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Ecclesiastical (1899) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 103

DATED 12 - 9 - 99.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Declining, with remarks, to sanction a grant-in-aid towards the repairs of the Saint Francis Xavier church at Pallavaram, and requesting the priest-in-charge of that church to submit bills to the Executive Engineer of the Chingleput Division for the amount due ~~to it~~ on acct. of compensation for sitting provided in it for soldiers so that the amount of the bills may be set-off against the sum irregularly spent by Govt. on repairs to that church in 1891.

BACK PAPERS.

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Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 428

From The Rt. Rev. Bishop Barroso

No. 303

Dated 17th December 1898.

Received ---------do -------

Registered -------do -------

Enclosures one

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Forwarding for consideration and disposal by His Excellency the Governor certain copies of correspondence held with the Military Authorities regarding some concessions wanted on behalf of the Church of St.Francis Xavier at Pallavaram.

Endt:-No.256 d/25-1-99.

Referred to the Public Works Department, for favour of report whether, with advertence ~~of~~ to G.O.No.1196 W dated 2nd May 1887, compensation for sittings provided for British troops in St.Francis Xavier's church Pallavaram, is still annually paid by Government; also whether, as stated by the Rev.J.J.L.Pais in para 3 of his letter of the 24th February 1898, the church has recently been repaired by Government.

(Signed) G. Stokes
Chief Secretary.

[P. W. 29.
2,000—15-39-9.]

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EXAMINER,
P. W. ACCOUNTS
18 MAR 1899

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No.
9 - FEB. 1899
V. CIRCLE, P. W. D., MADRAS.

Pallavaram
24th February 1898

From
The Revd. J. J. L. Pais,
Priest in Charge of the R. C. Church
of St. Francis Xavier,
Pallavaram.

To
Lieut Col. J. G. Proudfoot,
Commandant E. A. V. Coy. & N. I. Depot
Pallavaram.

Sir

I have the honor to submit for your favorable consideration and recommendation the following:—

1. That while the Catholic Veterans of the Corps under your Command are provided with neither Church nor a Chaplain by Government, their fellow Veterans of the Church of England are provided with both.

2 Accordingly the Catholic Veterans aforesaid have been worshipping in the Church of St. Francis Xavier at Pallavaram, which is the property of the diocese of Mylapore, and are ministered to by me, a priest paid by the same diocese of Mylapore.

3 As a sort of compensation indeed, Government from time to time repairs the said Church of St. Francis Xavier, as it has recently done: but in a manner altogether inadequate for the due performance of Divine Worship, according to the rites of the Church of Rome.

4 For, whereas, in dealing with Roman Catholic Churches which are Government property, Government very wisely recognizes that not alone is the material

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material edifices subject to deterioration, but also the furniture, utensils, and vestments needed by such Churches, and accordingly provides for their repair as well, as also for their being replaced as occasion may require; in the case of the Pallavaram Church, only, the material edifice is repaired.

5. As a result, the cost of repairing and of replacing the said utensils and vestments is thrown on the Roman Catholic Veterans, mainly, and these, I beg to point out, are hardly in a position to bear the burden.

6. I accordingly trust that you will be so good as to see justice done to these old soldiers, who deserve so well of their Country, in this matter.

7. I would further add that not alone, is it the Catholic Veterans who worship in the aforesaid Church, and are ministered to, by me, free of cost to Government, but also the effective soldiers, who for six months in the year, are stationed at Pallavaram, Company by Company, in rotation for their annual Course of Musketry. On behalf of these, as well, I would ask that the repairs to the Pallavaram Church be executed not partially, as has been done, but thoroughly, so as to include its furniture, utensils, and vestments.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most obedient Servant,
(Sd) J. J. L. Pares,
Priest in Charge.

P.S.

I herewith attach a nominal roll of the Catholic Veterans, as also the wives and Children of those deceased, and others now under my charge, as well as a list of the utensils and vestments in need of.

Pallavaram
25° Feb. 1898

No: 81 M II

To
The Assist: Adjt. General
Madras District.

Forwarded for favorable consideration and strongly recommended

(Sgd) J. G. Proudfoot Lt. Col.
Comnd:, Pallavaram.

III

No: 941.B
To
The O.C. Pallavaram

Please state if seats are reserved for troops and military officers on duty with troops; also how many does the Church seat.

Does Govt: pay any rent for accommodation
2. reserved ?

(By order)
(Sgd) J. C. Vowell. Major
Offg Assist: Adjt. General,
Madras District.

Fort St: George
19° March 1983.

