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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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No. 11. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 20th October 1857, No. 4785.

SIR,

The Travellers' Bungalow at Oolundoorpett on Trunk road No. 8 being one of those selected by the Board of Revenue for being furnished, and its occupation paid for by travellers, is in a very incomplete and inconvenient state, and an estimate of Rupees 900 has been submitted for its improvement by the construction of out-offices and two additional bath rooms.

2. The Collector, however, has proposed that instead of altering this building, a new Bungalow should be constructed and in this suggestion the Board of Revenue have expressed their concurrence.

3. The estimate for a new first class Bungalow, with the improvements lately ordered and furniture, amounts to Rupees 3,080.

4. Plans and estimates of both projects are herewith submitted in order that Government may decide on the one to be adopted, but I must state that under present circumstances I am doubtful about the propriety of recommending either to be entered in the Budget of 1858-59.

5. If, however, Government are inclined to allow the old Bungalow to be made over to the Public Works Department as an Overseer's house and store shed, in which respect it would be extremely useful, then the new Bungalow would be indispensably necessary.

6. The estimate for improving the old Bungalow does not include furniture and therefore a further sum of Rupees (79) seventy-nine will be required, should the Government be pleased to retain the present structure for the stipendiary accommodation of way-farers.

Letter from Lieutenant E. A. FOORD, District Engineer South Arcot; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Punrooty, 27th May 1857, No. 171.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward for your consideration an estimate of Rupees 900 for improvements to the Travellers' Bungalows at Tindevanum and Oolundoorpett on Trunk road No. 8.

2. The improvements comprise privies of a more convenient description, which were directed to be provided in Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 12th May 1857, and chunam baths which the Board of Revenue suggested should be built in lieu of wooden tubs which were to have been sent from Madras. In addition to the above, the estimate includes the cost of a new Cook room and Godown for the Oolundoorpett, Bungalow. There are no out offices at present in the compound, and those attached to the Soldiers shed are made to serve for the Bungalow also. But now that furniture and table requisites have been sent to the Bungalow and an establishment of servants provided for it, a separate building is necessary.

3. The Collector, as will be seen from his letter, considers the present Bungalow unfit for the accommodation of Travellers and recommends that a new one should be built on a more eligible site. The Bungalow is certainly old, it is situated much too near the village and the rooms very small. Till lately, the rooms had no windows and only two batten doors. The bath rooms were too small to be of any use, and were entered from the Verandah. Great improvements have been made this year. Venetian doors have been put up in the sitting room, the bath rooms have been enlarged, and windows fixed in the end walls. The Bungalow now affords tolerable accommodation, still, had I been aware at the time I made the estimate for the improvements that have just been carried out, that the Bungalow would be furnished and travellers made to pay for the accommodation, I would have proposed that a new Bungalow should be built on a more eligible site.

4. Should a new Bungalow be determined on there is no place in the district where one would be more generally useful, than at Oolundoorpet as so many roads meet there. The present building would, as the Collector suggests, be found very useful as an Overseers Bungalow or store shed, being nearly in the centre of the District.

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5. The Tindevanum Bungalow is unobjectionable as regards plan, and site, and is in good repair.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th August 1857, No. 2866

In Consultation 26th August 1857.

Read the following letter from A. HALL, Esquire, Collector of South Arcot; to J. D. SIM, Esquire, Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Cuddalore, 11th June 1857, No. 119.

SIR,

With reference to the accompanying copy of a letter from the District Engineer, No. 253, dated 9th Instant, and of its enclosure, I have the honor to submit the Plan* and Estimate* alluded to for making certain alterations and improvements to the Travellers' Bungalows at Tindevanum and Oolundoorpett in this District at an estimated outlay of 900 Rupees.

Extract from Proceedings of Chief Engineer, No. 9130, dated 23rd December 1856.
* * to be returned.

2. I beg at the same time to forward the correspondence,† as per margin, in view to enable the Board to form their opinion on the expediency or otherwise of the proposed repairs being executed.

† From District Engineer to Chief Engineer, No. 171, dated 27th May 1857.
From Collector to District Engineer, No. 250, dated 31st March 1857.

