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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th October 1866.

Read the following papers:—

No. 349. From the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madura, 5th September 1866, No. 875.

1. I have the honor to submit for sanction a plan and estimate of Rupees 600, for additions and slight repairs required at the Moonsiff's Cutcherry at Streevigoondum, in the Tinnevelly District.

1 Plan
1 Abstract Estimate.

The building is valued at present at Rupees 660, and the improvements, estimated at nearly the same amount, constitute a new work.

2. It is proposed to lengthen the Cutcherry to afford more room, and to include in the additional length a small room 6 by 7 feet, for the safe custody of records, &c., the verandah being thrown out beyond the new portion of the building.

3. The estimate has been prepared at the request of the Civil Judge of Tinnevelly, and I can provide the funds as follows:—

Unappropriated balance under the head Minor New Works Civil Buildings	Rupees	592
By transfer from Minor New Works Communications .	,,	8
	Total Rupees	600

Referred to the Judicial Department.

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

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
11th September 1866.

No. 350. From the Civil Judge of Tinnevelly, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Streevigoondum, 20th September 1866, No. 493.

1. I have the honor to return the plan and estimate, for the improvement of the Moonsiff's Court at Streevigoondum, received with Mr. Under Secretary Grose's Memorandum of the 14th instant.

2. The alterations were proposed before my appointment to this District, and as my opinion on the matter has been required, I thought it desirable to visit the Court myself.

3. I do not approve of the proposed alterations, for the simple reason that I am of opinion that it would be throwing good money after bad. The Court is a dark den, utterly unfit for the purposes of a Court, and the improvements proposed, or in fact any improvements, will not make it fit for use.

4. The Court is one in which there is a very large amount of business; to-day, a Small Cause day, there were twenty-five cases for hearing, and there are seventeen Vakeels. There is no room for any one, and as for publicity, which is one of the most important requirements in a Civil Court, or in fact in any Court, it is totally impossible in such a wretchedly confined place.

5. Besides the above objections, the Moonsiff and every one complains, as is obviously true, of the extreme heat of the wretched place, of its being so dark that

after 4 it is perfectly impossible to see, and of the noises and nuisances which arise from the huts which closely surround it on.

6. The improvements proposed will add no space worth mentioning, and will not admit of greater publicity.

7. The Collector, who is here, tells me that a new Cutcherry has been sometime sanctioned for the Táluq, to be built on the other side of the river, and that it is this year in the Budget. Should that be built, and the present Táluq Cutcherry be given over to the Moonsiff for his Court, nothing could possibly be more desirable. The building of the Táluq Cutcherry as it stands now would give room, light, air, and publicity to the proceedings of the Court, and with one or two removals of walls, not then required, would be perfect.

8. Therefore if the new Cutcherry is at once commenced, I should recommend that the Moonsiff should wait.

9. Otherwise, I hardly know what to recommend; the Moonsiff says he has been complaining for the last four years of the wretched place he has now, and it is so unfit that it would be hard to compel him to continue to conduct his business in it for an indefinite period. As a temporary measure a good pandal, or open shed, might be erected for about 100 Rupees over the small compound on the west of the present hut, and there the business of the day could very well be conducted, the present building being used for the records and for the Goomastas to work in. This would ensure air, space, and publicity, and it is the only device I can suggest.

Transferred to the Public Works Department, with reference to the docket from that Department, dated 11th ultimo.

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

Fort Saint George,
3*rd October* 1866.

No. 351. Order thereon, 15th October 1866, No. 3,283.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 63.

The letter from the Civil Judge of Tinnevelly above read will be communicated to the Officiating Superintending Engineer of the 8th Division who will, in communication with the Collector, report upon the alleged unsuitableness of the Moonsiff's Court house at Streevigoondum, and the inexpediency of carrying out the proposed improvements to it. He will also report at an early date on the proposals made in paragraphs 7 to 9, quoting the correspondence regarding the new Táluq Cutcherry to which Mr. Child refers.

(True Extract)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.
,, Collector of Tinnevelly
,, Judicial Department
,, Civil Judge of Tinnevelly.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Abstract Estimate No. of 1866/67

District Tinnevelly Taluq Sheneévaé

Work Alterations and Repairs Required to the Moonsiff's Cutcherry at Streevigoondam

	Original Cost	Valuation.	Last repair Year.	Last repair Amount.
		660 . .		

Quantities.	Description of work.	Rate.	Amount.	Amount of each part.
6 11/54	Cube Removing Old Masonry at	" 8 "	3 1 7	S
59 95/216	Do Brick in Chunam at	3 8 .	208 . 7	S
2742	Sq Feet Plastering partitions	2 . .	54 13 5	S
2742	Do Whitewashing Do	" 6 "	10 4 6	S
21 7/8	Cubic Feet Wrought Venpaé wood	2 4 "	48 1 0	S
791 7/8	Sq Feet Pooling with new Palmiraks Rafts Battens flat & Pan tiles & Chunam borders per 100 Sq Feet	25 . .	197 15 6	S
2	Windows with frames, bars complete Each at	8 . .	16 . .	S
1	Door with frames bars complete at	20 . .	20 . .	S
18 63/108	Cubic Yards Earth at	" 1 "	1 2 9	S
	Sundries for repairing mud walls, Scaffolding &c		40 8 2	S
	Amount of Estimate Rupees		600 . .	

