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No. 39. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 20th August 1858, No. 3030.

SIR,

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1640, dated 16th August 1858, I have the honor to state that my proposal to improve the European Barracks at Poonamallee was founded on the belief that the construction of new buildings there or at Avady would either be indefinitely postponed, or finally abandoned, as I now find has been done.

E. M. C. 24th July 1858, No. 1441.

2. If Poonamallee is to be retained as a Depôt Station for European Troops, the Barracks ought certainly to be either re-built or improved, and seeing that Government have lately incurred an expense of more than 16,000 Rupees for re-building the temporary Barracks at Trichinopoly, I do not think it advisable to delay the present improvement of the permanent buildings at Poonamallee.

3. I take this opportunity of stating that I have also proposed the improvement of the Poonamallee Hospital, a work still more required if any thing than that of the Barracks, but owing to the delay of the District Engineer in furnishing some explanations I called for, the Estimate has not yet been submitted, but I have now the honor to lay it before Government.

4. The amount is Rupees 22,200, and it is very desirable that the work should be executed simultaneously with the Barracks and that both should be finished as soon after the North-East monsoon as possible, being now too late to commence them sooner.

5. If Government should determine on constructing new buildings for a European Depôt of course these improvements would not be necessary, but they ought not to be indefinitely postponed as the present buildings are decidedly not fit for occupation by European Troops.

6. The Estimate now submitted has been reduced in this Office by Rupees 1,530, as the District Engineer has failed to afford the explanations called for regarding the rates allowed by him.

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, No. 1800; dated 3rd September 1858.

* E. M. C. 15th May 1858, No. 929 P. W. D.
Do. 1st June „ „ 1951 M. D.
Do. 30th „ „ „ 1235 P. W. D.
† To Government of India, 30th June 1858, No. 1236.
From do do 19th July „ „ 3375.
E. M. C. 16th August 1858, No. 1640.

Referred to the Military Department for consideration with reference to the orders noted in the margin.* The further correspondence† that has taken place in this Department respecting the Barracks will, at the same time be communicated to the Military Department.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Central Office of P.W.D.
Fort Saint George
20 August 1868

No. 3030

From

The Officiating Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Sir —

Subsidiary

Enclosures
2 Abstract Estimates
1 Plan

Rec.d M.C 24th July 1868
No 1641

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1640, dated 16th August 1868, I have the honor to state that my proposal to improve the European Barracks at Poonamallee was grounded on the belief that the construction of new Bungalows there on at once would either be indefinitely postponed, or finally abandoned; as I knew that no Troops had been ordered

2 If Poonamallee is to be rebuilt as a Depôt Station for European Troops, the Barracks ought certainly to be either rebuilt or improved; and seeing that Government have lately incurred an expense of more than 16,000 Rupees for rebuilding the Temporary Barracks at Trichinopoly, I do not think it advisable to delay the present improvement of the permanent Buildings at Poonamallee.—

3 I take this opportunity of stating that I have also proposed the improvement of the Poonamallee Hospital, a work still more required if any thing than that of the Barracks, but owing to the delay of the District Engineer in furnishing some explanations I called for, the estimate

I have &c
(Signed) W. J. Mobbs Lt
Officiating Chief Engineer

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estimates has not yet been submitted, but I have now the honor to lay it before Government.-

4. The amount is Rupees 22,200, and it is very desirable that the works should be executed simultaneously with the Barracks and that both should be finished as soon after the North East Monsoon as possible, being now too late to commence them sooner.-

If Government should determine on constructing new Buildings for a European Regiment of course these improvements would not be necessary, but they might not be completed previous to the present Buildings being decidedly not fit for occupation by European Troops.-

6 The Estimate now submitted has been reduced in this Office by Rupees 1530. as the District Engineer has failed to afford the explanations called for regarding the rates allowed by him.-

Central Office of P.W. I have the honor to be
Fort Saint George Sir
20 August 1858 Your Most Obedient Servant

Lieut

L Lawford Lt. Engr
Officiating Chief Engineer

Improvements
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Military Department

