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Government of Madras.

*Public works* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government. Public Works Department.*  
26th May 1866.

Read the following papers :—

No. 602. From the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madras, 1st May 1866, No. 1.

1. In reply to G. O. No. 984, dated 26th March 1866, I have the honor to forward an original letter, dated 4th instant, from the Executive Engineer, Southern Range, Presidency District,

1 Letter from Executive Engineer.  
1 Do. from Commissioner of Police.

stating that immediate steps would be taken for estimating for the improvements to the Madras Penitentiary.

2. As elaborate plans, and lengthy estimates in detail, will have to be prepared, they will probably not be submitted to Government before June.

3. I take this opportunity of forwarding a letter which I received from the Commissioner of Police some time ago, and I would suggest that the works therein specially brought to notice, and those recommended for immediate attention by the Medical Department, should be taken up for early execution, leaving the other propositions of the Sanitary Commission to be dealt with when funds (probably 1½ lakhs of Rupees would be required) can be obtained.

From the Acting Commissioner of Police, to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Madras, 20th November 1865, No. 552.

1. With reference to Order of Government No. 1,357 of 18th September 1864, I have the honor to request that you will inform me if the scheme for altering and enlarging the Penitentiary, submitted by the Sanitary Commission, is likely to be soon carried out.

2. If not, I beg to bring to notice that some of the alterations and additions recommended are urgently required and might perhaps be carried out at once in subservience to the requirements of the general scheme to be completed hereafter. Paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Order of Government quoted would appear to sanction this course.

3. The urgent requirements are the improvement to the Deputy Jailer's quarters and the erection of solitary cells. I am not in possession of the plans sent in by the Commission, but if the solitary cells are to be placed in the new enclosure on the west side, then it will be necessary to enclose this spot and bring it within the Jail area before erecting the solitary cells. Six solitary cells have been proposed, besides condemned cells. I am not aware if there is much difference of construction between the two. If the condemned cells could be used on emergency as solitary cells, then six cells would be ample for both purposes; and I would also propose the erection of four separate cells or a small separate ward for criminals affected with leprosy or other loathsome diseases. This is a great want.

4. A small additional Cook-room for Brahmins is also required, and while on the subject of improvements I would further suggest that the water from the Seven Wells might with great advantage be carried on from the General Hospital to the Penitentiary. There is no water fit for drinking within the building, and water is now brought from a distance at a monthly cost of Rupees 23.

5. I request therefore that you will be good enough to furnish estimates of the costs of the following works, in order that I may submit the question of carrying them out at once (in advance of the general scheme) for the decision of Government :—

1st.—Enclosing the ground on the west or Chintadrepettah side and bringing it within the Jail area with necessary walls, &c., (provided this addition is necessary for the erection of solitary cells.)

2nd.—Erection of six solitary and condemned cells.

3rd.—Erection of four separate cells or a small separate ward for leprous prisoners.

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- 4th.—Brahmin Cook-room.  
5th.—Improvement to Deputy Jailer's quarters.  
6th.—Bringing Seven Wells water from General Hospital to Penitentiary.

Referred to the Judicial Department.

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

FORT SAINT GEORGE,  
2nd May 1866.

No. 603. Memorandum from the Chief Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department:—

(Here enter No. 155, dated 17th May 1866.)

No. 604. ORDER THEREON, 26th May 1866, No. 1,663.

**CIVIL WORKS, No. 83.**

1. Under the circumstances explained in this letter the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division is authorized to proceed with the execution of the undermentioned improvements to the Penitentiary which have been recommended by the Inspector General of the Medical Department and the Commissioner of Police, and the Government will be prepared to allot the necessary funds on Colonel Boileau reporting the probable estimated cost:—

- 1st.—Removal of the division wall in the Hospital compound.
- 2nd.—Improvements to the drain immediately outside the entrance of the Hospital compound.
- 3rd.—Alterations and improvements to the Deputy Jailer's quarters.
- 4th.—Enclosing the ground on the west or Chintadrepettah side, provided that such addition to the Jail area is necessary for the proposed solitary cells.
- 5th.—Erection of six solitary and condemned cells.
- 6th.—Do. of four separate cells for criminals affected with leprosy or other loathsome diseases.
- 7th.—Do. of a small Cook-room for Brahmins.
- 8th.—Bringing the Seven Wells water from the General Hospital to the Penitentiary.

2. The plans and estimates for these works should be laid before Government as soon as possible.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.  
.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.  
.. Accountant General.  
.. Judicial Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

N<sup>o</sup> 1. / Superintending Engineer Office 4<sup>th</sup> Div.  
Madras 17<sup>th</sup> May 1866.  
From  
Colonel A. J. M. Boileau R.E. Vt  
Superintending Engineer 4<sup>th</sup> Div.  
Colonel C. A. Orr. R.E.  
Secretary to Government P.W.D.  
Sir,

Letter from  
Executive Engineer  
1-also from Commis<sup>r</sup>  
of Police.