1st Range office
Palamcottah
3rd May 1866
Exd. [illegible]

Approved
Superintending Engineer
Captain R.E
Offg. Supt. Engr. 8th Division

Submitted
for long incharge of
1st Range Tinnevelly

Unappropriated

No. 875.

Superintendent's Engineer's Office 8th Div.
Madura 5th September 1866

From,

Captain H. L. Prendergast R.E.
Offg. Superintending Engineer 8th Division

To,

Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir,

Incls — 2
1 Plan
1 Abstract Estimate

I have the honor to submit for Sanction a plan and estimate of Rs 600 for additions and slight repairs, required at the Moonsiff's Cutcherry at Streevigoondum in the Timevelly District. The building is valued at present at Rupees 660: and the improvements, estimated at nearly the same amount, constitute a new work. —

2. It is proposed to lengthen the Cutcherry, to afford more room, and to include in the additional length, a small room 6 by 7 feet, for the safe custody of records, the verandah being thrown out beyond the new portion of the building.

3 The estimate has been prepared at the request of the Civil Judge, of Timevelly: and I can provide the funds as follows. —

Unappropriated

I do hereby certify that the above Estimate for repairing the Moonsiff's Court House at Streevigoondum amounting to Rupees (600) Six hundred. provides for every necessary, and that no Supplementary works will afterwards be required.

H. H. Mann
Sub Engr in charge of
Range Timevelly
~~Range Officer.~~

Estimate for repairing the Moonsiff's Court House at Streevigoondum in the Timevelly Collectorate.

Rupees 118 per cent Extra

Copy of Estimate with Plan forwarded to the Superintending Engineer 8th Division for Sanction.

Range Timevelly 15th September 1866

H. H. Mann
Sub Engr in charge of Range

Copy of Estimate with Plan forwarded to the Secretary to Government P.W.D. for Sanction.

Superintending Engineer's Office 8th Division
Madura 20th September 1866

H. L. Prendergast
Offg. Superintending Engineer

Unappropriated balance under the head Minor New Works Civil buildings — Rs — 592

By transfer from Minor New works Communications Rs — 8

Rs — 600.

Shaw & Co

Lieut Pendergast / Captain R.E.

Offg Superintending Engineer

8th Division

No 493 Tinnevelly Collectorate
20th September 1866.

From A. J. Shubbal Esqre
Acting Judge of
Tinnevelly

To The Hon'ble A. J. Arbuthnot
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir

1 I have the honor to return the Plan and estimate for the improvement of the Moonniffe Choultry with the accompanying receipt

2 I have also to request that the Moonniffe Choultry may be granted to this District and as my time on the matter has been required, I thought it desirable to submit the Account myself.

3 I do not approve of the proposed alteration for the reasons

Referred to the Judicial Department

Chas A. M.
Coll RE.
Secy to Govt

Fort St George
11th September 1866

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From 3745
The Offg Supt Engr
8th Division
To
The Secretary to Govt
D. P. W.
Dated 5 September 1866
Rec'd 13 September 1866
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Otherwise I hardly

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erected for about 100 Rupees over the small
compound on the west of the
present hall and there the business
of the day could very well
be conducted, the present building
being used for the records and
for the Goomastas to work in.
This would ensure air, space,
and publicity and it is the only
device I can suggest.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed^t Serv^t

W. Hill
Civil Judge

Public Works Department

U.R.

No. 3283

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Under date the 15th October 1866

Read the following

From The Offg Supdg Engr of the 8th Divn (Here enter No. 875 dated 5th September 1866)

The Civil Judge of Tinnevelly (Here enter No. 2144 dated 20 September 1866)

The letter from the Civil Judge of Tinnevelly above read with the Communication of the Offg Superg Engr of the 8th Divn who will, in Communication with the Collector, report upon the alleged unsuitableness of the Srivaikuntam Court house as Strengthening, and the expediency of carrying out the proposed improvements to it. He will also report on the proposals made in Paras 7 to 9, quoting the correspondence

Read the following papers

From The Offg Supdg Engr of the 8th Division, No. 875 dated 5th September 1866.

To The Civil Judge of Tinnevelly

To The Chief Secretary to Government

No. 2144.

Dated 20th September 1866

Rec'd 26th September 1866

Answered

No. 2144.

Forwards copy of letter from Executive Engineer, Tuticorin, reporting on the unsuitableness for the purposes of the Srivaikuntam Court House of the building now occupied as such, and requesting that the necessary alterations may be carried out.

Srivaikuntam

Dated 11th September 1866

To The Executive Engineer, Tuticorin

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith, with reference to the details given in the margin, a letter from the Civil Judge of Tinnevelly, dated 20th instant, requesting that the necessary alterations may be carried out in the building now occupied as a Court House at Srivaikuntam.

Dated 15th October 1866

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Regarding the new Palacole Cutcherry to which the Child refers.

P. W. 186 . Department.

No. .

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated

To
The S. Engr & Dyd
" Collector of Tinnevelly
" Judicial Dept
" Civil Judge of Tinnevelly

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Fo 349. 350 & 351.

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Proc. of the Madras Post

Dt 15th October 56.

The Subg. Copy of
the 8th Dt furnished with the
letter from the Civil Judge of
Tinnevelly respecting the site
. city of repairing the Moonsiffs
Court, Shencottah, and
the erection &c of a new Talug
Cutcherry in the Tinnevelly
Dt with instructions &c.
. Post on the subject.

No 349 @ 351.