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## Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 30.3.1860 D .

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No. 55. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 16th March 1860, No. 107.

I have the honor to request that the Government will be pleased to pay me the cost of a brick-field, opened at the desire of the District Engineer, immediately for the supply of bricks for the new Prison at this station, but, with the intention of its being taken over by the District Engineer for other work, which, at the time, he had been directed to undertake, as well as for general Government purposes.

2. My intention when I undertook the building was to make bricks and tiles in a field I had opened for my own use, but to which I had not then a good title. It was doubtful whether the supply of clay was sufficient and Mr. Fraser, District Engineer, thought I ought to open a new field of considerable extent for Government purposes and the cost of which he undertook to relieve me of on getting sanction for the work he had in hand.

3. As this work seems in abeyance and I may want money, I would beg the Government to relieve me of the cost. I have very nearly completed all the bricks I want, and as far as my own work is concerned shall close brick-making about the 15th April; the carts and most of, the cattle I should then sell for, probably, what they cost me, but the field, buildings, pug mills and other plant will remain on my hands.

4. The cost which I propose to recover is as follows :—

| | Rs. | A. | P. |
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| Opening field, forming hecks, sites for kilns, &c., cutting and forming about 3 miles of road, bridged, to the woods and for carrying out bricks, no charge being made for uncallowing, &c..... | 1,029 | 12 | 11 |
| Overseer's house 46′×17′ tiled, with 3 rooms (store and tool room, dwelling room (boarded floor) and Kitchen.)..... | 665 | 7 | 4 |
| Sheds, viz :— | | | |
| 1 Tile shed..... 120′×14′ | | | |
| 1 Bullock shed..... 50′×14′ | | | |
| Huts for drivers, &c..... | 538 | 9 | 0 |
| 4 Pug Mills @ 80 Rupees each..... | 320 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 Tables with pages and water troughs @ 5 Rupees each. | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 Heck barrows with cast iron wheels @ 14 Rupees each. | 84 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Rupees... | 2,667 | 13 | 3 |
| Deduct rent, 8 Annas per 1,000 bricks for 600,000.... | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| Balance for which sanction is solicited.....Rupees... | 2,367 | 13 | 3 |

5. It must be remarked that I do not include moulds, straw or tools available for other work which may be taken or not at their value.

No. 56. ORDER THEREON, 30th March 1860, No. 387.

Referred to the Chief Engineer in communication with the Collector of Coimbatore for his report and opinion as to the desirableness of taking over the brick-field referred to, for general Government purposes, and as to the payment of the several items mentioned by Mr. Rohde.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
*Chief Secretary.*

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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To
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