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Government of Madras.

Public works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 537	Press ~~Mis.~~
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th February 1866.*

No. 328. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Cuddalore, 2nd February 1866, No. 65:—

1. In the Proceedings of Government of the 10th of March 1864, No. 728, the sum of 350 Rupees was sanctioned for an office at Porto Novo for the fourth Range, South Arcot. The office was not built during the last official year, nor has it yet been commenced. The amount allowed for an office in that Range has since been increased to 450 Rupees in G. O. of the 22nd November 1865, No. 3,525.

2. The present Range Officer, Mr. R. E. Norfor, has now suggested that the amount sanctioned for a new office at Porto Novo should be laid out in adapting the Overseer's shed at Virdachellum for a Range office. The Overseer's shed is an old building that was given over to the Department in 1856, and, with an outlay of 450 Rupees for repairs and improvements, would make a much better Range office than any that could be built for that sum.

3. Virdachellum will be a better place for the fixed station of the Range Officer than Porto Novo, for it is more central, and Porto Novo, which has hitherto been the fixed station, has been found to be very inconveniently situated for the work of the Range. Virdachellum is, moreover, the station of the Sub-Collector, whose charge corresponds with the fourth Range. I therefore beg to recommend that it be made the fixed station of the Range Officer, and that the amount sanctioned for an office be laid out in improving the building known as the Overseer's shed. If the work is put in hand at once, it can be completed before the end of the official year.

No. 329. ORDER THEREON, 15th February 1866, No. 537.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 38.

The Government approve of the head quarters of No. 4 Range of the South Arcot District being transferred from Porto Novo to Virdachellum, and they authorize the expenditure of Rupees 450 in adapting the Overseer's shed at the latter station for a Range office. As Rupees 350, sanctioned in G. O. No. 1,868, dated 4th July 1865, are available for this work, the Superintending Engineer of the 5th Division will report how he proposes to provide the additional Rupees 100 required.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division.

.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.

.. Accountant General.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

N^o 65
From,

Superintg Engineer's Office 5th Divⁿ
Cuddalore 2^d February 1866

Lieut^{nt} Col^l C. F. Ford R.E.

To,
Superintending Engineer
5th Divⁿ
Colonel C. F. Orr R.E.

Secretary to Government
P. P. & W.

Sir,

In the Proceedings of Government of
the 10th of March 1864 N^o 728 the sum
of 350 rupees was sanctioned for an
Office at Porto Novo for the Fourth
Range South Arcot. The office was
not built during the last official
year nor has it yet been commenced.
The amount allowed for an office in
that Range has since been increased
to 450 rupees in G.O. of the 22nd November
1865 N^o 3525.

2 The present Range Officer Mr
R. C. Torson has now suggested that
the amount sanctioned for a new
Office at Porto Novo should be laid
out in adapting the Overseers shed
at Virdachellund for a Range office.
The Overseers shed is an old building
that

that was given over to the department
in 1856, and, with an outlay of 450
rupees for repairs and improvements,
would make a much better Range
Office than any that could be built
for that sum.

Q3 Tirdachellum will be a better
place for the fixed ^{Station} of the Range
Officer than Port Loo, for it is more
central, and Port Loo, which has
hitherto been the fixed station, has
been found to be very inconveniently
situated for the work of the Range.
Tirdachellum is moreover the station
of the Sub Collector, whose charge
corresponds with the 14th Range. I
therefore beg to recommend that it be
made the fixed station of the Range
Officer, and that the amount sanctioned
for an office be laid out in improving
the building known as the Overseers' shed.
If the work is put in hand at once,
it can be completed before the end
of the Official year.

I have the honor to be
Yours most Obedient Servant
E. A. Ford Esq. M. A. B. C.
Superintg Engineer

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 15th February 1866.

Read the following

From the Superintending Engineer
of the 5th Division

Recommending that the ^{2nd July 1866 No. 165/} Presses shed at Vardachellam

should be adapted for an
office for the 4th Range South
Arcot.

The Government approve
of the head quarters of 4th Range
of the South Arcot District
being transferred from Pato
now to Vardachellam, & they
authorize the expenditure of Rs.
450 in adapting the Presses
shed at the latter station
for a Range Office. As Rs. 350,
sanctioned in G. O. No 1868
of 4th July 65, are available
for this work, the S^r D^r will report how he pro-
poses to provide the additional
Rs 100 required.

Handwritten initials and signatures.

To the S^r D^r Controller
Secy to Govt
23
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16th February

For the Secy to Govt
1866-67

1866 2nd July
No. 165/

The Superintending Engineer

5th Division

To

The Secretary to
Government

Dated 2nd February 1866.

1865

Recommending that the
Presses shed at
Vardachellam should
be adapted for an
Office for the 4th Range
South Arcot.

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To Mr. Webb Department

Pro: of Cash for February

No 537.

Pro: of the Madras Pass

D/15 February 1866

Transfer of the head
quarters of A's Range, S. Area
Ditto to Verdachellam approue
and certain arrangements in
connection therewith, authorize

No 328. 329.