In reply to L. O. N<sup>o</sup> 984 Dated 26<sup>th</sup>  
March 1866, I have the honor to forward an  
original letter, dated 4<sup>th</sup> Instant from the  
Executive Engineer Southern Range Presidency  
District, stating that immediate steps would  
be taken for estimating for the improvements  
to the Madras Penitentiary.

2. As elaborate plans, and lengthy  
estimates in detail, will have to be prepared,  
they will probably not be submitted to  
Government before June.

3. I take this opportunity of forwarding  
a letter which I received from the Commissioner  
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would be required) can be obtained.

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Sup<sup>r</sup> Engr<sup>y</sup> Office  
4<sup>th</sup> Div  
Madras - May 1860

Mount Moor & Chelva Street

*W. H. B. B.*  
Superintending Engr<sup>y</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Div

To  
Colonel C. A. Orr: R.E.  
Secretary to Government & P.W.

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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

No. 155

MEMORANDUM.

The Chief Secretary has the honor to return the letter noted in the margin, together with the <sup>Report</sup> ~~Plan and Estimate~~ which accompanied it, ~~for the~~ <sup>relative to estimating</sup>

for certain improvements to the Madras Penitentiary, and to inform Colonel <sup>Cor</sup> that he thinks it advisable that the ~~he sees no objection to the Plan~~ suggestions of the ~~Superintending Engineer should be acted on~~

C. J. Cranstoun  
Chief Secretary

with a letter and 2 enclosures.

Fort St. George,  
17 May 1866.  
To

The Secretary to Government,  
Public Works Department

From Superintending Engineer  
& Division dated 17 May  
1866 No. 1.

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Referred to the  
Judicial Dept

Wm. J. H. M. M. M.

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PM Dept.  
Mr. H. H. H. H.  
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Transferring an Inspector  
from the 4th to the 1st  
Range stating that in  
consequence of the  
reduction for estimating for  
the improvement of the  
Madras Penitentiary  
the 1st Range will be  
in a better position to  
be able to estimate the  
cost of the improvement  
of the 1st Range.

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No. of Govt. for May  
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Memo:  
From the Chief Secy.  
to Govt in the last Sept.  
to the Secy. of Govt. & Mr.

of 17 May 1866

Ca. 3 No. 155

Intimating that  
the suggestions of the  
Supr. Engr. of the 4<sup>th</sup> Div<sup>n</sup>  
relative to estimating  
for certain improve-  
ments to the Madras  
Prisoners should  
be acted on.

No 603

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Civil Works

Public Works Department

1866

Proceedings of the Madras Government.  
Under date the 26<sup>th</sup> May 1866.

From the Superintending Engineer  
of the 4<sup>th</sup> Division (Here enter No. 959 dated 1<sup>st</sup> May 1866)

Memo:  
From the Chief Secretary  
to Government in  
the Judicial Department. (Here enter No. 155 dated 17<sup>th</sup> May 1866)

Under the circumstances  
explained in this letter the  
Superintending Engineer of the  
4<sup>th</sup> Division is authorized  
to proceed with the execu-  
tion of the undermentioned  
improvements to the Penitentiary  
which have been recommended  
by the Inspector General of the  
Medical Department and  
the Commissioner of Police,  
and the Government will  
be prepared to allot the  
necessary funds on Colonel  
Boileau reporting the probable  
estimated cost -

1<sup>st</sup> Removal of the division wall  
in the Hospital Compound -

- 2 - Improvements to the drain immediately outside the entrance of the Hospital Compound -
- 3 - Alterations and improvements to the Deputy Quarter Quarters -
- 4 - Enclosing the Ground on the West or Puzhappettah side, provided that such addition to the Jail area is necessary for the proposed solitary cells -
- 5 - Erection of 6 Solitary and condemned Cells -
- 6 - To provide separate cells for criminals affected with Leprosy or other loathsome diseases -

7 - To provide a small Cook room for the Prisoners -

8 - Bringing the Seven Wells Water from the General Hospital to the Prisoners -

The Plans and Estimates for these works should be laid before Government as soon as possible -

- 6 To the Secy of Govt
- 4 - Controller of Public Works
- 3 - Assistant Secy
- 11 - Judicial Dept

*[Signature]*

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*Other letters*

Recd 28<sup>th</sup> May

S.W.H. Department  
Proc. of Govt for May.

Apr 1863.  
Proc. of the Madras Compt.  
Of 25 May 63

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The Supy. Engineer  
of the L. & G. authorized  
to proceed with the Execu-  
tion of certain improve-  
ments to Penitentiary.  
Pres. Secy.

Apr 20 1864.