Nominal Roll of the Veterans and the widows of the late soldiers including the Catholic Pensioners of Pallavaram who attend Divine Service at St. Francis Xavier's Church

Sergt: Major + Mrs: Foran	(E. A. V. Co:)
Bombr: + Mrs: Smith..	(do)
Do ___ F. King....	(do)
Gunner + Mrs Brennon..	(do)
Captain French + family	(do)
Mrs: Falvey + Children..	(Widow)
Gunner P. Gernon + Family	(17th Brde: R. A. Pd.)
Sergt: Harvey + Family...	(Pensioned)
Mrs: M. Daly.	(Widow, E. A. V. C)
Mrs: M. Williams	(Widow. do)
Mrs: C. Fennel	(Widow. do)
Mrs: C. Middleton + Family	
Mrs: J. Day	
Mrs: Kenny	(Widow do)
Mrs: Love	(Widow do)
Mrs: Hynes	(Widow do)
Mr: R. Hayman	(Pr. Police Dr.)
Mrs: Maher + Family	
Mrs: Sullivan	
Mrs: Mahony	
Mrs: Conway	(Widow. E. A. V. C)
Mrs: Starr	
Mrs: Corbet	
Pr. Drum Major Lamb + Family	
______ do ___ Glazy + Family	
Pr. Drummer Chalke + Family	

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List of Requirements mentioned in the Petition attache

1. Missale Romanum (Latin Missale)
2. Four Branched Candelabra (Electroplated Gothic Pattern)
3. Twentyone Kneeling stools + Cushions
4. One white Chasuble, stole, Maniple, veil + Box
5. One Red ______ do ______
6. One Purple ______ do ______
7. One Black ______ do ______
8 One Green ______ do ______
9. One White Cope ______
10. One Black do ______
11. One Purple do ______
12. Three Linen Albs ______
13. Six Linen Altar Towels ______
14. Three Linen Cords ______
15. One Carpet for Altar steps ______

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to Ltr. no. 180/99

IV

No: 114.

To

The Offg Assistant Adjutant General
Madras District.

Seats are reserved for troops and Military officers on duty with troops. The Church seats eighty (80) in the centre aisle, and (12) in each side aisle.

2. The Government pays no rent for accommodation reserved.

3. The seats were originally placed in the Church for military expressly; and a Chaplain was entertained at Government expense. To the best of my knowledge, the allowance to the Chaplain was discontinued in 1882 or 1883; but the Mission did not withdraw the military seats; although the allowance ceased; the reason being, that, first the veterans continued residing at Pallavaram and attending the Church as usual; as also did all troops who at all times were sent here from time to time on various duties, Such as Musketry and Military training. In Consideration of which, Government repaired the Edifice in 1889 and likewise the Church yard wall, (which surrounds the Church Compound), in 1894 or 1895 but the seats have not been attended to since 1890.

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Pallavaram }
21st March 1898 }. (Sgd) J. G. Proudfoot Lt: Col:
Commanding, Pallavaram.

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No: 1272 B.

To
The O. C. Pallavaram
Returned

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A list

2. A list of articles of Service required should be prepared (on half sheet foolscap) in accordance with nomenclature given in Clause 5 Rule XXIV appendix K, Govt: of India P. W. D Code Volume I (1894), signed by the Priest in Charge and Countersigned by the Roman Catholic Bishop and forwarded to this office.

3. A Certificate as to the absolute necessity for the supply of the articles should be obtained from the Exec. Engineer P. W. D and attached to the list

4. Please note that the value of each article should be entered in the list and articles not specified in Clause 5, above quoted, should not be included.

5. Return requested

(By order)

(Sgd) J6. Powell Major
Offg assist: adjt. General
Madras District.

Fort St. George }
21st April 1898 }

List of articles of service required for the Roman Catholic Chapel at Pallavaram in accordance with nomenclature given in Clauses 4 & 5 Rule XXIV appendix K, Government of India, P. W. D Code volume I (1894)

No:	Articles	Amount Rs	As	Ps
A	One Book Stand	8	„	„
B	One Almirah for altar vestments &c at least 4 ft long by 2 ft. 5 inches broad	45	„	„
C	Three altar Chairs officiants and Assistants	36	„	„
D	One table and three Chairs for the vestry	24	„	„
E	One font and Cover	60	„	„
F	Seats & kneeling accommodation for the Congra:			
	Three officers per seat rupees five	15	„	„
	Three stool „ „ two	6	„	„
	Fifty soldiers „ „ „ Four	200	„	„
	„ Stool „ „ „ One	50	„	„
G	Altar table	45	„	„
	Forty four ft Communion rail at per running foot rupees four	176	„	„
I	One Pulpit	200	„	„
J	Thirtynine feet punkah per running foot rupees two	78	„	„
L	Apparatus for lightning per 53 seats	53	„	„
M	One bell as in (K) Clause I	5	„	„
N	Chicks or bamboo blinds for doors & windows	10	„	„
O	Matting &c	25	„	„
(1)	One tabernacle inside Covered with silk	150	„	„
(2)	One pix with silver Cup inside gilt	100	„	„

