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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 679 Press Mis.

Dated 25-10 - 1858

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Fort Saint George, Financial Consultation, 29th Octr. 1858.

No. 12. Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department, dated 12th October 1858, No. 2130.

(*Vide* Consultation, 12th October 1858, Nos. 143 and 144.)

(*Referring, for consideration, copy of a letter from the Officiating Chief Engineer submitting a Plan and Estimate, amounting to Rupees* 16,800, *for remodelling the roof of the Accountant General's Office.*)

No. 13. ORDER THEREON, No. 699; dated 25th October 1858.

The Government approve of the proposed repairs to the Building occupied as the Accountant General's Office, estimated at Rupees (16,800) Sixteen thousand Eight hundred, and direct that orders be issued in the Public Works Department for their execution.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Public.

No. 2130.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 12th October 1858.

Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 30th September 1858, No. 4123.

SIR,

In a letter dated 2nd June 1858, No. 77, the Acting Garrison Engineer while reporting on the bad state of the roofs, &c. of the Accountant General's Office, requested authority to submit a fresh Estimate for remodelling the same, and was then desired to prepare and submit a Plan and Estimate, which I have the honor to forward, together with a copy of a letter from that Officer, dated 18th September 1858, No. 313, amounting to Rupees (16,800) sixteen thousand and eight hundred.

1 Copy of letter.
1 Abstract Estimate Rupees 16,800.
1 Plan.

2. The beams and joists of the 2nd and 3rd Stories of the building are much bent from the enormous weight of masonry laid over the terraced roof, and the inner cornices are also giving way from the great pressure above, so that it is necessary to give the roof support, and from the present appearance of the terrace, the cracks in which have been spreading, the leakage must become very considerable in the event of a severe monsoon.

3. The roof of the building is altogether in an unsound state, and requires complete renewal, and the accompanying Estimate of Rupees (16,800) sixteen thousand and eight hundred, being of larger proportional amount than the Chief Engineer is competent to sanction, I beg to submit the same for the orders of Government.

Letter from Lieutenant H. L. PRENDERGAST, Acting Garrison Engineer; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 18th September 1858, No. 313.

SIR,

With reference to your Resolution No. 880, dated the 5th June 1858, I have the honor to forward Plan and Estimate with Abstract, amounting to Rupees (16,800) sixteen thousand and eight hundred, for re-modelling the roof of the Accountant General's Office, and to report in continuation of my letter No. 77 of the 2nd June, that a part of the roof is now in that state, that it has been necessary to give it support. The inner cornices have been further giving way; there has been leakage to a slight extent, and from the present appearance of the terrace, the cracks in which have been spreading throughout, the leakage must become very considerable, in the event of a severe monsoon.

2. There are some of the joists on, in good preservation, but which will not be suitable for the new roof: it will be of advantage to sell them hereafter, rather than to cut them up to smaller dimensions, as in the latter case there will be a large amount of wastage.

3. The building is altogether in an unsound state for the approaching monsoon, and at the request of the Accountant General, I have made a report to him to that effect, which I have no doubt has been forwarded to Government. The works required are so extensive, that some months must be given for their execution.

Referred to the Financial Department for consideration.

(A true Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Financial Department, with Estimate and Plan.

No 6969

The Govr approves of the proposed repairs to the Building occupied as the Acctt Genl's Offices, estimated at Rupees 16,800 - and directs that orders be issued in the Public Works Department for their execution -

Fort St George
25 October 1858

To the Public Works Dept with Plan & Estimate
Acctt Genl - with Sec's letter of 21st Inst.
Recd 28th

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Extract Minute Consultation in the Public Works Dept. 2130.

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R 2470.
1 Plan and Estimate
25 spare copies.

Referring for consideration a copy of a letter from the Offg Chief Engineer submitting a Plan and Estimate amtg to Rs 16,800 for remodelling the roof of the Accountant Genl's Office.

Wm Oram

Dspt Letter to Engr 11th March No 40 of 1859 Para 17 -

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