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Government of Madras.

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. <u>1260</u>	Press
<u>457-51</u>	~~Mis.~~
Dated <u>24-4-1868.</u>	

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No. 450. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Comaraswamy Mala, 9th April 1868, No. 91:—

1. In G. O. No. 522 of 15th February 1868, communicating G. O., No. 591 of 11th idem in the Military Department, sanctioning certain arrangements proposed by the Quarter Master General for constructing, by his Department, a temporary mud shed with thatched roof at Tadputry as a Rest-house, I was directed to afford assistance, if called upon by the Military authorities. Agreeably to this order, I sent instructions to the Range Officer, and, at the request of the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General of the Division, directed Mr. Assistant Engineer Porter to depute the Talook Overseer to meet the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General at Tadputry on the 10th instant, if he (Mr. Porter) could not arrange to meet that Officer on that day, to receive instructions as to the site, &c. I also informed the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General that the Overseer would look after the construction of the shed if a plan, &c., were furnished to him.

2. In doing this I considered I was fully carrying out the order of Government, but now I have received an application to submit a plan and estimate for this temporary mud shed. I cannot suppose that Government require me to waste the time of the Department in preparing such things, and would remark that we have no data for such work. I have not the record with me, but, if my memory does not play me false, believe that the Government of India ruled that the Public Works Department were not to be called upon to submit estimates for such structures for the Police or any other Department.

3. From the letter of the Quarter Master General of the Army I should have thought that the style of building, &c., to be constructed had already been decided upon, and that only a copy was necessary for the guidance of the person superintending the execution of the work. Any plan prepared by this Department would have to be submitted for approval, and if disapproved, would have to be prepared again, and so much time would be wasted. I trust Government will not consider I am throwing objections in the way, or acting in an obstructive manner in making this reference, but some rule requires to be laid down to prevent other Departments needlessly wasting our time by asking for rough plans and approximate estimates which they don't seem to know take almost as long to prepare as the proper plans, &c.

No. 451. ORDER THEREON, 24th April 1868, No. 1,260.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 29.

Distinct authority having been given in Military Proceedings of the 11th February 1868, No. 591, for the arrangements proposed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in Colonel Cooke's letter of the 27th January 1868, No. 675, being at once carried out by the Quarter Master General's Department in communication with the Officers Commanding the Mysore Division and the Ceded Districts, the Government consider that the requisition on the Public Works Department, by the local Military autho-

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21th April 1868.

rities, for a plan and estimate for a temporary building of the character intended to be erected at Tadputry by the Quarter Master General's Department was unnecessary.

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.
Military Department.

Ed. T. O'Connor.

N. 91.

Secretary District.
Camp Comaraswamy Malai.
9th April 1868.

From

The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division

To

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT OF *Madras*

Dated 24th April 1868

Considering unnecessary
the call by the Local Military
Authorities for a Plan & Estimate
for a Temporary Rest-house in
the Bellary District to be erected
by the Quarter Master General
(Department).

No. 450 & 451