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Read the following papers :—

No. 238. Endorsement of the Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 28th August 1871.

From the Officiating Quarter Master General, to the Officiating Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Head-quarters, Ootacamund, 25th August 1871, No. 499.

ADVERTING to G. O. C. C., No. 40, dated 13th March 1871, which was issued with reference to Order of Government, No. 645, dated 4th March 1871, Public Works Department, I have the honour, by desire of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to request you will be good enough to submit the following circumstances for the earnest consideration of Government.

Consequent on the discontinuance of the quarterly issue of lime, approves of the provisions of Chapter XIII., Section 2, paragraph 6 of the Code of the Government of India being made applicable to this Presidency in order to insure the periodical repairs and internal white-washing of barracks, etc., being carried out twice a year.

2. On 17th ultimo the Officer Commanding Southern District reported that the Executive Engineer had no funds to carry out the requisite white-washing of the barracks, hospital, etc.; further that no funds were available for rethatching two of the ranges of the European barracks.

3. The Officer Commanding was then instructed to communicate with the Superintending Engineer on the question of these repairs, and General Macintire, as the result of this reference, forwards the following extracts of letters from the Superintending Engineer :—

"In August 1870 I brought to the notice of Government that the sum* "annually allowed for repairs to Mili- "tary buildings was insufficient; that "that sum was arrived at in 1865 and 1866, and that since then Military buildings "to the value of Rupees 67,394 have been constructed. But no notice was taken "of this, and the allotment for the current year has been reduced to Rupees 4,000. "A special application will, therefore, have to be made to Government for an "additional allotment if any of the works entered in list B. are to be carried out "this year, and to cover emergent repairs, etc., etc."

* Rupees 4,812.

"The Executive Engineer has been called upon to submit estimates for "white-washing the Military buildings at Trichinopoly mentioned in the requisi- "tions returned by him with his memorandum No. 111 of 15th July, and as soon "as the estimates are received an application will be submitted, through your office, "for the sums required to meet the cost of repairs stated to be urgently required.

"The barrack damages referred to in No. 209 cannot be repaired till funds "are provided in the requisition to be shortly submitted through you, unless the "repairs are really of an emergent character."

4. To the first extract from the Superintending Engineer the Commander-in-Chief desires to call the special attention of Government, wherein it is shown that although new Military buildings in his division have been erected since 1865 and 1866 to the value of Rupees 67,394, no larger amount for the necessary annual repairs has been sanctioned consequent on this increase in buildings, and further that the usual annual grant has in the current year been reduced to

Rupees 4,000. In his later communication it is stated that even the ordinary barrack damages cannot be repaired until additional funds be allotted.

5. The sanction accorded in the above quoted General Order for the periodical repairs, etc., to public buildings in accordance with the orders extant in the Bengal Presidency has, His Excellency is aware, necessitated more funds being provided under this head, and which, from the date of the promulgation of the order, could not be provided in the Budget for the current year; but, irrespective of this, it appears to the Commander-in-Chief from the Superintending Engineer's statement that the allotment of funds for the repairs in his division in the current year could not be sufficient to meet the absolute requirements, and His Excellency would express a hope that as there are still seven months of the current year to run Government will, as a measure of economy, take steps to obtain the extra funds required in connection with the repairs of public buildings, not alone in the Southern District, but in the other Commands of this Presidency.

6. In future Budgets the provision of the above O. G. will have to be considered in allotting funds for repairs, etc., throughout the several divisions in this Presidency.

REFERRED to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) A. C. SILVER, Colonel,
Offg. Secretary to Government.

No. 239. Endorsement of the Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 23rd September 1871.

From the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Brigade Major, Southern District, dated Tanjore, 28th August 1871, No. 478.

WITH reference to your letter No. 208, dated 5th instant, I have the honour to inform you that the allotment for repairs to Military buildings in Trichinopoly for 1871-72 has already been exceeded by Rupees 65, and to request that application may be made to the Quarter Master General for a further grant of Rupees 4,000, first, to cover the excess already incurred; second, to provide for the emergent works included in the list which accompanied your letter under reply; third, to admit of certain Military buildings being white-washed according to requisitions from your Office; and, fourth, to meet any future requirements on account of barrack damages, white-washing, emergent repairs, etc.

