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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st July 1867.*

No. 5. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th June 1867, No. 3,658:—

Read again letters from the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, dated 9th September and 6th October 1865, Nos. 1,489 and 1,800, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 19th September and 7th November 1865, Nos. 5,810 and 7,140.

Read also the following letters:—

From the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Waltair, 5th December 1865, No. 2,003.

1. As directed in Government Order, No. 2,470, of 24th August 1865, I have the honour to forward the only plans* of the description referred to that can be found in this office.
* Two in number.

2. It will be observed that the Assistant's Cutcherry at Nursipatam† differs from the one at Parvatipore‡ only in respect to its having at one end an enclosed verandah, which may be used as a waiting-room for persons attending the Cutcherry.

3. The former is now in course of construction; the latter is not yet commenced.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 and 2.—Plans.

From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 16th October 1865, No. 122.

Agreeably to Government Order, No. 2,470, dated 24th August 1865, I have the honour to forward a plan of the only building erected, for the Revenue Department in this District, during the last five years, viz., that of a Cutcherry built at Bazorah for the Head Assistant Collector. Mr. Wilson, who at present holds that appointment, informs me that it is sufficient for his requirements.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Plan.

From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Bellary, 6th April 1866, No. 2,685.

1. With reference to Government Order No. 2,470, of the 24th August 1865, I have the honour to forward a copy of the plan of the Head Assistant Collector's Cutcherry at Hospett, in the Bellary District, which was finished last year.

2. I do not consider the design of the building as good, and think that there should be a verandah at least at each end, and a small private room is required for the Head Assistant.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Plan.

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From the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 5th September 1865, No. 1,689.

1. With reference to the Order of Government, dated 24th August 1865, No. 2,470, I have the honour to forward plans of Revenue buildings, which have been constructed in this division within the last five years, as well as proposed designs, which may be useful in assisting the Board in adopting standard plans.

2. No standard plan of Head Assistant's Cutcherry can be found in this Office.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 10.—Plans.

From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 7th November 1865, No. 1,320.

With reference to Government Order No. 2,470, of the 24th August last, I have the honour to inform you, that no buildings of the nature referred to in the Revenue Board's Proceedings that accompanied the Order above quoted, have been erected for the Revenue Department within the last five years in this division.

Transferred to the Board of Revenue.

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

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
10th November 1865.

From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coonoor, 15th March 1866, No. 203.

1. I do not find that any buildings, save Talook Cutcheries on a Standard Plan, have been built in Coimbatore, Malabar, and South Canara Districts within the past five years. But in compliance with the spirit, rather than with the letter of Government Order No. 2,470, of 24th August 1865, I have the honour to forward, herewith, plans of Cutcheries, as undermentioned, which I have had occasion to draw up within the period stated; and from which, though I am not inclined to think any one of them adapted for a Standard Plan, some hints may perhaps be derived:—

Collector's Cutcherry at Sirey, (proposed.)
Sub-Collector's do. Tellicherry, (sanctioned.)
Do. do. Konghiem, (sanctioned.)
Head Assistant Collector's do., Palghaut, (sanctioned.)

2. I take this opportunity of remarking that I consider the introduction of Standard Plans inexpedient. Superintending Engineers should be allowed to adapt buildings to special sites and climates, being furnished with the fullest particulars as to the number of persons to be accommodated, and the number of rooms into which they are to be distributed.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 4.—Plans.

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1st July 1867.

From the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madras, 9th September 1865, No. 1,062.

1. Referring to No. 2,470, 24th August, I have the honour to enclose the only new plan that has been sanctioned* for offices in the Revenue Department during the last five years. The building has not been constructed, so that we have had no means of judging of its suitability.

2. I have marked in yellow a small addition to afford a retiring room.

Transferred to the Board of Revenue.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
18th September 1865.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Plan.

1. In their Proceedings, dated 16th August 1865, No. 4,919, the Board requested the Secretary to the Government, in the Public Works Department, to direct all Superintending Engineers of Divisions to forward, for the Board's inspection, the plans of any Revenue Offices which had been constructed in their respective divisions during the previous five years, in view to Standard Plans for each description of Office being determined upon. The Government were accordingly pleased in their Order, under date 24th August 1865, No. 2,470, to direct all Superintending Engineers to comply with the Board's request, and the papers recorded above are the Superintending Engineer's letters on the subject.

2. The Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division remarks that he considers the introduction of Standard Plans to be inexpedient, and that Superintending Engineers should be permitted to adapt buildings to special sites and climates, being informed of the amount of accommodation required in each case.

3. The Board have recently expressed a similar opinion in their Proceedings under date 6th June 1867, No. 3, 470.

4. Under these circumstances no further orders are necessary on the Superintending Engineer's letters, and the several plans which form their enclosures will be returned.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 1st July 1867, No. 1,941.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 1.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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