Building

Abstract of Estimate No 1 of 1858/59

for Brick Chunam Shingle Hut

Class Communities Village Communities West

Work & &c. The proposed Alterations to be made to the Ranges of Buildings

in the Fort of Concanancy

Section A.B

Quantities	Description of Work	Rate	Amount	Amount East & West
1036	Cubic yards of Brick in chunam	2 11	2979	
	Do Do Do including Coolies	6	~~60~~	
119	Do Do Do	2	1169	
550	Squares of Plastering with 2 coats of chunam	2 ~~4~~	~~1147~~	
782	Running feet of Cornice work around the verandah	3 11	1147	
~~1561~~	~~Do Do Do the former wall around the~~	~~3~~	~~290~~	
	Do Do around the main wall	4	184	
737	Do around the main wall	~~5~~	~~320~~	
135	Squares of paving with 8 Inches square bricks in chunam with a course of wall bricks & chunam underneath	5 8	743	
99	Do of Roofing with Calingapatam couplies Jack rafters Laths & Cadjan tiles and chunam border	20	1980	
86	Do of Fencing with Lath on edge 3 Inches Jelly 3 courses of Lath tiles and 3 coats of chunam	18	1548	
84	Do Do summers average length 10 ft 6 to each	9 6	788	
	10 x 9x 6	2	2100	
672	Joists average length 6 ft 6 each 10 x 6x 3	3 8	~~2352~~	
60	Ventilators windows	7	420	
60	Tie beams.	~~8~~	~~480~~	
	~~Cocoanut for 24 Huts~~	1	~~8550~~	
	~~Do Do Establishment~~		~~570~~	
	~~Carpenters~~		~~570~~	
	Sundry Charges Watchmen Coolies &c as detailed Abstract		1449 11	
	~~Total~~ Total Estimate Rupees		~~15700~~	
	Deduct for 176 Squares of removing the old materials to be used in Auction	4	704	
	Remaining Estimate Rupees for Sanction		~~15000~~ 14996	

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Asst to Chief Engr

Mem/ 1858 Exd & Sd
for Secretary

Dist Engr

Military Department

Improvements

Building

Abstract of Estimate dt 2-4-1858/59

Work for the proposed Alterations to be made to the Store occupied of Buildings in the Fort of Comaumallee.

Section C. 8.

Fort Comaumallee, Village Comaumallee

Quantities	Particulars of Work.	Rate	Amount Each Item
375	Cubic Yards of Brick in Chunam	2 14 -	1078 -
311	Square of Flooring with 2 coats of Chunam including the removal of old Planks	2 - -	661 -
108	Sq.r Paving with 8 inches of Bricks in Chunam with a course of wall bricks in Chunam underneath	5 8 -	594 -
95	Sq.r of roofing with Palmyra country teakreshes Coats of Plank and Cam tiles and Chunam borders	20 - -	1900 -
85	Sq.r of Bengal roof for verandah with teakrafter 3 cutcha Plank tiles & 2 coats of Chunam	14 - -	1190 -
613	Running feet of Cornice work for the main wall	- 4 -	153 -
524	Scale partings each 18 - x - 6 x 2 - 3	4 4 -	2227 -
50	Centre Venetian windows	7 - -	350 -
25	Sq.r beams	6 - -	150 -
	Extra Establishments	400	413
	Add deficiencies Estimated at about 15 p.cent		37
	Total Estimate Rupees		9116 -
	Deduction to be made for 15th Square of Old Materials to be sold in Auction	4 - -	616 -
	Remaining Estimate Rupees for Sanction		8500 -

29 April 1858

Asstt Executive Engineer

Divisional Engineer & Superintt

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To Genl 20 Aug 58 No 3853

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Dft to Court Sept 1st
Nº 1628

From
The Officiating Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Dated 20
Read } Augt 21 1858

Nº 3030

Secy Mo transmitted 21-8-58

Copy of Govt Order in the Mily Depart
Dft 14th Sept 58 & 2183 in Engr
Cashiano Asst to

Recommending it to be retained
as a Depot Station for European
Troops, the improvement of the
permanent Barracks should not
be delayed and recommends
that certain embrasures &c
the Hospital at that Station
may be prosecuted simultaneously
with the Barracks

Military order
Nº 1800 3d September 1858.

Nº 1800

Referred to the Military
Department for consideration with
Genl C. 15th May 1858 Nº 29 P.D. Reference to the
Do 1st June — 1951 In D. orders noted in
Do 30th — — 1235 P.D. the margin.

The further correspondence that has
taken place in this Department
respecting the Barracks will, at the
same time be communicated to
the Military Department.

To Govt of India 30th June 1858 Nº 1236.
From — do — 19 July — — 3375.
Genl C. 16th August — — 1610

Fort Saint George
3d September 1858

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