3. The additions to the Bungalows have been planned in pursuance of the orders contained in Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, No. 183, dated 19th February 1857, received with Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 892 of the 18th March and agreeably to Para. 3 of your letter dated 12th May, No. 1540.

4. Under the circumstances, no further explanation seems called for from me than that which is afforded by the documents sent herewith.

5. I have however to express it as my opinion that it will be better at once to erect a more commodious Bungalow at Oolundoorpet as I suggested in my letter of the 31st March last to the District Engineer, than to attempt to enlarge and repair the present building.

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1. With the above letter the Collector submits Plan and estimate for certain repairs and alterations in the Travellers' Bungalows at Tindevanum and Oolundoorpett, as proposed by the District Engineer.

2. He at the same time expresses an opinion that the present Bungalow at the latter place is unfit for the accommodation of Travellers, and recommends that, instead of the old building being repaired and enlarged, a new one should be erected upon a more eligible site.

3. The District Engineer also remarks that had he known at the time he framed his estimate that the Bungalow was to be supplied with furniture and servants, he would have made the same proposal.

4. The Board concur in thinking that this course is the best and looking to the extent to which the Bungalow is made use of by Travellers and its central position in the District, they would recommend the erection of a commodious building in a position which shall be free from the objections which attach to the present site. The old Bungalow might either be taken down or retained if required for any purpose in the Engineer Department.

5. They also support the District Engineer's estimate for the additions and improvements in the Tindevanum Bungalow.

6. With the foregoing remarks and suggestions, the Board transfer the papers to the Chief Engineer for his disposal.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) L. FORBES,
Acting Sub Secretary.

Letter from Lieutenant E. A. FOORD, District Engineer, South Arcot; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Cuddalore, 14th October 1857, No. 313.

SIR,

As requested in Extract from your Proceedings, dated the 8th September 1857, No. 3548, I have the honor to forward a Plan and estimate the latter amounting to Rupees 3,000 for a Travellers' Bungalow at Oolundoorpett. The first class standard Plan has been adopted, with the addition of chunam baths and the other conveniences that have been recently ordered to be provided for Travellers' Bungalows.

Letter from A. HALL, Esq., Collector of South Arcot; to Lieutenant E. A. FOORD, District Engineer, South Arcot, dated Camp Oolundoorpett, 31st March 1857, No. 250.

SIR,

I have the honor to propose that a new Travellers' Bungalow should be built at Oolundoorpett in the Talook of Ellavanasore instead of the present inconvenient one, which is in many respects extremely ill adapted for the purpose for which it is intended.

2. It might be converted, by a little alteration, into a house for an Overseer or into a shed for the Engineer's Department, for either of which it seems to me to be well suited, but it is certainly not fit for the accommodation of Travellers. The situation of it is moreover very objectionable being on low ground, in an outskirt of the village, and without any proper enclosure.

3. The Board of Revenue have recently directed that the Bungalow in question should be furnished for Travellers and that servants should be entertained at it, but it really seems to me to be such a miserable place that it is impracticable to put the furniture into it.

4. It would be a great Public convenience if a good Bungalow was erected on a better site and with more accommodation than the present one which in addition to being on a bad Plan, is very old although lately repaired.

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, No. 2180; dated 25th November 1857.

To enable the Government to come to a decision on the subject of the foregoing letter, the Chief Engineer is requested to obtain from the Collector of South Arcot, a return of the number of Travellers that occupied the present public Bungalow at Oolundoorpett during each of the last five years.

2. The cost of the first class Traveller's Bungalow proposed to be constructed in lieu of the present inconvenient building is estimated at Rupees 3,080 while such accommodation has generally been provided for at an outlay of about Rupees 2,000, which is the amount sanctioned by the Honorable Court for the erection of Public Bungalows. No explanation being offered in regard to the higher estimate in the present case, sanction must for the present be withheld.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Central Office of Pw
Fort St. George
29 October 1857

No. 4785

From The Chief Engineer
To The Secretary to Government Pw.D

Public.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the orders of Government the accompanying plan and estimate for the erection of a Travellers' Bungalow at Polumdoorpett on Trunk Road No. 8 being one of those selected by the Board of Revenue for being furnished, and its occupation paid for by travellers, in a very incomplete and inconvenient state, and an estimate of Rupees 900 has been submitted for its improvement by the construction of out offices and two additional bath rooms.

