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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
2nd April 1864.*

No. 69. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department:—

Resolving that the Central Jail at Rajahmundry, Godavery District, shall be proceeded with; and stating that the work should be pushed on with the utmost possible despatch. } (Here enter 19th March 1864, No. 397.)

No. 70. ORDER THEREON, 2nd April 1864, No. 926.

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

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
19th March 1864.

No. 228. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel O. W. S. CHAMBERS, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to
Government, Madras, dated Dowlaishweram, 11th March 1864, No. 2334.
With reference to the telegraphic order to Major Stoddard's address, telling him to stop the
Jail work at Rajahmundry forthwith, and to my
telegraphic message of yesterday, reporting the
stoppage of the Jail, the expenditure up to date,

Of 9th March 1864.

and the probable loss to Government which the change of the site of the Jail to Waltair will
involve, I beg to address the Government in detail on the subject.

2. The expenditure hitherto made may be classed as follows:—

I.	7000	Rupees	advanced to workshops for iron doors.
II.	10,000	"	advanced to workshops for roofing.
III.	500	"	advanced to a native contractor for doors to Jailer's house and subsidiary buildings.
IV.	4995	"	paid on account to stone quarryers.
V.	10,320	"	paid on account to contractors carting the stone from the quarry to the site.
VI.	7708	"	paid on account to brick and tile contractors.
VII.	1000	"	to sand collected by contract on the river bank.
VIII.	655	"	to fuel collected for burning lime.
IX.	75	"	to limestone quarried.
X.	211	"	to building a lime-kiln on the site.
XI.	511	"	to digging a well on the site.
XII.	174	"	to clearing site.
XIII.	958	"	to stores purchased.
XIV.	550	"	to construction of sheds, and to sundries.

Rupees... 44,657

3. In addition to this sum there are about Rupees 400 and 200 due still for the lime-kiln
and the well, so that the actual outlay may be put down as 45,300 Rupees without any great error.

4. The two first items 7000 Rupees and 10,000 Rupees will be entirely recovered should it be
determined to build the Central Jail at Waltair: the iron doors and the wood-work of the roof-
ing of the Jail are being made up economically and well in the Dowlaishweram workshops, the
only extra charge to Government will be the cost of transport of these articles to Waltair.

5. With regard to article III, an agreement for 1500 Rupees has been entered into with a
carpenter contractor at Rajahmundry to make up the smaller wooden fixtures of the Jail for 1500
Rupees; he has the doors and windows in progress, and has been paid 500 Rupees on account. It
will be necessary to allow him to work out his contract, but the doors, &c. when made can be sent to
Waltair. Government will only be a loser by the amount of their freight.

6. Rupees 4995, item No. IV, have been paid on account of stone to quarry contractors, at
the rate of five Annas a cubic yard. About 8000 cubic yards are stacked on the site of the Jail, and
a large quantity is ready for transport in the quarries.

7. Rupees 10,320, item No. V, have been paid on account to cartmen who deliver the stone at
the site at the rate of eight Annas a cubic yard.

8. It must be the larger part of these two outlays, Nos. IV and V, must be considered
as lost; some of the stone may be sold to the Government, and it may be arranged that the cartmen, who
have not worked out the advances made to them to purchase cattle, should cart what stone remains
in the quarries to the river bank in front of the Jail site, but still there will be a very large loss.

9. Of the 7708 Rupees spent on bricks, probably three-fourths will be recovered; a new petta
is being built at Rajahmundry, and there is consequently a demand for bricks.

10. The 1000 Rupees paid on account of sand may be considered as almost altogether lost.

11. The amounts paid for fuel and limestone, items VIII and IX, will be more than half
recovered.

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12. Items X, XI and XII, with the addition of some 600 Rupees still due for the lime-kiln and well, will entail a loss of 1600 Rupees.

13. Items XIII and XIV, amounting together to 1508 Rupees, must be considered as almost altogether lost.

14. It will be seen that the heaviest loss falls under the head of Quarrying and conveying stone, and that in proportion as we are enabled to sell this material to the anicut will the loss be diminished.

15. In my telegram of yesterday, I assumed that almost the whole amount laid out on stone would be lost; since then I have talked the matter over with Sub-Engineer, Veeramahgaru R. Br., and hope that the entire loss, instead of being 20,000 Rupees as telegraphed, may be reduced to 13,000 or 14,000 Rupees.

16. I await instructions from Government to sell off everything to the best advantage.

17. Having said thus much concerning the materials collected, I beg to report that, in my opinion, unless there are reasons of State for building the Central Jail at Waltair, it would be far better to build it at Rajahmundry.

18. I am now certain that there will be no great difference in the cost of the two buildings, and that the one built at Rajahmundry will be better built and of better materials than that at Waltair.

19. With regard to the question of time, the Rajahmundry Jail can be built in one year, whilst the Waltair one will take several years building.

20. At Waltair there are neither materials, nor superintendence and labor for the speedy construction of any work of magnitude.

21. In conclusion, I request instructions on the subject of the present Jail under construction at the latter station, and on which nearly 10,000 Rupees will be spent during the present official year. Is it to be completed or not?

Referred to the Judicial Department for orders, with advertence to paragraphs 20 and 21.

2. The Executive Engineer, Godavery, was directed by telegraph on the 15th instant, to resume work on the Jail at Rajahmundry.

CHEPAUK, 18th March 1864.

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

No. 229.

ORDER THEREON, 19th March 1864, No. 397.

The Governor in Council has resolved that the Central Jail at Rajahmundry shall be proceeded with. It should be pushed on with the utmost possible despatch. The small Jail in course of construction at Waltair should be completed.

(True Extract.)

H. J. Cunningham
Chief Secretary

To the Public Works Department.
" Inspector General of Jails.

*To be substituted for the
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date and No. already
communicated.*

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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