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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	27-4-1938	

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 27th April 1858.

No. 15. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector of Prisons; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, dated 16th March 1858.

SIR,

Extract Minutes Consultation, 3rd March 1858, (Judicial Department, 280.)

Excess in.
Cuddalore. 95
Salem. 94
Cuddapah about. . . 100
Chittoor.
Nellore. 32
Combaconum. . . . 75

The Government having been pleased to approve the selection of the Red Hills as the site of the new Central Prison, I have the honor to state, that in the present crowded state of several of the Jails, it would be an advantage if temporary accommodation for 400 prisoners from the Jails of Nellore, Cuddapah, Salem, Chittoor and Cuddalore could be found.

2. Major Lawford informed me that the employment of Convict labor would very materially lessen the cost of the building to my Department. The gains of prisoners at Nellore in stone cutting are far in excess of the returns from any other description of labor, and if the Government would provide temporary accommodation for 400 or 500 prisoners, I believe the result would be exceedingly satisfactory.

3. Even if the Government should object to sanction an expenditure of labor on a work not sanctioned by the Supreme Government, the difficulty might be overcome by reserving the proceeds of the labor of the Convicts for sale or other disposal.

4. Should Government sanction this arrangement, Major Lawford would of course select his own Superintendent, and I would place the present Jemadar of Nellore, under whose superintendence the Convict labor at that station has been so successfully applied to stone cutting, under his orders.

I have not the accounts. 5. Major Lawford had the aid of Convicts in the erection of the Trinopoly Jail, and I would only beg the Government to refer to the actual relative cost and construction of this and the Honowar Prisons to enable it to decide on the advantage or otherwise of what I now propose.

6. At Honowar it is true prisoners were employed, but this only increases the difference of cost.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON; No. 535; dated 27th April 1858.

The Government defer the consideration of the step recommended by the Inspector of Prisons in the letter above recorded, until a site has been selected for the Central Jail proposed to be constructed at the Red Hills.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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No. 541.

From

The Inspector of Prisons

Dated 15th March 1858For Orders

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Prisons Dept 29th

J. P.

Judicial Department

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
dated 27 April 1858.

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from the Inspector of Prisons
(Here enter 16th March 58.)

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Copy to Inspector of Prisons. Disp^d 29th

Ex. Cons. 27th March.
Mineral 1858 Department

No. 535

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Dated 27th March/58-

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Mineral at the No.
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Upon the consideration of
the steps recommended by
the Committee of Finance
for providing for the
necessary accommodation
of about 100 or 150 persons
who may be employed
in cutting stone for the
Contract Mining, with the
view to have the
for the Contract Mining