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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th February 1864.*

No. 530. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Educational Department:—

Sanctioning the disbursement of an additional sum of Rupees 66 from the Educational Building Fund for re-laying the plastering on the terrace of the Dindigul School House, Madura District. } (Here enter 15th February 1864, No. 52.)

No. 531. ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1864, No. 567.

1. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, for information and guidance.

2. The Government cannot but regard with much dissatisfaction the faulty construction of the Dindigul Taluq School House as reported by the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, in his letter to the Director of Public Instruction, No. 1,026, dated 2nd November 1863. Looking however to the length of time which has elapsed since the commencement of the work and the changes which have occurred in the Executive Staff of the Madura District, and seeing that the Superintending Engineer is unable to fix the responsibility in connection with the irregularities brought to notice upon any particular Officer, His Excellency in Council considers it unnecessary to press the matter further.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.

- „ Accountant General.
- „ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
- „ Educational Department.

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No. 1026 Sup^y Engineer's Office 8th Division.
Madras 2nd November 1862. 3D

From

The Superintending Engineer
8th Division.

To,
The Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

Sir,

1 I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your No. 1984 of 29th September with its enclosure. - profs of work has till now prevented me from inspecting the School at Dindigul.

2 I regret that I can say very little in its favour. the design is in my humble opinion bad. the amount of the cost was limited. part of the building was omitted to bring it within that limit, but the rates allowed for the remainder were so low that it was utterly impossible to expect good materials or good workmanship.

3 Moreover there have been changes among the executive officers and agents, so that it is difficult to apportion the responsibility. In the belief that you propose to submit the subject to Government, I will state the history of the building taking the opportunity however of urging the advisability of your Department Officers bringing to notice immediately any such defaults as Mr. Hardell has pointed out month at least after they occurred.

4 A plan for a school was forwarded by Colonel Peers then Inspector. with a fixed sum Rupees 2,200 as the amount available. Captain Paston omitted one side of the quadrangle of which it consisted. and framed an estimate for the remainder.

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5 While in progress it was found that beams of stone could not be procured suited for the pillars as proposed in the plans. with the assent of the Deputy Chief Engineer they were changed to brick columns. on the 28th May 1862, the District Engineer Mr. Harrington who was also at the time in Executive charge, proposed to make the beams larger than the Estimate allowed. this was sanctioned by the Deputy Chief Engineer on the 13th June 1862.

6. About this time, a correspondence took place between Colonel Peers and Mr. Harrington relative to the brick pillars, which occupied space and darkened the rooms. they were therefore entirely omitted. it is probable that it was in consequence of their increased length, that Mr. Harrington acted to increase the scantling of the beams. but it is strange that neither in his letter nor in the reply of the Deputy Chief Engineer is there any mention of this change in the plan. the judiciousness of which I fully concur in. I cannot find traces of the orders which Mr. Marden alludes to in para 6.

7. The alteration of plan however rendered useless the small beams which had been prepared, agreeably to sanctioned plan and Estimate.

8. I cannot understand Mr. Marden's remarks as to the cutting of large beams in two - we cannot procure wood at all in the market, and are obliged to work it as we best can from the forest. if the overseer could have foreseen the changes which were made, he would probably not have cut up the wood. but in his proceedings as to preparing all the beams &c. I submit that he was fully justified by the sanctioned plan and Estimate.

9. That L. sold the wood is true, and the matter has been

been attended to by Lieut. Cunningham, but I fear that it will not be easy to recover the Rupees 38 lost by his act which I have ordered Lieut. Cunningham to endeavour to do, as the Sub Overseer's connection with the Department has ceased.

10. I regret to have to report that Mr. Marden is quite right in his remarks as to the crack in the parties and the quantity of the wood. I am told that the former has not increased in some months, and may stand very well owing to the tenacity of the Chumam. the bricks are exceedingly bad, but better could not be got for the money.

11. The wood which is fully large enough, was so green that owing to the last rain every beam and joist has visibly sagged and caused a considerable leaking over the whole roof. as I said before wood is not procurable in the market Government will not permit our keeping any in store to season. the consequence is that we are obliged to cut it as we want it, and it is impossible to expect that it shall do the work of seasoned wood. I propose now to leave the building as it stands till after the rains which have set in, and then to forward an Estimate for taking up the jelly over the terracing and for relaying it at a proper slope; trusting that in the meanwhile all the wood will have sunk down to its permanent position.

12. This will be an addition to the supplement Estimate which I originally sent.

I have &c.
Signed J. J. Moberly R.E.
Superintending Engineer 8th Division.
[True Copy].

J. Moberly Captain R.E.
Superintending Engineer 8th Division

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 Work. For taking off & relaying the plastering on the
 terrace of the School house at Dindigul.

Quantities	Description of work	Rate	Amount
2061 1/2	Square feet. Picking up plastering over the Terrace at	7	9
2061 1/2	D. Plastering over the Terrace with 3 coats of Chumam	2	16
	Scaffolding & Sundries		10
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	<u>Total amount of Estimate 66 ..</u>		

Supg Engineer's office
 8 Division Madurai
 29 January 1864

Hubert Captain
 R. L.
 Supg Engineer & D.

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Enclosure in a letter from
 the Superintending Engineer
 8 Division to the Secretary
 Government D.O. No. 16 dated
 29 January 1864. No. 1739

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Report on the Dindigul
 Taluk School house with
 reference to letter No. 1984
 of the 29 September 1863
 from the Director of
 Public Instruction.

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Enclosure in a letter from the
Superintending Engineer & Co.
to the Secretary to Government
D. P. W. dated 29 Jan 1864
No 1789.

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Madura District.

Estimate for taking off
& re-laying the plastering
on the terrace of the school
house at Dindigul.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from Captain F. J. MOBERLY, R. E., Superintending Engineer, Sth
Division; to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department
Public Works; dated Madura, 29th January 1864, No. 1789.

As desired in G. O. No. 3471 of the 26th November, I have the honor to enclose copy of
my letter, No. 1026 of 2nd November 1863, to
the Director of Public Instruction. I have
only to add to it that further examination since
the rains shows no change in the building.

2. The leakage is nearly over the entire roof. I enclose an estimate for taking off and
re-laying the plastering on the terrace, which will, I hope, prevent any further leaking. The wood-
work has, I believe, by this time settled to its proper bearing.

Referred to the Educational Department for consideration.

2. Orders will hereafter be passed in this
No. 238, dated 18th November 1863, Educational Department. Department, with reference to paragraph 2 of the
Proceedings marginally noted.

CHEPAUK,
4th February 1864.

(Signed) C. A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

ORDER THEREON, 15th February 1864, No. 52.

The Governor in Council sanctions the disbursement of an additional sum of Rupees 63 from
the Educational Building Fund, for re-laying the plastering on the terrace of the Dindigul School-
house.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Public works Department,
(with two enclosures.)
Director of Public Instruction.
Deputy Auditor and Accountant General.

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Communicated to the

Superintending Engineer & Division

for information and guidance.

The Government cannot

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the Quindigut Valley School

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his letter to the Director of Public

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