No	Articles	Amount Rs	As	P
(3)	One Chalice	100	"	"
(4)	One Remonstrance	180	"	"
(5)	Six altar candle sticks and Crucifix	180	"	"
(6)	Two cruets and one plate	60	"	"
(7)	One altar lamp	30	"	"
(8)	One Missal	25	"	"
(9)	Altar Cannons (one set of three)	8	"	"
(10)	Altar vestiments of silk (five sets of the five col: rs)	300	"	"
(11)	Two copes one white + one black of silk	120	"	"
(12)	Humeral for benediction	30	"	"
(13)	Altar linen, comprising albs, altar covers, Communion cloth &c	80	"	"
	Total Rs	2352	"	"

Rupees Two thousand, three hundred and fifty two only

Pallavaram }
13th May 1898 }
(Sgd) J. J. L. Paes
Roman Catholic Priest

(Sgd) J. Mines. V. G.
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VI

To
The Roman Catholic Priest
Pallavaram.

No. 179

Forwarded for information and favor of compliance

The copies of rules have been applied for. to the Executive Engineer P. W. D. Madras on receipt, the same will be forwarded

Pallavaram }
23rd April 1898 }
(Sgd) J. G. Proudfoot. Lt: Col:
Commanding, Pallavaram

VII

To
The Officer Commanding
Pallavaram.

Complied with and retransmitted with the list called for in minute V duly countersigned by the Bishop of Mylapore. I beg to state that the articles of service mentioned in nomenclature given in Clause 4 Rule XXIV appendix K, Govt: of India P. W. D Code Volume I (1894) are also required for the use of the Chapel, which I request were omitted in my original application.

(Sgd) J. J. L. Paes
Roman Catholic Priest

VIII

To
The Executive Engineer
Chingleput Division, Madras.

No: 216

Forwarded for information and favor of compliance with reference to para 3 of minute V and to the additions made in the preceding minute 2. Return requested

Pallavaram }
14th May 1898 }
(Sgd) J. G. Proudfoot. Lt: Col:
Commanding, Pallavaram

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Public Works Code - Vol: I

Appendix K. Rule XXV

Rule XXV — The Executive Engineer will be guided, in granting the certificates alluded to in Clauses 2 and 5 of rule XXIV, by the following principles

Class I, Churches built by Govt —
The certificate should state that the Church was built by Government for the use of European troops or European British-born subjects in the service of Government, or of State Railway Servants, and is still maintained for the same purpose.

Class II, Churches which have received building grant from Government. — The certificates should state that the Church received a building grant of Rs —— equal to the —— part of the total cost of the building, and that the grant was made on account of European troops or European British-born subjects in the service of Government or of State Railway Servants, and that the building is still used by them. For this class of Churches a proportion of the standard cost of the articles of service will be sanctioned equal to the proportion of the grant-in-aid to the total cost of the building itself.

Class III, Churches rented by Government and Government buildings temporarily set apart as Churches. The certificate should state that the building is wholly rented by Government or is a Government building temporarily set apart as a Church for use of European troops or European British-born subjects in the service of Government or of State Railway Servants.

Note — The required certificates should afford information as to when the article was originally supplied, and by whom, and the reason for recommending its renewal. When, however, the Government pay for the use of a certain varying number of seats in a Church, the hire of the seats should include everything necessary for the performance of the service.

True Extract. J. E. Paul 16/7/98
(Sgd) J. E. Paul
Executive Engineer

IX

No: 155 M.

P.W.D. Chingleput Divisional office
Madras, 16th July 1898.

From
J. E. Paul Esquire
Executive Engineer, Chingleput Division.

To
The Commanding officer
E. A.V. Coy. & M. I. Depôt, Pallavaram

7. Enclosures
1. Commanding officer's No: 216 of 17-5-98 with its 5. enclosures
1. Extract of Rule XXV

Sir

With reference to your No. 216 of 17-5-98 I have the honor to forward you Rule XXV of appendix K P.W. Code from which you will see that I am prohibited from giving the certificate asked for as neither the Roman Catholic church nor chapel falls under either of the three classes of Churches for which an Executive Engineer is permitted to give certificates for the supply of Church furniture or articles.—

I have the honor to be Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Sgd) J. E. Paul
Executive Engineer

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Pallavaram
19th August 1898.

From
The Revd: J. J. L. Paes –
Priest in charge of the R. C. Church
of St: Francis Xavier,
Pallavaram

To
Lieut: Col: J. G. Proudfoot
Commandant C. A. V. Coy: & M. I. Dep
Pallavaram

Sir

Referring to my letter dated "Pallavaram 24th February 1898" I have the honor to submit for your further favorable consideration the following.

1. In paragraph 1 of my letter, I stated, that "the church of St: Francis Xavier at Pallavaram is the property of the diocese of Mylapore."

