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Government of Madras.

*Judicial* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,  
1st February 1862.*

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No. 5. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 29th January 1862, No. 80.

*Communicating Judicial Proceedings of Government, No. 110, dated 25th instant, sanctioning the construction of certain Police Station Houses to the Chief Engineer for the issue of the necessary instructions by him in accordance with the above Proceedings.* } (Vide Proceedings Public Works Department, dated 29th January 1862, Nos. 157 and 158.)

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 1st February 1862, No. 157.

Communicated to the Inspector General of Police in reference to his letter of 15th ultimo, No. 91.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
Chief Secretary.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government.*  
*Read the following*

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Madras Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 15th January 1862, No. 91.

General Department.

In the Budget of 1861-62 Rupees 1,28,500 were provided for Police Station Houses and Huts.

2. A very small part of this sum has been expended up to this date.

3. Not only is the Official year drawing to a close, but the most urgent necessity exists for the erection of the necessary accommodation for the men at different Stations. I have the honor to solicit the authority of Government to commence building a certain number of Station Houses and Huts at once.

4. I have the honor to submit plans of Station Houses of two classes prepared in the Office of the Chief Engineer. They are well suited to the purpose required. And I beg to submit them for the approval of Government as standard plans, with such modification as may be necessary in particular Districts.

5. The cost of these Buildings has been estimated in the Chief Engineer's Office at rates varying, according to the circumstances of different Districts, from 1,680 Rupees (in Canara and Ganjam) to 2,700 Rupees (in Trichinopoly) for first class Station Houses; and at Rupees 980 (Canara) to 1,510 Rupees (in Trichinopoly) for second class Station Houses.

6. Very few first class Station Houses will be required; as second class Station Houses will meet all the requirements of most of our Police posts.

7. I propose that the Station Houses required in each District be built by the Department of Public Works; but that it be done gradually, a few being built each year. I request the sanction of Government for adopting this plan, and for preparing future Budgets accordingly. In anticipation of this approval, I have ventured to adopt this plan in framing the Budget of 1862-63.

8. An exact Statement of the requirements of each District cannot be prepared till the number of permanent Police Stations has been more carefully decided by experience. But I request the sanction of Government to build two second class Stations in each District from the funds already provided. Those places will be selected where they are most urgently required.

9. I propose that the hutting of men be likewise commenced at once. It is of urgent importance. At many posts the men are suffering severely from ill-health from the want of proper shelter. The inability to take their families with them to the scene of their duty detains many respectable men from entering the service, seriously affects the moral tone of the force and makes the Police unpopular amongst the Villagers with whom they are located.

10. I propose that the Hut of a Head Constable should nearly correspond to that of a *Harildar* in the Native Army; that of a Deputy Constable to that of a *Naig*; and that of a Constable to the Hut of a Private. They should be substantial useful structures and, where possible, tiled. I request the Order of Government to erect the required number at those stations where they are most urgently required. The plan proposed in paragraph 7, will apply likewise to these.

11. Rent should be charged to the men at a rate not exceeding 10 per cent. per annum on the value of the huts.

12. I request the instruction of Government to the Department of Public Works to carry out the construction of those huts at the places indicated by me with as little delay as possible. Care will be taken that the expenditure do not exceed the amount provided in the Budget Estimate of 1861-62, and huts will only be erected where accommodation is indispensable.

13. I append a Statement showing the sums provided under this head for the current and for next year.

Memorandum of sums provided in the Budget Estimates of 1861-62 and 1862-63, on account of Lodging and Building.

| Districts.         | For 1861-62. | 1862-63. |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|
| Ganjam.....        | 5,000        | 10,000   |
| Vizagapatam.....   | 12,000       | 12,000   |
| Godavery.....      | 6,000        | 10,000   |
| Krishna.....       | 5,000        | 6,000    |
| Nellore.....       | 5,000        | 8,000    |
| Madras.....        | 5,000        | 6,000    |
| North Arcot.....   | 10,000       | 12,000   |
| South Arcot.....   | 5,000        | 6,000    |
| Tanjore.....       | 10,000       | 10,000   |
| Trichinopoly.....  | 3,000        | 5,000    |
| Madura.....        | 5,000        | 8,000    |
| Tinnevely.....     | 3,000        | 6,000    |
| North Malabar..... | 5,000        | 6,000    |
| South Malabar..... | 3,000        | 4,000    |
| North Canara.....  | 7,500        | 8,000    |
| South Canara.....  | 5,000        | 6,000    |
| Coimbatore.....    | 6,000        | 10,000   |
| Salem.....         | 5,000        | 8,000    |
| Cuddapah.....      | 10,000       | 10,000   |
| Bellary.....       | 8,000        | 10,000   |
| Kurnool.....       | 5,000        | 6,000    |
| Total Rupees.....  | 1,28,500     | 1,67,000 |

CHIEF OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR  
GENERAL MADRAS POLICE,  
MADRAS,  
15th January 1862.

(Signed) W. ROBINSON,  
Inspector General of Madras Police.

ORDER THEREON, 25th January 1862, No. 110.

The Government approve the plans submitted for first and second class Police Station Houses.

2. The expense of construction on these standard plans, will range from Rupees 1,680 to 2,700 for first class Station Houses—and from Rupees 980 to 1,510 for those of the second class.

3. The Government sanction the immediate construction of two second class Police Station Houses in each district excepting North Canara.

4. For the reasons given in paragraph 9 of his letter, the building of "huts" for the force will also be proceeded with at once. They will be substantial tiled structures. In regard to the amount of accommodation to be provided, the Government approve of Mr. Robinson's proposal to rate Head Constables, Deputy Constables, and Constables respectively as Havildars, Naigues, and Privates in the Army.

5. The Inspector General suggests that rent for lodgings be charged to the men at a rate not exceeding 10 per cent. per annum on the value of the hut. This limit is approved.

6. These Proceedings will be communicated to the Public Works Department, in view to Orders being passed for the immediate construction of the Police Station Houses and Lines. Such expenditure as may be incurred during the current Official year will be charged against the amount Rupees 1,28,500 entered on that account in the Police Budget of 1861-62. In respect to the outlay for Police buildings in 1862-63, Orders have been already passed under date 14th instant, Financial Department, No. 41, paragraph 7.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) T. P. G. S. J.

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Police,  
Public Works Department,  
(with two plans.)

Order

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No 157 - 1<sup>st</sup> February 1862.  
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to this letter of 15<sup>th</sup> ultimo 1861.  
J. P.

To The Inspector General of Police Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>

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