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READ—the following paper :—

From the Executive Engineer, Kistna Northern Division, to the Superintending Engineer, II Circle, dated 22nd April 1895, No. 54 S.E.

I have the honour to forward, for your information and orders, a copy of letter No. 1104-Ver. of 1895, dated 9th April 1895, from the Collector, Kistna, which raises the whole question of thatched pandals round buildings.

These are almost invariably used as stated by the Collector and are, in the absence of broad verandahs, almost indispensable. They are, however, not allowed by Public Works Department Code, volume I, chapter VII, paragraph 42, being a danger to the building round which they are erected owing to their inflammable nature. It is on this account that the regulation is framed and not from any objection to the use of thatch or roofs as distinguished from pandals. In my opinion the Collector's objection to removing pandals is quite reasonable, but I do not wish to be saddled with the responsibility of acquiescing in their remaining in contravention to Code rules although I agree that they are almost a necessity.

ENCLOSURE.

From the Collector of Kistna, to the Executive Engineer, Kistna Northern Division, dated 9th April 1895, No. 1104-Ver.

The Tahsildar, Bezwada, has forwarded to me a copy of your letter to him, No. 1588 M., dated 11th March 1895, calling on him to remove the "thatched extensions to the verandah" of his cutcherry on the ground that thatched roofs on or near Government buildings are prohibited. "These thatched extensions" are what are usually called pandals and in this district and all others with which I am acquainted are considered an indispensable means of minimising the heat and glare of the sun. If they are to be construed as "roofs," probably every office in the district will be affected and great discomfort caused to those who have to work therein. I would suggest that "pandals" hardly come under the category of roofs and that your objection might be withdrawn; otherwise it will be necessary to ask Government to sanction the large amount that will be necessary to provide premanent verandah extensions for all Government buildings in the district.

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Forwarded to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, for favour of orders. The undersigned would leave each case to be decided on its merits by the Executive Engineer concerned. A properly constructed pandal does not add much to the risk of fire, but a thatched pandal or verandah may be built in such a manner as to be objectionable.

(Signed) W. L. C. BADDELEY, Major, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, II Circle.

28th April 1895.

ORDER—dated 11th May 1895, No. 1124 W., Public Works.

The Superintending Engineer's suggestion is approved.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, II Circle.
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