(b) From a certificate, however, since obtained from Archbishop Colgan of Madras dated 30th July 1898, I find that the said Church at Pallavaram was virtually made the property of Government by the late Dr. Fennelly in a letter of his Lordship to Government, Rev. Department dated 24th June 1844 No: 1724.

(c) I would therefore have paragraph 2. of my letter of the 24th February 1898, read thus – the Church of St: Francis Xavier at Pallavaram should virtually be regarded in the absence of any document to the contrary the property of the diocese of Mylapore.

2. The Priest in Charge of St: Francis Xavier's Church at Pallavaram received from Government an allowance

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of Rs 50 a month in 1847, as stated in Archbishop – Colgan's certificate aforementioned; and I infer from the same certificate that till the 31st July 1883, the R. C. Chaplain of Pallavaram received from Government the usual allowance granted to other Chaplaincies of the like rank or class. I further state on equally reliable authority, that the R. C. Chaplain received from Government an allowance of Rs 160 a month from 1873 till 1877, and that a higher allowance was granted the Chaplain, till the Chaplaincy ceased in 1883.

3. During the incumbency of the Revd: J. Eyers as R. C. Chaplain of Pallavaram, 1873, 1877 bishop J. Fennelly received from Government an allowance, in favor of the said St. Francis Xavier's Church at Pallavaram, for vestments and other articles necessary for Divine service.

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4. In 1848, March 17th Government sanctioned Rs 800 towards the said St: Francis Xavier's Church, Pallavaram for building purposes, and, in 1876 a further sum of Rs 369-8-5, was alloted to it.

5. Archbishop Colgan distinctly states in his certificate of the 30th July 1898, – "The Government allowance for sittings was first drawn by the Madras Mission, and has been drawn by the Mylapore Mission since 1887."

6. I shall herein forward you a extract of Archbishop Colgan's certificate aforementioned.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Sd) J. J. L. Paes
Priest in Charge.

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XI

To

The Executive Engineer,
Chingleput Division
Madras

No: 363

Resubmitted for favor of reconsideration, should any objection still be raised, the application may be forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General, Madras District.

Pallavaram
20th August 1898.

(Sgd) J. G. Proudfoot Lt: Col:
Commanding, Pallavaram

No: 228 P.W.
Forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General
Madras District.
(Sgd) J. E. Paul 4/9/98
Ex Engineer Chingleput Division

Catholic Cathedral, Madras, 30th July 1898.

Certified that the following, Para, 4, of the Right Revd: S. Fennelly's letter dated 27th June 1879, to the Chief Secretary to Government, is a true copy. Also that a Government allowance of Rs 50 was drawn by the Priest in charge of St Francis Xavier's Church Pallavaram, from April 1847. The Government allowance to the Chaplain at Pallavaram ceased on the 31st July 1883. Also that the Government allowance for sittings was first drawn by the Madras mission and has been drawn by the Mylapore mission since 1887.

"4 The Church of St. Francis Xavier at Pallavaram. This church was built by the Catholic mission of Madras in 1839 for the accommodation of a small native Congregation at a cost of Rs 1300 — on the location of the E. A. V. Co: at Pallavaram in 1847, the little native church was found too small to accommodate them, on the application of the late Dr: Fennelly, Government sanctioned on the 17th March 1848 Rs 800 to enlarge the church. The church was repaired in 1876 at a cost of Rs 970 of which the Government paid Rs 369-8-5 the balance Rs 600-7-7 being paid by me. I have no objection to see this church to continue to be governed by the orders of Government P.W. Dept. dated 26th June 1874 No: 1727" (Signed) J. Colgan, Archbishop of Madras.

True copy

No: 2414B

IV

To

The Officer Commanding
Pallavaram.

Please intimate the average number of Veterans and effective details who attended the Roman Catholic Church mentioned in this correspondence, for the year ending 31st March 1898.

2. Military pensioners and widows should not be included

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(By order).

(Sgd) G. M. Jackson Captain
For Assist: Adjt General
Madras District.

~~Fort St. George~~
13th September 1898.

III

To

The Officer Commanding
Pallavaram.

The average number of veterans and effective details who attended the Roman Catholic Church for the year ending 31st March 1898 is as follows.

	Veterans		Women
E. A. V. Co:	4	–	4
	Men		Women
2nd B. W. Regiment	15	–	0
M. I. Depôt	4	–	4

Pallavaram
16th Septr: 1898.

(Sgd) J. J. L. Paes
Roman Catholic Priest

IV

To

The Assistant Adjutant General
Madras District
Fort St: George

No. 417

Forwarded

Pallavaram
17th September 1898 } (Sgd) J. G. Brantfoot Lt. Col:
Commanding, Pallavaram

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No: 2475 B.

