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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 1st December 1857.

Read the following Report from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 2nd June 1857, No. 863.

No. 58. Report C, on an estimate, for constructing an Overseers shed, and forming a Nursery in each of the seven Talooks, of the Madura District amounting to Rupees (4,690) four thousand six hundred and ninety.

The above estimate contains the following items.

For first forming the Nurseries	1,190
For building Overseers sheds	700
Annual charges for the first 4 years	2,800
Total Rupees ...	4,690

2. The estimates, for the Nurseries, provide for purchasing and enclosing a piece of ground for each Nursery for the excavation of a new well, or for the repair of an old one as the case may be, for setting up a pecottah, erecting a gardiners shed, and for the purchase of garden pots.

3. The estimate for a store shed, provides for the construction of a single room, 15 feet, by 9 feet, enclosed by a verandah.

4. The estimates are, if any thing, too low, but for work of this description there are not sufficient data in the Central Office, to allow of the preparation of fresh ones, the District Engineer, seems confident of their sufficiency, and it is not likely that they will be greatly exceeded, except in the Items, for the purchase of land: these all appear too small, as it is not likely, that very poor land, will answer the purpose of a Nursery: about this Item however, it is impossible for the Chief Engineer to report with certainty, and he prefers leaving the estimate as forwarded by the District Engineer, in the hopes, that Officer will prove, as successful as he anticipates in his choice of rates for these works to adding amounts, which will probably be spent, as a natural result of their being entered in the estimates.

5. The Collector has expressed his doubts, as to the sufficiency, of the allowance for land, but at present, the matter is as above observed, necessarily in doubt.

6. The amount for which sanction is now requested, is Rupees (4690) four thousand, six hundred and ninety and is recommended for entry in the Budget of 1858-59.

Letter from Lieutenant C. SCOTT, District Engineer of Madura; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Madura, 8th April 1857, No. 187.

Sir,

I have the honor herewith to forward an estimate for the formation of Nursery in each of the 7 Talooks of the Madura District together with an Overseer's shed adjoining each Nursery.

2. The estimate has been prepared in accordance with the form circulated with your Extract Proceeding No. 3854, of the 24th December 1855, which is the only order upon the subject existing among the records of my office.

	Rs.
3. The total amount of the estimate is.	4,690
Or for first forming the Nurseries.	1,190
For building Overseers sheds.	700
Annual charges for the first 4 years...	2,800
Total Rupees.....	4,690

4. In the absence of any instructions as to the size of the Nurseries I have supposed each to cover 2 Cawnies of land, for although this is much more than is required for raising 2000 trees

in pots, I am anxious to grow as many young Jungle trees as possible in addition to the Avenue trees, which might when arrived at a proper size be planted in suitable places such as the upper margins of large Tanks &c., and left to propagate themselves, if they succeed in doing so it will be a great advantage to several of the Talooks, where there is at present no jungle whatever, and in consequence great difficulty in procuring firewood, is experienced.

5. To such an extent is this want felt in the Mandacolum Thiroomungalum and Mayloor Talooks, that much I have regretted it I have been obliged to procure permission to cut down every tree on every abandoned line of road that could be found, in order to supply the brick and Chunam Kilns for the small number of buildings now under erection.

6. In consequence of so much ground being taken for each Nursery the item for purchasing ground, may, in the opinion of the Collector a copy of whose letter on the subject I enclose exceed the amount of the estimate, I should however hope that this will not be the case to any great extent, as land for the required purpose can be had in the Tadicomboo Iyempully and Thenkurray Talooks for next to nothing and the surplus of estimate in those Talooks can be applied to the use of less fortunate ones.

7. I must say however that I think it will be most extortionate on the part of the owners of the land in any case to charge more than the sums I have named as all the sites selected are on waste ground that has remained uncultivated for years.

Letter from R. J. SULLIVAN, Esq., Acting Collector; to Lieutenant C. SCOTT, District Engineer of Madura, dated 4th April 1857, No. 359.

SIR,

* Together with a Plan and estimate for constructing Storeshed.

In returning with my Signature the detailed and Abstract* estimates for constructing Nurseries in this District, I have the honor to observe that I doubt whether the prices for grounds entered therein are adequate and in case we find it difficult to purchase the latter at the prices included in the estimate I think it will be necessary to submit an additional estimate for the purpose.

No. 59. ORDER THEREON, No. 2199; dated 28th November 1857.

1. With this Report, the Chief Engineer forwards an Estimate for forming a Nursery in each of the seven Talooks of the Madura District and constructing an Overseer's shed adjoining each Nursery. The cost of these works is estimated as under.

Forming 7 Nurseries at Rupees 170 each		1,190
Constructing 7 Overseer's sheds at Rupees 100 each		700
Annual Charges as follows.		
Repairs to Overseer's Shed	Rupees 10	
Do to Wall, &c	„ 7	
New Garden Pots	„ 20	
1 Gardener's Pay at 3 Rupees	„ 36	
1 Water woman's do. at 2 Rupees	„ 24	
For one Year...	97	
For 4 Years	388	
Present to Gardeners at the end of 4 Years	12	
Charges for each Nursery and Shed for 4 Years	400	
For 7 Nurseries and Sheds at	400 each.	2,800
Total Rs...		4,690

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2. In respect to the first* and second† items under the head of Annual charges, the Government observe that they have already‡ intimated to the Chief Engineer that it was not usual or necessary to grant any fixed annual sum for the repair of individual buildings, and that the Sheds and Nurseries could not need repair in the very year in which they are built. The Chief Engineer was at the same time desired to see that such items do not appear in future Estimates for similar buildings; but these orders have not been attended to, and the present Estimate has been sent in to Government just as it was received from the District Engineer. Deducting the two items in question amounting together to Rupees 17, the Estimate will be reduced to Rupees (4,673) four thousand, six hundred and seventy-three, which the Government are pleased to sanction, but they direct that only so much of the amount as is to be expended during one year be entered in the Budget of 1858-59 as follows:

	Rs.
* Repairs to Overseer's Shed	10
† Do. to Wall &c.	7
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‡ E. M. C. 18th September 1856, No. 1682, para. 3.
Do. 10th November 1856, No. 2087, para. 3.

