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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
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No. 735. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Educational Department :—

Sanctioning a revised plan and estimate, amounting to Rupees 1,593, for the Anglo-Vernacular School-house at Bimlipatam in the Vizagapatam District. } (Here enter 23rd September 1867, No. 301.)

No. 736. ORDER THEREON, 30th September 1867, No. 3,041.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 87.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 50. Read the following letter from the Director of Public Instruction, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 16th September 1867, No. 1786.

In sending the accompanying letter,* dated the 27th ultimo, No. 128, from the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, I have the honor to request sanction for the revised plan and estimate for the Anglo-Vernacular School-house, Bimlipatam.

* With enclosures.

2. It will been seen that the extra charge of Rupees 93 is to be met from local subscriptions.

From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Director of Public Instruction; dated Camp Dowlaishweram, 27th August 1867, No. 128.

I have the honor to forward, for submission to Government, a revised estimate, amounting to Rupees 1593, for making certain alterations and additions to the Bimlipatam School-house, for which a sum of Rupees 1500 was already sanctioned in G. O., No. 222, of 15th ultimo, in the Educational Department.

Enclosures 5.

1 Plan.
1 Estimate.
1 Specification.
1 Copy of Captain Beatty's No. 126, of 19th August 1867.
1 Copy of the Acting Inspector of Schools, 1st Division's No. 170, of 15th August 1867.

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2. The necessity for the proposed alterations and additions is fully explained in the enclosed copies of letters from the Acting Inspector of Schools and the Executive Engineer of the Vizagapatam District, from which it will also be seen that the excess of Rupees 93 over the amount already sanctioned will be met by local subscriptions.

3. A plan and specification also accompany the estimate.

From the Executive Engineer, Vizagapatam Range, to the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division; dated Waltair, 19th August 1867, No. 126.

I have the honor, to forward, herewith the plan and estimate of the alterations and additions to the Bimlipatam School-house, for which a sum of Rupees 1500 was sanctioned in G. O., No. 222, of 15th ultimo, in the Educational Department, sent me with your Memorandum No. 538, of 31st ultimo.

Enclosures 3.

1 Plan.
1 Estimate.
1 Copy of letter No. 170, of the Inspector of Schools.

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2. The estimate provides for adding an additional room, 25½ feet by 15 feet, and for making all the doors 8 feet by 4 feet, by using the smaller sized doors already prepared for the rear of the building, as windows.

3. The building has a verandah all round with "sloping terrace" roof. I have provided for giving this roof a slope of 1 to 3, by raising the walls eighteen inches: that is, from 15 to 16½ feet. This improvement on the original plan I consider absolutely necessary, in order that the verandah roofs may be perfect when the building is completed. Every roof of this kind that I have known with less slope than 1 to 3 has been a source of leakage, and additional expense for repairs or alterations from the very first, even where it was impossible to ascribe the failure to insufficient scantling of timber, or want of care in forming the roof. The difference in cost of raising the walls is only 50 Rupees for the whole building, and as it would be a decided improvement in every way, I shall be obliged by your recommending it.

4. The doors and windows of the building will all be of teak wood and the roofing timber Saul wood, and including the cost of raising the walls, as explained in paragraph 3, the estimate amounts to Rupees 1593. Government has already sanctioned Rupees 1500, and, as Mr. Grigg mentions in his letter, the excess of 93 Rupees will be met by local subscriptions.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Educational Department, 23rd September 1867.

From H. B. GRIGG, Esq., Acting Inspector of Schools, 1st Division, to the Executive Engineer, Vizagapatam; dated Palcondah, 15th August 1867, No. 170.

In reply to your letter, No. 164, of August 5th, received yesterday, I have the honor to forward the estimate for the additions and alterations of the Bimlipatam School, duly countersigned.

2. As my letter to the Director, together with the Director's letter on the subject to Government, requesting sanction of Rupees 1500, were communicated to the Public Works Department, it is hardly necessary that I should again dwell upon the necessity of the proposed alterations; but, with regard to the excess of the detailed estimate over the rough estimate, I consider that it would be a great pity to have part of the wood-work of the building of Yeggi wood, which must be covered, I believe, with tar for preservation, and part of Saul wood, and, rather than consent to this, I have, after ascertaining the readiness of the inhabitants to subscribe, undertaken that the difference shall be met from public subscriptions, which will be immediately raised.

3. With regard to the using the 6 feet 6 inches doors as windows, and replacing them by 8 feet doors on the rear side, it seemed to me desirable that the doors on each side of the building should correspond, and that it would be far better, in case these doors could not be transferred into 6 feet windows without considerable expense, to have them in the new room as windows. This arrangement is certainly less open to objection, as far as appearances are concerned.

4. The Municipal Commissioners of Bimlipatam have consented to the encroachment of the corner of the verandah in the cross road, as shown in your plan. Though this widening of the corner of the verandah, and its abutment into the road, is certainly rather a disfigurement to the building, yet I consider it the best arrangement that can be made, considering that the road cannot be closed. It is, however, questioned whether confining the corner of the verandah to the side of the road, instead of advancing it three feet into the road, will not be more sightly, both as regards the road and the building.

5. I quite agree with you in the necessity of raising the height of the side walls, with a view to increasing the slope of the verandah roof to one to three, and I believe that this improvement will prevent the leakage, which occurred at the Normal School, Vizagapatam.

6. I hope that these changes will not greatly lengthen the time that would have elapsed before the completion of the building according to the original plan, as the necessity of a school-house is very much felt in Bimlipatam, where about 90 boys have to be taught in a small room of a Native house, and on the pial outside.

7. I beg, in conclusion, to request, in order to hasten final sanction, that the estimates and plan, so soon as countersigned by the Superintending Engineer, may be, without delay, forwarded to the Director, for submission to Government, together with a copy of this letter.

No. 51. ORDER THEREON, 23rd September 1867, No. 301.

The Governor in Council sanctions the revised plan and estimate submitted with the foregoing letter.

(True Extract).

G. J. Cruttenden
Chief Secretary.

To the Director of Public Instruction, with five enclosures, returned.
„ Public Works Department.
„ Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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