

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
12th May 1864.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 108. Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department.

Sanctioning an estimate of Rupees 1200 for the re-construction of certain small bridges in Cochin, and observing that it will be ascertained from the Judicial Department whether arrangements can be made for locating a small body of convicts at Cochin for employment in cleansing the town, and in repairing the roads or other petty Maramut operations.

(Dated 13th April 1864, No. 1055.)

Referred to the Inspector General of Jails for report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
21st April 1864.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 109. From J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 25th April 1864, No. 720.

In acknowledging the Order of Government, Public Works Department, 13th April 1864, proposing the location of convicts for conservancy purposes at Cochin, I have the honor to state that, under existing rules, I question the practicability of conducting with economy the conservancy of a town by convict labor.

2. The Jail at Cochin now contains 38 prisoners and this number may without over-crowding be increased to 50, but 12 might on any day be committed and room for them must be reserved.

3. The prisoners at Cochin are available for any work in which they may be employed in a body.

4. None but prisoners shortly to be released could, with safety, be distributed in the streets of a town, and then an additional establishment would be needed to control them. It would hardly be worth-while to transfer prisoners shortly to be released.

5. Mr. Cullen mentioned to me when I was last at Cochin that he could not get the Department Public Works to undertake the repairs of the cells which are therefore untenable. I suggested a light roof over the whole of the cells: this will increase the accommodation.

No. 110. ORDER THEREON, 12th May 1864, No. 690.

Ordered that Mr. Rohde's letter be communicated to the Public Works Department, in reference to paragraph 3 of Proceedings of the 13th ultimo in that Department.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.
" Inspector General of Jails,

Exd. J. Talloch.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th April 1864.*

No. 334. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary
to Government, Department Public Works, dated Coonoor, 31st March 1864,
No. 367:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to submit for sanction and provision of the necessary funds an Estimate of Rupees 1,200, for re-construction of certain small bridges in Cochin, approved of by the Collector, and further advocated by the Joint Magistrate of the Town in a letter herewith transmitted. Cochin is a place of such considerable population and importance as to render desirable a good deal of attention to the state of its drainage and roads. Yet it is altogether unprovided for in the Public Works Establishment as now constituted; and the late removal of the European Thasildar, by whom the executive operations of our Department were conducted, having brought matters to a crisis, I take this opportunity of submitting an original letter on the subject from the Supervisor of Paulghaut Range.

2. Mr. Smither has three very large Taluqs under him, with three European Overseers fresh from the College, whom he has stimulated by his own good example, and personally assisted to carry on numerous works, both from Imperial and Local Funds, very much to the satisfaction of every one. But it will be impossible for him to attend to Cochin work effectually next year, more especially when the construction of a Light House is undertaken, for which the Plan and Estimate are now under preparation.

No. 335. ORDER THEREON, 13th April 1864, No. 1,055.

1. The Estimate of Rupees 1,200 for the re-construction of certain small bridges in Cochin is sanctioned from the Reserve.

2. The proposal to appoint an Overseer to the charge of works in Cochin will receive the consideration of Government.

3. It will be ascertained from the Judicial Department whether arrangements can be made for locating a small body of Convicts at Cochin for employment in cleansing the Town, and in repairing the roads or other petty Maramut operations.

(True Extract.)



Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

" Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.

" Accountant General.

" Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin

Inspector Genl. of works.

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers—

Pros: 13th April '64 N^o 1055. Pub: Wks: Dept.

Letter from the Inspector

Genl. of Sails—Inter 25 April '64 N^o 720.

Order—N^o 690 of 12th May 1864.

Ordered that Mr. Rohde's letter be communicated to the Pub: Wks: Dept. in reference to para 3 of Pros: of the 13th April '64 in that Dept.

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The Pub: Wks: Dept.

Inspector Genl. of Sails.

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to send Mr. Rohde's letter to the Pub: Wks: Dept.

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Referred to the Inspector General of Sails for report.

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Chief Secretary

Supreme Officer to be retained.

The Inspector General of Sails Order

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Dated 11. May 1862

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