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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 28th September 1866.

No. 687. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department, dated 24th September 1866, No. 1,502 A:—

Read also the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, dated 24th September 1866, No. 3,060.

1. The Government resolve to appoint a Committee for the purpose of selecting a site for the Central Jail at Trichinopoly. Application has been made to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for the services of General Armstrong and the Senior Medical Officer of the station, and (subject to His Excellency's consent as regards these Officers) the Committee will comprise —

General Armstrong, President.
The Civil and Session Judge.
The Honorable R. S. Ellis, C. B.
Lieutenant-Colonel W. J. Wilson, Inspector General of Jails.
The Senior Medical Officer.
Colonel T. Greenaway, Executive Engineer.

2. The Committee will assemble at Trichinopoly as soon as possible.

3. Colonel Wilson's attention is drawn to paragraph 6 of the Order above recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

No. 688. ORDER THEREON, 28th September 1866, No. 3,105.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 120.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 6th Division and to the Executive Engineer at Trichinopoly.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.
,, Executive Engineer at Trichinopoly.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 596. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 31st August 1866, No. 783 A:—

1. I am directed to acknowledge receipt of the letter, as per margin,* forwarding copy of a Minute by His Excellency the Governor of Madras, regarding the requirements of the Madras Presidency in the matter of Jail and Lunatic accommodation, and the additional Budget grants required for this purpose.

* No. 1,209, dated 4th August 1866, from Chief Secretary to Government of Madras, Judicial Department, to Secretary to Government of India, Public Works Department.

2. In reply, I am to say that as from paragraphs 27 and 28 of His Lordship's Minute, it would appear that the immediate necessities of the case during 1866-67 would be met by an additional grant of one lakh for Jails, and Rupees 20,000 for a Lunatic Asylum at Madras, or Rupees 1,20,000 in all, the Governor General in Council, having regard to the representations brought forward in respect to the urgency of making a commencement in this matter, agrees to the case being met by an extra grant, and authorizes an additional Public Works Budget Grant to Madras for 1866-67 to that extent, on the understanding that the estimates for the works to which it is to be applied are sanctioned by competent authority. A telegram to this effect was despatched on the 23rd instant.

3. I am at the same time to notice that the statement made in paragraph 27 of the Minute, regarding a letter of the 9*th March* 1865, on the subject of Jail accommodation not having been acknowledged by the Government of India, seems to have been founded on a misapprehension, since the communication on this subject, No. 1,760, dated 9*th December* 1865, was duly replied to by my telegram of the 12th January 1866, and my letter, No. 130 C, dated 7th February 1866.

4. With reference to the remark made in the concluding portion of the second paragraph of your letter, to the effect that the additional expenditure on certain Jails will be met from savings in the General Budget, I am to enquire whether by this is meant the Budget estimate of the Civil Department, or that of the Public Works Department.

No. 597. ORDER THEREON, 24th September 1866, No. 3,060.

ACCOUNT, No. 58.

1. A sum of Rupees 1,20,000 having now been placed at the disposal of this Government as an addition to the Budget grant for the current official year, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the following appropriations from that source:—

	RS.
To Central Jail at Cannanore, Malabar District	30,000
To do. at Vellore, North Arcot District	40,000
To District Jail at Madura, Madura District	30,000
To Lunatic Asylum at Madras, Presidency	20,000

2. It is also the intention of Government, in conformity with the terms of their letter* to the Government of India of August 4th, No. 1,209, to supplement these appropriations by the sum of Rupees 1,95,000 from savings in the general Public Works assignment of the year, to be applied to the amelioration and enlargement of Jail accommodation conformably to the tenor of the Minute of His Excellency the Governor, dated July 10th, 1866.

* Judicial Department.

3. The plans and estimates for the Central Jail at Cannanore are now under the consideration of Government; those for the Central Jail at Vellore should be submitted with as little delay as practicable in accordance with the Order of the 19th instant, No. 3,014. The Superintending Engineer of the 8th Division will expedite the preparation of the revised estimate for the District Jail at Madura with reference to the Orders which were communicated to him in the Proceedings of Government, No. 1,996, dated 25th June 1866. The Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division will take immediate measures for pushing on the construction of the District Jail at Calicut from the funds at his disposal, leaving the expenditure to be adjusted from savings later in the year. Measures will be prosecuted with a view to the selection of a site for the Central Jail at Trichinopoly, and Captain Oakes will expedite the submission of estimates for the work on the standard designs, adhering to the instructions conveyed to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division in Proceedings of Government, No. 3,014 of 19th instant, relative to the preparation of estimates for the proposed Central Jail at Vellore.

4. Plans and Estimates for a new Lunatic Asylum at Madras were called for in G. O. No. 1,103, dated 11th April 1866, and the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division will be requested to report, in compliance with a Memorandum from this Office, No. 277, dated 19th September 1866, what progress has been made with the preparation of those documents.

5. The Governor in Council is particularly anxious that the additional allotments sanctioned and contemplated in these Orders should be fully utilized; and, as this result can be obtained only by the prompt submission of the plans and estimates, and by the speedy commencement and vigorous prosecution of the several works, His Lordship confidently looks for the hearty co-operation of the Superintending Engineers, and for the unremitting exertions of the Officers who may be placed in executive charge.

6. Arrangements have already been made for the location of convicts for employment on the Jail at Cannanore, and as the Government are desirous that, in the construction of all the new Jails, convict labor should be utilized to the fullest extent to which that description of labor can be employed, in order to reduce the cost of those buildings as much as possible, the Inspector General of Jails will be requested to detach all available convicts for employment on the new Central Jail at Vellore and the District Jail at Calicut. The Superintending Engineers of the 4th and 7th Divisions will take immediate measures for locating the men on the sites of those buildings, and for employing them in the preparation of materials, as well as in the actual execution of the works. In connection with this subject, the Superintending Engineers will give their particular attention to providing suitable accommodation for the Police force

engaged in guarding the several gangs of convicts employed. The lodging of the Police and Convicts must be completely provided for before any other work is undertaken, and the charge for this item will be exclusive of the estimate for the Jail buildings. The Superintending Engineers will also be careful to make a reduction in the estimates which they are now about to submit equivalent to the full value of the convict labor that can be employed.

Proceedings of Government, No. 3,014, of 19th September 1866.
Do. do. No. 1,536, of 14th May 1866.

7. The construction of the Central Jails at Rajahmundry and Coimbatore, upon which the outlay up to the 31st July last amounted to Rupees 3,811 and 18,628, against the Budget assignments of Rupees 43,679 and 50,000, respectively, should be pushed on as rapidly as possible, and, in the event of additional allotments of funds being required for those buildings during the current official year, they will be placed at the disposal of the Superintending Engineers concerned from savings on the General Grant for Public Works.

Ordered that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 3,061, dated 24th September 1866.)

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineers, 1st, 4th, 6th, 7th, and 8th Divisions.
To all other Superintending Engineers.
To the Accountant General.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Judicial Department.

Order in the Judicial Department 24th September 1866 No. 2000

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Rxd. T. O'Connor.

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Lieut. Colo. W. J. Wilson. Inspr. Genl. of Jails.
The Senior Medical Officer
Colo. T. Greenaway. Executive Engineer.

2 The Committee will assemble at Trichinopoly as soon as possible.

3 Colonel Wilson's attention is drawn to Board's order above recorded.

True Extract
L. A. Lewin
Secretary to Government.

To
The Public Works Department.

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Fort St Lawrence
28th Septr 1866