(Encl. 9)

2. The Collector, however, has proposed that instead of altering the building, a new bungalow should be constructed and in this suggestion the Board of Revenue have expressed their concurrence.

3. The estimate for a new

new first class bungalow, with the improvements lately ordered and furniture, amounts to Rupees 3000.-

4. Plans and Estimates of both projects are herewith submitted in order that Government may decide on the one to be adopted, but I must state that under present circumstances I am doubtful about the propriety of recommending either to be entered in the Budget of 1858/59.

5. If, however, Government are inclined to allow the old bungalow to be made over to the Public Works Department as an Overseers house and Store shed, in which respect it would be extremely useful, then the new bungalow would be indispensably necessary,

6. The estimate for improving the old bungalow does not include furniture and therefore a further sum of Rupees 79/ Seventy nine will be required, Should the Government be pleased to retain the present structure for the Superintending accommodation of way-farers.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obt. Servt

Fort St George
29 October 1857.

W.E. Lieut Colonel
Chief Engr

S.E.S. Circle

To
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D

Copies

Buildings ( ) (New Work)

Abstract of Estimate № of 185 /5

District. South Arcot

(Work. Improving) the (undermentioned Public Buildings

Quantities	Description of Work.	Rate. Rs.	a.	p.	Amount. Rupees.	Amount of each part. Rupees.
C. Yds.						
	Improving Travellers Bun- galow at Columdoorpett.					
1172	Cft. of Brick in Chunam ——— Cft.	"	1	4	98	
225	Sqft. of Roofing Velanadu with Palmirah rafters Reepers 3 Courses of Flatteles & Plastering with Chunam ——— Sqft.	16	"	"	36	
108	Sqft. of Paving with Square Bricks Sqft.	4	8	"	5	
	4 Doors ——— Each	10	"	"	40	
	Excavating foundation & filling &c.	"	"	"	10	
	Sundries including fastening for the doors &c.	"	"	"	31	
						220
	Constructing Cut Offices at Coloondoorpett-					
3045	Cft. of Bricks in Chunam ——— Cft.	"	1	4	254	
354	Sqft. Paving with wall bricks ——— Sqft.	1	8	"	5	
676	do of Roofing with Palmirah rafters Reepers Flatteles & Chunam — borders &c. ——— Square	16	"	"	108	
	Excavating foundation and filling the Basement ———	"	"	"	10	
	Carried Over —				377	220

Estimate Rupees 597

Recommended by

Executive Engineer

Approved by

Superintending Engineer

Sanctioned by

Chief Engineer

Rupees 597

Estimate Rupees 2180. 2 8 Plus 3

Subscribed for the Assistant Executive Engineer

Certificate

I certify that I have personally examined the Buildings mentioned in the Abstract of Estimate hereunto annexed, and that the Estimate is framed according to the Rules in force for the Public Buildings.

Executive Engineer

Certificate

I certify that I have personally examined the Buildings mentioned in the Abstract of Estimate hereunto annexed, and that the Estimate is framed according to the Rules in force for the Public Buildings.

Executive Engineer

Quantities.	Descriptions of Work.	Rates. Rs.	As.	P.	Amount. Rupees.	Amounts of each parts Rupees
C. Yds.						
	Brought Cost				377	220
	2 Doors ——— Each	12	"	"	24	
6	Cft. of Teakwood for Braces Summer ——— Cft.	2	8	-	15	
	2 Windows ——— Each	8	-	-	16	
	Sundries ———				28	460
	Improving Trankies Bungalow at Tindevanum. Chunam baths and Improved Privies for the Tindevanum Bungalow ———	"	-	-		220
	Total Rupees					900

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George,
29th October, 1857.

Lieut Colonel
Chief Engineer P.W.