To

The Dy Adjutant General
Madras Command
Ootacamund.

Forwarded

2. The church in question does not come under the provisions of Rule XXV of Appendix K. P. W. D. Code, page 497.

3. Only a company of the Welsh is at Pallavaram at a time for musketry and field training and for quite half the year there are no British troops at Pallavaram beyond the few remaining old men of the Veteran Company.

4. I fail to see sufficient reason to recommend the application as a special case

Fort St: George
19th Septr: 1898 }.

Brigdr: General
Commanding
Madras Distt:
C. W. E.

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No: $\frac{B}{C\,15595}$

Ootacamund
25th Septr: 1898.

G. O. C. Madras Dist:

Re-enclosed

2. The supply of the articles required is not admissible under existing regulations, and the Major General Commanding the forces does not see any good grounds for treating the application as a special case

By order
(Sgd) D. Aville
Colonel
A. R. M. G. for D of G.

Staff
Received
30th Septr 1898.

VII

No: 2668 B.

To

The O. C. Pallavaram

Forwarded for information and favor of communication to the Revd: J. J. L. Paes, Priest in Charge of the R. C Church of St. Francis Xavier, Pallavaram.

(By order)

Fort St George }
1st Octr 1898 }.

(Sd) E. M. Lackum Capt:
for Assist: Adj: General
Madras District.

VIII

To

The Revd: J. J. L. Paes
Pallavaram.

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Pallavaram 3rd October 1898 } (Sgd) J. E. Proudfoot Col.
Commanding,
Pallavaram

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To

The Officer Commanding
Pallavaram.

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(Sgd) V. J. L. Paes
R-C Chaplain
Pallavaram.

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de
S. THOMÉ de MELIAPÔR
MADRASTA.
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No 303

EXAMINER P. W. ACCOUNTS.
18 MAR 1899

St. Thome, Mylapore, 17th December 1898.

From Right Rev. A. J. de S. Barroso,
Bishop of Mylapore.

To The Chief Secretary
Government of Madras.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
17 DEC. 18[illegible]

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
No. 2/1674
9 - FEB. 1899
V. CIRCLE, P. W. D.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit this my petition, and to solicit that you may be good enough to place it before His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras for his favorable consideration and final decision, and trust that His Excellency may be pleased to regard it as a special case.

2. I beg to attach hereto true copies of correspondence resulting from an application sent to the highest military authorities Madras Command shewing that my endeavours to obtain what is absolutely indispensable for the Roman Catholic Church at Pallavaram, have proved unsuccessful, (as finally decided by the Major General Commanding Madras Forces in his minute (VI B N. 15595 dated Ootacamund, 28th September 1898) at the end of the whole

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3. H.E. the Right Honorable the Governor in Council having absolute power to grant any concessions and to dispose of applications of a special nature, I confidently take the liberty of applying to him direct, this being an extreme case, so that His Excellency may be pleased to use his discretion so far in favor of my petition. I would add that I would not venture to approach H.E. troubling him with these numerous details, were I not compelled to do so through absolute necessity.

4. With profound apologies for permitting myself the liberty of taking up His Excellency's valuable time in perusing these documents,

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

+ Antonio, Bishop of Mylapore

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Enclosure No. 6
to Eccl Cno 150/99

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Eccl Cno 428

NOTE FOR THE Asst Secy

From G.O. No 1196W d/ 2-5-87, it appears that compensation is paid for seats occupied by the troops in St. Francis Xavier's Church at Pallavaram –

Such compensation is paid under ~~[illegible]~~ Rules XXXIV et seq of Appendix K, Vol I, P.W. Code, in the case of churches which do not belong to Govt, but which are attended by troops – the rate is usually at Rs 3 per sitting per annum – no other allowance is made to non-governmental churches attended by troops, & the compensation for seats is supposed to cover all claims on account of repairs to the fabric & furniture of the Church

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In para 3 of his letter of 24-2-98. the Rev. J. J. L. Pais states that "Govt. from time to time repairs the said church of St. Francis Xavier as it has recently done". This statement requires verification, for there is no rule under which a church which receives compensation for seats can be repaired at the Govt. expense.

Proposed to refer the papers to the P.W. Dept., for report as to whether compensation for sittings is still paid, & whether it is true that the church has recently been repaired by Govt. Draft endt. on the current submitted.

20-1-99

C. S.

Please see the first letter in the orrespondence forwarded by he Bishop of Mylapore. The equest of the Rev. J. J. L. Pais hat the church at Pallaveram

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should be thoroughly repaired so as to include its furniture, utensils & ornaments has been refused by the military authorities & the Bishop therefore comes up to Govt. Submitted that the proposed reference to the P.W.D. may be made

28/1/99

Very well

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~~Public Works~~ (1899) Department.

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No. 380 dated 22nd April 1899.

