the letter of the Registrar, High Court, Madras with its enclosures on pp 125-128 cf. It is seen that the additional Sub Judge's Court sanctioned for Chittoor will start functioning from 1.9.1950 and that the records should be removed from the Sub-Court buildings before that date. Please see also para 5 of the Curator's letter on p 130 cf. The Registrar may be informed that arrangements are being made by the Curator for the shifting of the records from the Sub-Court buildings to Egmore.

Two draft Memos are submitted for approval. P.W.D., Home and Finance may see before issue.

19.7.50

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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19 JUL 1950
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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44955F/46-41 Edn
19/7/50.

PWD

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P.W.D (Cg)

The Edn. Dept's note on pp 59-60 ante and the drafts below may be perused and the file passed on to Home.

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Home (Courts I) Dept

P.W.D Lr. No. 4051 G/50-1

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(This Dept. last saw the case on p50 supra)

The notes of the Edn. Dept on pp 59-60 ante ~~may be~~ and Draft II below to the High Court may be perused and the case passed on to Finance.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
20 JUL 1950
HOME DEPARTMENT

Finance (Exp.B) Deptt.

Home Lr. No. 1013[illegible] 22.7.50

(Previous Finance note on pp.45-46 above)

The notes of Education Department from XX page 59 above may be perused. ‡ The proposal ~~for the transfer of~~ sanction an expr. of Rs. 13,500 for transfer of M.R.O. records from Chittoor to Egmore ~~at an estimated cost of Rs 13,500~~ may be agreed to in this Department.

‡ Details on p. 130 c.f.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
24 JUL 1950
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

24/7/50

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As there is no provision for the expenditure in the current year's Budget, action will have to be aken to provide funds by reappropriation from savings thin ~~the~~ Grant IX. The draft memo below (Draft I) be accepted subject to the alteration indicated in cil.

Thr' CSR.

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D.S.

25/7/50

Edn (7)

Fin Lr. No. 66609 EF

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25 JUL 1950
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Issue today

25.7.50

to CO. I [Issued as Memo No. 44955 F/46-42 dated 25.7.50]

[illegible] Memo No. 44955 F/46-42 dated 25.7.50

p 131 c.f.

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Edn Deptt (F)

Please see the Memo on ~~pp~~ p131 c.f. It does not seem necessary to keep the file pending. For orders whether the ~~file~~ papers may be

Orders/MS No 2346 Edn d 22-8

Recorded.

18/8/50

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Sub

Madras Record Office - Transfer from Chittoor to Madras Ordered. Papers recorded.