Enclosure

In a letter

From,

The Chief Engineer
Dt/1/

To

The Secretary to Govt.
Dt/1/

Dated 29th October 1857
Recvd

No 4785
DW 2138/57

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Abstract Estimate for Improving Colundorpett & Tindevenum Travellers Bungalow in the District of South Arcot

Amounting to Comps Rupees 900 - -

Buildings ( ) (New Work)

Abstract of Estimate No of 185/5

District South Arcot

Work Constructing Travellers Bungalow & Out Offices at Colundorepett

Quantities.	Description of work	Rate. Rs	A.	P.	Amount. Rupees.	Amount of each part. Rupees.
C. Yds						
900	Cft. of Brick in Chunam & Plastering Cft.	"	1	6	850	
2160	Sqft. Flooring with Qin cft. bricks in Chunam ——— Sqft.	1	8	-	111	
3285	Sqft. Roofing with Palmirah Rafters Reepers Flat Mantles ½ ——— Sqft.	18	"	-	591	
36⅛	Cft. Sealwood ——— Cft.	2	8	"	90	
1	Pairs of Sealwood Venetian Doors Each	35	"	-	110	
2	do of do Batten Doors ——— Each	25	"	-	50	
6	do of Doors ——— Each	20	"	-	120	
6	do Sealwood Venetian windows ——— do	25	"	-	150	
2	do do Windows for bath rooms ——— do	20	"	-	40	
2	do Windows for Privy ——— Each	10	"	-	20	
	Excavating foundation & filling the basements ———	"	"	-	40	
						2,202
	Out Offices					
3561	Cft. of Brick in Chunam & Plastering Cft.	"	1	6	331	
712	Sqft. of Flooring with bricks fully in Chunam Earthen ——— Sqft.	2	"	-	14	
	Carried Over				348	2202

Quantities	Description of work	Rate.			Amount.	Amount of each part.
C. Yds		Rs	A.	P.	Rupees.	Rupees.
	Brought Over				3118	2202
1331/4	Sft. Roofing with Palmirah rafters Tessiers & Spanish tiles &c — Sft.		16	"	211	
7	C/ft. Teakwood Breastsummers — C/ft.	2	8	"	17	
	3 Pairs of Teakwood Batten Doors — Each	16	"	"	48	
	Excavating foundation & filling the basement —				20	
						617
	Furniture					
	1 Common Table (with Mangowood) —				10	
	24 Rft. of Mango Shelves — Each	"	6	"	6	
	2 Teakwood Tables — Each	15	"	"	30	
	6 Chairs — do	3	"	"	18	
	2 Small Tables in bath room — do	7	8	"	15	
						79
	Sundries —				152	152
	Total Company's Rupees —					3080

Central Office 1st Nov.
Fort Saint George,
29th October, 1857.

A. Fraser Colonel
Chief Engineer D. 1st Div.

Enclosure

In a letter

From.

The Chief Engineer
F.P.W.

To,

The Secretary to Govt
F.P.W.

Dated 29th October 1857
Received
PWD 2138/57

No. 4785

Abstract Estimate for Constructing a new Travellers Bungalow and Out Offices at Colundoorpett in the District of South Arcot.

Amounting to Company's Rs. 3080-

Public Works Department

No. 2180

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 25th November 1857

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer

Here enter 29th October 1857 No. 4785

To enable the Government to come to a decision on the subject of the foregoing letter, the Chief Engineer is requested to obtain from the Collector of South Arcot, a return of the number of travellers that occupied the present public bungalow at Colundoorpett during each of the last five years.—

The cost of the proposed first class travellers bungalow in lieu of the present inconvenient building is estimated at Rs. 3,080; which is

while such accommodation has generally been provided for at an outlay of about Rupees 2000, which is the amount sanctioned by the Honorable Court for the erection of Public bungalows. No explanation being offered in regard to the higher estimate in the present case, sanction must for the present be withheld.

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Requesting the Chief Engineer to obtain from the Collector of South Arcot a return of the number of Travellers that occupied the present public Bungalow at Colundoorpett during each of the last 5 years and for reasons stated withholding sanction to the proposed new Bungalows for the present.

No 1842.

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