From

The Examiner P.W. Accoun
Madras & Coo

~~Order~~ Endt.

Transferred to the Ecclesiastical Dept. with the following remarks:-

(i) No repairs have been carried out to St. Francis Xavier's Church, Palaveram, subsequent to those noticed in G.O. No. 643 W Dy 6th March, 1891, copy of which order was communicated to the Ecclesiastical Dept.

(ii) No bills for compensation for sittings have been passed since 1892. The total amount of the bills passed since the issue of G.O. No. 643 W, dated 6th March 1891, is Rs 433-8-0. There

No. 1178 B/A

Dated 17th April 1899.

Received } 18. 4. 99
Registered }

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SUBJECT.

St. Francis Xavier's Church Pallavaram —

Furnishing certain remar against the demand of Rs: 1,696/- as compensation for sittings in the —

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
24 APR 1899
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There were not paid, but were taken as a set off against the sum of Rs 1,696 irregularly spent on repairs to the Church.

A.L.K.
20.4.99

Col, R.E.

Ag. Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

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To

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18 MAR 1899

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No. 2196C
6 - MAR. 1899
V. CIRCLE, P.W.D., M.AS.

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Referred to the Supdg. Engr., V Circle, for report (1) whether any bills on account of compensation for seats provided in St. Francis Xavier's Church, Palaveram, have been received by him subsequent to that forwarded with his letter No. 371 W, dated th October, 1893.

(2) whether any repairs, subsequent to those noticed in G.O. No. 643W dated 6th March, 1891, have been carried out by the P.W.D.

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Colonel R.E.

Ag. Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

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From The Ecclesiastical Dept.

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SUBJECT.

St Francis Xavier's church Pallavaram,

Enquiring whether Compensation for settings provided for British troops in — is still an paid by Govt

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Referred to the Supdt Engr, V Circle, for report (1) whether any bills on account of compensation for seats provided in St Francis Xavier's Church, [illegible], have been received by him subsequent to that forwarded with his letter No 371 W dated 11th October 1893 & (2) whether any repairs subsequent to those referred in G.O. No 643 W dated 6th March 1891, have been [illegible]

St Francis Xavier's Church, [illegible]

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EXAMINER,
P. W. ACCOUNTS.
18 MAR 1899
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From J. E. Paul Esquire, Executive Engineer, Chingleput Division to the Supdt: Engineer, V. Circle dated Madras, 4th March 1899, No: 4567.

In returning herewith the papers received with your No: $\frac{69C.R}{C}$ of 16-2-99, I have the honour to refer you to this Office No: 2209 of 4th Oct: 1893, ×and to state that no bill for compensation for sittings has since been received, nor any repairs carried out, subsequent to those referred to in G.O. No: 643 W of 6-3-91.

×a bill for Rs 118-8-0 appears to have been presented in Octr 93 & this was sent to C for remarks with this Office No 3369C of 18.10.93. But this Office Note cannot be traced in C's Office & there is nothing to show what became of it. No other Encl: 7 bills were received subsequently.
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No. 166 W

Copy forwarded to the Chief Engineer P. W. D. with reference to his Endt. No: 834 C of 7-2-99 returned herewith with all its enclosures.

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Colonel R.E.
Supdt: Engineer,
V. Circle

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Public Works (1899) Department.

EXAMINER,
P. W. ACCOUNTS
18 MAR. 1899
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CURRENT No. ~~2234~~
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No: 1605 C of 16th March 99

From The Supdg. Engineer
5th Circle.

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No. 1664 W

To
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Dated 10/13 March 1899

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With reference to para 2 of G.O. No. 643 W of 6th March 1891, please report what is the amount of the demand now against this church.

Apparently no bill for compensation for sittings has been sanctioned subsequent to that passed in G.O. No 2892 W dated 17th October 1892.

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SUBJECT.

Compensation for sittings in St. Francis Xaviers Church Pallaveram —

States that no bill for — has been received —

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No: 1178 $\frac{B}{A}$ dated 17th April 1899.

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Against the demand of Rs: I,696/- referred to in para 2 of G.O.No.643 W dated 6th: March I89I, three bills amounting to Rs: 433-8-0 were passed as follows:-

I.	G.O.No. I468 W dated 29th: May I89I	Rs: I35-0-0
2.	G.O.No. 465 W - dated I5th: February I892	Rs: I66-8-0
3.	G.O.No. 2892 W - dated I7th: October I892	Rs: I32-0-0
		Rs: 433-8-0

2. The Sub Registers maintained in this office show that these bills were not paid but were apparently taken as a set off against the Rs: I,696/- to be made good. The amount apparently still due is therefore Rs: I,262-8-0. But the last sanction for compensation for sittings was recorded in G.O.No.2892 W dated I7th: October I892 more than six years ago and no other bills have been sanctioned. So that without knowing what further set off there may be it cannot be definitely stated what amount is still due by the church authorities.

