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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

Judicial DEPARTMENT

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14th March 1872.

No. 87. Read the following letter from Captain T. WELDON, Magistrate of Police, Madras, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 4th March 1872, No. 38:—

I have the honour to submit, for the favourable consideration and sanction of Government, a supplementary approximate estimate, amounting to Rupees (8,000) eight thousand, for certain necessary work required to complete the new Police Court at Egmore.

2. No provision has as yet been made for matting.

3. There is no private entrance. At present there is but one entrance and staircase common to the public and the Magistrate. This is at the back, close to the cook-rooms, &c., and will be difficult of approach owing to the peculiar shape of the building. The inconvenience to visitors in having to elbow their way through the crowds of natives (not the most cleanly portion of the community) which always throng the passages would be very great, added to which, if the back passage is used as a private entrance, witnesses and others who may be in waiting will have no shelter from the sun or rain, whereas if, as proposed, a private staircase is fixed in the small verandah on the south or front side, the whole of the back passage at the rear of the building can be appropriated to the use of the public, who, then being placed between the two Courts can readily hear their names when called in either Court. If they are obliged to remain on the south side it will be almost impossible to find the parties when wanted, and when they are found they will have to walk right round the building to get into the Courts, the doors of which open on the north side.

4. One Court will be in the room on the east side. This is at present fully exposed to the glare and heat of the sun and to the north-east monsoon. During the monsoon it would be necessary to close the windows, thereby totally excluding the light. I trust Government will be pleased to sanction the erection of a verandah on the east side similar to that on the west side. Some protection is absolutely essential, otherwise the Court would, during the rains and hot weather, be uninhabitable. I also suggested to the Executive Engineer the advisability of fixing iron bars to the windows of the Court, with a view to affording greater security and also to allow of the Courts being freely ventilated during the night. At present, sometimes when the Courts are opened in the morning the stench of the pent-up foul air is most sickening.

5. I am aware that a considerable sum has already been expended in the purchase and repair of this building, and I would not again trouble Government were I not satisfied that the work now submitted for sanction is absolutely necessary.

6. I beg to solicit early orders may be issued to the Department of Public Works, as I am informed that if the erection of the verandah, &c., is sanctioned at once it can be done without materially interfering with the completion of the building within the time originally calculated.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
14th March 1872.*

No. 83. ORDER THEREON, 14th March 1872, No. 356.

The Government approve and sanction the estimate, amounting to Rupees 8,000, for certain additions which are necessary in connexion with the new Police Court at Egmore.

2. The charge for the Court having been provided from the grant for Civil Buildings "Provincial Services," the further outlay now required should be met from the same source.

3. If this cannot be done, and there is any possibility of the progress of the work being arrested for want of funds, the Government direct that a sum of Rupees 8,000 be transferred to the Public Works Department from the balance (Rupees 22,620) available from the sum of Rupees one lakh referred to in G. O. dated the 25th March 1870, No. 113, and No. 59 dated the 10th February 1872, Political.

(True Extract.)

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Magistrate of the Royapettah Police Court.
" Public Works Department, with plan and estimate.
" Assistant General.
" Financial Department.

Edw. A. S. Rodgers.

Madras. Royal Police Court
14th March 1872
No 38.
from
Captain J. Wilson
Magistrate of Police
Madras.

To
The Secretary to Government
Fort St George.
Sir

I have the honor to submit
for the favorable consideration and
sanction of Government, a supply
of military appointments. Estimate
amounting to Rs 7000/00. Eight
thousand for certain necessary
works required to complete the
new Police Court at Egmore.

2. No provision has as yet
been made for matting.
3. There is no private entrance
at present there is but one entrance
and staircase common to the public
and the Magistrate, and this is

at the back, close to the Court room,
and will be difficult of approach
owing to the peculiar shape of the
building. The inconvenience to
visitors in having to climb the stairs
way through the crowded galleries
and the great densely populated portion of
the community, which always
through the passage would be
very great, added to which if
the back passage is used as a
private entrance, witnesses and
others who may be in waiting
will have to stand in the open
air where they are exposed to
the sun and rain. In the small
vestibule at the back of the Court
room, the whole of the back
passage at the rear of the building
can be appropriated to the use
of the public, who, then being
placed between the two Courts
can readily hear their names
when called in either Court.
If the Court is obliged to remain on
the South side it will be almost
impossible

impossible to find the parties whom
wanted, and where they are found
they will have to wait right round
the building to get into the Court.
The doors of which open on the North
side.

4. One Court will be in the
room on the East side, this is
at present fully exposed to the
glare and heat of the sun, and
to the North East storm during
the season it would be necessary
to close the windows, thereby totally
excluding the light. I trust the
Committee will be pleased to sanction
the erection of a veranda on the
East side similar to that on the
West side. Some protection is
absolutely essential, otherwise
the Court would, during the summer
and hot weather, be uninhabitable.
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Executive Engineer the advisability
of fixing iron bars to the
windows of the Court with a view
to

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being ventilated during the
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when the Courts are opened
in the morning, the stench
of the place is quite air is
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considerable sum has already
been expended in the purchase
and repair of the building,
and I would not recommend
Government to accede to the
petition that the work com-
mitted for sanction is absolute-
ly necessary.

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may be issued to the Depart-
ment Public Works, as I am
informed, that, if the erection
of the Terandah is sanctioned
before it can be done without

materially interfering with the
completion of the building within
the time originally calculated.

I have the honor to be

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Your most obedient servant.

J. M. M.

Magistrate of Police.

Royapetta Police Court
4 March

My dear Mr. Carmichael

I want to see you for few
minutes to explain some
matters connected with the
new Police Court at Egmore
but I know how casual
visitors frequently arrive
most unfortunately to
interrupt a busy man's work
and therefore think it better
to ascertain beforehand when
it would be convenient for
me to call. Will not detain
you more than 5 or 6 minutes

Truly

J. Meldon

1858
June 1872 J. Meldon

14 May
J. Meldon
Rajapet Police Court

The Secretary to Court

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Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

From Captain T. Widdow
Magistrate of Police } R. P. 4. March 1872. N. 38.

Order thereon. 14. March 72 N. 356.

[Faint handwritten notes, possibly a marginalia or a separate entry, mentioning 'Capt. Widdow' and 'Magistrate of Police']

The Government
approve and sanction
the estimate amounting
to Rs. 8000, for certain
additions which are re-
quired in connexion
with the new Police Court
at Agumini.

[Handwritten signature or initials]

2. The charge for
the Court having been
provided for the sum
for Civil Buildings, Pro-
vincial Services; the for-
this outlay now requir-
ed should be met from
the

the same source.

3. If this cannot
be done, and there is
any possibility of the
progress of the work
being arrested for want
of funds, the Government
direct that a sum of
Rupees 8000 be trans-
ferred to the Public
Works Department and from
the balance (Rs 22620)
available from the issue
of Rs one lakh referred
to in L.O. of the 28 March
190. No 113. and No
50 - of the 10. Feb/12.
Political.

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To The Magistrate of the
Rajapet District
Public Works Department
Accountant General
Financial Dept.

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The Director of the British Museum
Natural History

Dated 21st May } 1872, Received
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which have been in possession
of the British Museum since
the year 1872 -