Constructing 7 Overseer's Sheds at 100 Rupees	700
Forming 7 Nurseries at 170 Rupees	1,190
Charges for 1858-59 for 7 Nurseries at Rupees 80 each	560
Total	2,450

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

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Report on an Estimate, for constructing an Overseers shed, and forming a Nursery in each of the seven Talooks of the Madura District amounting to Rupees /4690/ four thousand Six hundred, and Ninety:-

Madura District

The above Estimate contains

Public Nurseries

the following items;

For first forming the Nurseries	1190-"-"
For building Overseers sheds	700-"-"
Annual charges for the first 4 years	2800-"-"
Total Rupees	4690-"-"

2. The Estimates for the nurseries provide for purchasing and enclosing a piece of ground for each nursery for the excavation of a new well, or for the repair of an old one as the case may be, for setting up a Pecottah, erecting a Gardiners shed, and for the purchase of Garden pots.-

3. The Estimate for an store shed, provides for the construction of a single room, 15 feet by 9 feet enclosed by a verandah.-

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4 The Estimates are, if any thing, too low, but for work of this description there are not sufficient data in the Central Office, to allow of the preparation of Estimates, the District Engineer, seems confident of their sufficiency, and it is not likely that they will be greatly exceeded, except in the items, for the purchase of land: these all appear to small, as it is not likely that very poor land, will answer the purpose of a nursery: about this item however, it is impossible for the Chief Engineer to report with certainty, and he prefers leaving the Estimate as forwarded by the District Engineer, in the hopes, that Officer will prove, as successful as he anticipates, in his choice of sites for these works, to a saving amounts, which will probably be spent, as a natural result of their being entered in the Estimates.-

5. The Collector has expressed his doubts, as to the sufficiency of the allowance for land, but at present, the matter is as above observed, necessarily in doubt.-

6. The amount for which sanction is now requested, is Rs/46900/ four thousand, six hundred, and ninety, and is recommended for entry in the

the Budget of 1858/59.-

Central Office 4th Fort St. George 2nd June 1857

To the Acting Secy to Govt. P.W.D.

Lt. Colonel Chief Engr

List of accompanying Papers

1. Letter No. 1878/18 A.G/57 from the Dy Sr of Madras C1
1. Do No. 359 of the 4th A.G/57 from the Ag Chief of Madras C2
1. Abstract Estimate of Rs 46900 C3.
1. Plan of proposed Structure C4.

Lt. Colonel Engrs

Public Works Depart.

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No. 299

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 28th November 1857.

Read the following Report

from the Chief Engineer.

(Here enter 2nd June 1857 No. 860 C)

With this Report the Chief Engineer forwards an Estimate for forming a Nursery in each of the seven Talooks of the Madura District and constructing an Overseer's shed adjoining each Nursery. The cost of these works is estimated as under.

Forming 7 Nurseries @ Rs 170 each		1190
Constructing 7 Overseer's Sheds @ Rs 100 each		700
Annual Charges as follows.		
Repairs to Overseer's shed Rs	10	
Do to Wall Rs	7	
New Garden Tools	20	
1 Gardener's Pay @ 3 Rs	36	
1 Waterwoman's Do @ 2 Rs	24	
For one Year	97	
For 4 Years	388	
Present to Gardeners at the end of 4 years	12	
Charges for each Nursery and Shed for 4 Years	400	
For 7 Nurseries and Sheds at Rs 400 each		2800
	Total	4690

Public Works Depart.

Dated 2nd June 1857

Rec'd 4th

4 Enclos: returned 23d April

No. 863

No. 2199. 28th Nov.

To

Forwards for Sanction and entry in the Budget of 1858/59 an Estimate of Rs 4,690/ four thousand six hundred and ninety, for Constructing an Overseer's shed and forming a Nursery in each of the seven Talooks of the Madura District.

No. 58.

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* Repairs to Overseer's Shed. Rs 10
* do to Wall &c &c " 7
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† Ctr. 18 Sep 1856 No 1682 f 3.
do 10 Nov. do " 2087 f 3.

will be reduced to Rs (4673) Four thousand six hundred and seventy three, which the Government are pleased to sanction, but they direct that only so much of the amount as is to be expended during one year be entered in the Budget of 1858/59 as follows.

Constructing 7 Overseers Sheds @ 100 Rs	—	700
Forming 7 Nurseries @ 170 Rs	—	1,190
Charges for 1858/59 for 7 Nurseries as Rs aforesaid	—	560
		2,450

Copies to the Chief Engr.
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Public Works 1857 Deptt.
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No 2199.

Extract Mins of Govt:
Dt 28th Nov. 57.

From Chief Engineer
Dt 30 March 59 C no 767 in
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Sanctioning for entry in the Budget of 1858/59 the Estimate amounting to Rupees 2,450 for constructing an Overseer's Shed and forming a Nursery in each of the 7 Talooks of Madura.

No 58+59.

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