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Eccles DEPARTMENT.

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C. No. 428 From the Rt. Rev. Bishop Barroes, No. 303, dated 17-12-1899.

" 150 " " Public Works Depart, " 38D, " 22-4-1899.

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These papers relate to a claim preferred through the Rt. Rev. Bishop Barroes, by the Priest in charge of the R. C. church of St. Francis Xavier at Pallavaram, not only to have the fabric of the Church repaired by Govt., but also to have the furniture utensils & vestments repaired or renewed at Govt. expense.

2. The history of the Church is as follows:- It was built by the

Catholic Mission of Madras in 1839 for a small native Congregation at a cost of Rs 1300. In 1848, it was enlarged to meet the requirements of the European Artillery Veteran Company, Govt. giving a grant of Rs. 800 for the purpose. In 1876, it was repaired at a cost of Rs. 970, out of which Govt. contributed Rs. 370. By G.O. No 1594 W, Public Works, dated 7.7.80 (para 7) it was brought under the rules regarding the grant of compensation for sittings provided for British soldiers, i.e., it was classed as a private Church, & annual payments were made, at so much per seat, for the highest number of seats occupied during the year by soldiers & their families. These rules will be found repeated in at page 18 of the appendix to G.O.

Page 3 of G.O. No 1848W d/ 14.7.79

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No 29 Eccl. dated 23.2.8 they apply to Non-Conform as well as to Roman Cathol Churches, and Churches so treated are entitled to no other aid from Govt. on account of repairs to the building or of renewal of furniture & vestments.

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3. In G.O. No 1816 W, dated 25th July 1881, Compensation for sittings provided for troops in the R.C. Church at Pallavaram, was granted with retrospective effect from May 1876, the date on which the last contribution for repairs was made. Compensation, at Rs. 3 per seat, was thereafter regularly drawn every year upto 1890, when it was discovered that the local Public Works officers had irregularly carried out repairs to the Church in 1889, at a cost of Rs 1696. This

Para 5 of G.O. No 3251W d/ 8.12.90

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breach of rules was noticed in G.O. No. 643 W dated 6.3.91, & it was ordered that the sum of Rs. 1696 unauthorisedly spent on repairs, should be recovered from the mission from the annual payments falling due on account of compensation for sittings provided for soldiers in the Church.

4. Bills for sittings were subsequently sanctioned as follows:—

G.O. No. 1465 W	d/ 29.5.91	...	Rs. 135-..-	W
" " 465 W	d/ 15.2.92	...	" 166-8-..	R
" " 2892 W	d/ 17.10.92	...	" 132-..-	A
		Total	Rs. 433-8-..	

These three sums were credited to Govt. as a set off against the debt of Rs 1696, leaving a sum of Rs. 1262-8-.. still due by the mission. No bills for sittings appear to have been submitted since 1892, & no further adjustments have been made against the outstanding debt. It is submitted that the local Public Works officer should have seen to the liquidation of the amount ~~due~~ still owing, by calling for bills for sittings as they fell due each year & by setting off the amount against the debt. This would have kept before the R.C. Mission the fact that Govt. was still making annual payments as compensation for sittings. The R.C. Priest at Pallavaram has apparently taken advantage of the circumstance that no adjustments have been made since 1892, to bring forward a claim against Govt. for repairs to the Church & its vestments.

5. In para 3 of his letter of 24.2.98, the Rev. J. J. L. Pais says, "As a sort of compensation indeed, Government from time to

in time repairs the said Church of St. Francis Xavier, as it has recently done". From inquiries in the P.W. Dept., it appears that no repairs to the Church have been carried out by Govt. since the completion of those of 1889. The Rev. Father Pais' "recently" must therefore refer to the repairs of ten years ago –

6. In document No. IV among the enclosures to the Rt. Rev. Barroso's petition, the Officer Commdg. Pallavaram says, "The Govt: pays no rent for accommodation reserved". This shows how the annual payments for sittings have been allowed to slip out of mind – In the same endorsement the Commdg. officer remarks further on that the Church yard wall (which surrounds the Church compound) was repaired by Govt: in

1894 or 1895. If this statement is correct, there has been a further unauthorised outlay on repairs, but the Ex. Engr. Chingleput division says distinctly in his letter of 4.3.99 that no repairs have been carried out since those of 1889. This matter apparently requires further investigation –

7. In document No. X among the enclosures, the Rev. J. J. L. Pais states in para 5, that the Govt. allce for sittings was first drawn by the Madras Mission, and then by the Mylapore Mission since 1887. From this it appears that the Church was transferred to the Mylapore Mission before the irregular outlay of Rs 1696 was incurred in 1889, & that mission should therefore be fully aware of the

rrangements ordered for the recovery of the amount, & it cannot plead ignorance as to why no actual money payments for sittings have been made since 1890.

8. The facts above set forth might be briefly stated to the Rt. Rev. Bishop Barross, so as to make it clear to him that the Church has no claim on Govt. for repairs to the edifice, furniture or vestments, & he might be asked to submit bills for compensation for sittings for the year ending 30.6.93 & for subsequent years to 30.6.99. The amount of these bills will be set off against the balance due on the ~~depts~~ debt of Rs 1696. After the amount has been liquidated, payments for sittings will go on annually as before. The P.W. Depts. might also

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be asked to inquire further into the alleged outlay on repairs to the Church wall in 1894 or 1895.

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H.O. No 1261
d/ 11th May 99.

No 815 D of 3 August. 1899.

The view taken in Para 4 of this note that it was the duty of the local P.W. Officers to have seen to the liquidation of the amount still owing, by calling for bills for sittings as they fell due each year, cannot be accepted. It is nowhere laid down that the Executive Engineer should write to the priest, or minister, of a Church which receives Compensation for Sittings, and ask him

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submit bills, if such bills are not received. In the present case, the bills were presented regularly down to 1892. The responsibility for the subsequent omission to do so rests with the priest in charge.

2. Further inquiry has been made into the alleged outlay on repairs to the Church Wall in 1894 or 1895, and it has been ascertained that no repairs have been carried out by the P.W.D. subsequent to those noticed in G.O. No: 643 W, dated 6' March 1891. But in January 1896, the Cemetery of this Church was white-washed by the Rev: Department at a cost of Rs 27.

J Bell
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To
The Ecclesiastical Dept. (u.o.)

This perhaps need not be noticed.

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Note.

With reference to the foregoing note by the P.W. Dept:, it is submitted that the ordinary rules cannot be expected to provide for a case of this kind. Pastors of Roman Catholic & Non Conformist Churches are paid by Govt. annually for sittings provided for British soldiers, & it is of course their duty to submit bills for compensation - If they do not submit them, it is their own look out, & it is not the duty of the P.W. Officers to call for the bills. In the present case, however, there was owing due to Govt: a debt of Rs 1696, caused by the irregular action of the P.W.D. officers, which was to be extinguished by crediting to Govt. annually the amount due for sittings provided for soldiers in the Pallavaram Church. It was surely the duty of the officers

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of Govt. to see to the liquidation of the debt by obtaining the annual bill & setting off the amount against the sum outstanding – Apparently no object will be gained by discussing the point further with the P. W. Dept.; & the case may now be disposed of by setting out the facts to the R. C. mission; showing it that it has no claim on Govt. for a grant-in-aid towards the repair of the Church, & telling it to submit bills for compensation for settings in arrears from 1892. After the debt has been extinguished, annual payments will go on regularly.

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Ecclesiastical DEPARTMENT.

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C, No. 424 From the Rt. Rev. Bishop Barroso, No. 303, dated 17.12.1898.

" 150 " " P. W. Dept., " 382, " 22.4.1899.

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To the P. W. Dept for C.L.

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G.O. No 1594 of 2-7-90 para 7.
" " 1816 of 25-7-81 para 2.

Issue:

H.E. the Govr. in Council observes that in the orders quoted in the margin, the Roman Catholic Church at Pallavoram was brought under the operation of the rules regulating the grant of compensation for settings provided for troops, and that, therefore No claim lies against Govt. for a grant-in-aid towards the repairs of the fabric, vestments or furniture of the Church.

Churches so treated are not entitled to any further aid from Govt.

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2. In G.O. No 643 W dated 6 March 1891, it was ordered that a sum of Rs. 1696 irregularly spent on repairs to the Church should be recovered from the annual payments falling due on account of Compensation for sittings provided in it for soldiers. Three bills, amounting in all to Rs. 433-8-0 were subsequently sanctioned and set off against the abovementioned sum of Rs 1696, leaving Rs. 1262-8 due to Govt.; but since the year 1892, no bills for compensation have been submitted. The Rev. J. J. L. Pais should now forward to the Ex. Engr Chingleput division, bills for compensation commencing with the year ending 30 June 1893, to be adjusted in accordance with the G.O. of 6 March

1891 above quoted. After the amount due to Govt. has been liquidated, annual payments for sittings will be regularly made on the presentation of bills.

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To the ~~Rt. Rev. A. J. de S. Barros D.D.~~ Very Rev. F Pera
Vicar-General in charge of the Diocese of San Thome Mylapore
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NOTE FOR THE H.C. Madras

This G.O. is addressed to the Very Rev. A. J. de S. Barroso, but I believe Dr Barroso has returned to Europe.

Please consult Mr D'Cruz as to who is now in charge of the St. Thomé Diocese, & alter the address accordingly before the G.O. is faired for issue.

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