Rupees	4,000
,,	65
,,	3,217
,,	192
,,	526
,,	4,000

2. The usual allotment for repairs has been Rupees 4,812 for Military buildings only; in August 1870 I pointed out that this allotment was fixed so far back as 1865-66, and that since then new buildings to the amount of Rupees 67,394 had been constructed. In the Budget of 1871-72 I applied for Rupees 4,882 for repairs to Military buildings only, but the sum allotted was only Rupees 4,000, or Rupees 812 less than usual, and more than three-fourths of the sum allotted has been required for three works, namely:—

No. 459, in G. O., No. 2,188, of 12th September 1870. Copy enclosed.

	RS.
Re-roofing, with nanal, the five temporary ranges of Barracks occupied by the detachment of Her Majesty's 45th Regiment	1,630
Plastering over the tiled verandahs of do. do., Rupees 785. Balance of estimate of 1870-71	582
Repairs and painting, etc., to doors and windows of the Royal Artillery Barracks	980
	3,192
Of the first work, only three ranges have been re-thatched owing to the want of funds, and provision is made in the enclosed statement for re-thatching the two incomplete ranges	652
	2,540

thus Rupees 2,540 out of Rupees 4,000 have been expended on two buildings only.

3. It may perhaps be well to explain here that the second work entered above provides for relaying the pan-tiled roof of the verandahs and for covering them with chunam, so as to give them the appearance of a Bengal roof. These verandah roofs were constantly getting out of order, and the experiment of covering them in the manner indicated was tried in 1866-67 and proved to be entirely successful.

TRICHINOPOLY DISTRICT.

Supplemental Statement showing the additional grant required for Repairs Military in 1871-72.

Works.	Amount.	Total.	Remarks.
	RS.	RS.	
Amount provided in Budget for Repairs Military	.....	4,000	
Estimates sanctioned up to date	4,065		
Works emergently required.			
Re-thatching two ranges of temporary barracks...	*652	.....	* Part of estimate, Rupees 1,630, sanctioned on the 10th March 1871.
Repairs to the roof of two cook-rooms in use with the 38th Regiment, N. I.	175	.....	Estimate enclosed.
Repairing flooring of the family quarters of the 45th Regiment, E. I., with asphalte ...	550	.....	Do.
Repairs to the roof of the 26th Regiment Hospital	1,840	.....	Estimate will be forwarded in a day or two.

Supplemental Statement showing the additional grant required for Repairs, etc.—(Concld.)

Works.	Amount.	Total.	Remarks.
Works emergently required.—(Concluded.)	RS.	RS.	
White-washing, etc., to the buildings occupied by the Detachment H. M.'s 45th Regiment.	37	.....	Estimate enclosed.
Do. to the Hospitals, excluding out-buildings, in 26th and 38th Regiments, N. I., and Native Garrison Hospitals, etc.	12	.....	Do.
Do. to buildings occupied by the European Detail and Garrison Hospitals	19	.....	Do.
Do. to the buildings occupied by the Battery of Artillery	124	.....	Do.
On account of barrack damages and future emergent repairs	526		
		8,000	
Excess or additional grant now applied for ...	.....	4,000	

TANJORE,
28th August 1871.

(Signed) R. F. OAKES, Captain, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.

(Signed) A. W. MACINTIRE, Brigadier-General,
Commanding Southern District.

HEAD QUARTERS, SOUTHERN DISTRICT,
Trichinopoly, 30*th August* 1871.

No. 274.

FORWARDED to the Quarter Master General, Head Quarters, Ootacamund, in continuation of my letter No. 259, dated 14th August 1871.

2. The repairs alluded to are urgently required.

3. The estimates are retained, and will be returned to the Superintending Engineer duly countersigned as usual, as soon as it is heard that the funds now applied for are granted.

(Signed) A. W. MACINTIRE, Brigadier-General,
Commanding Southern District.

HEAD QUARTERS, SOUTHERN DISTRICT,
Trichinopoly,
30th August 1871.

No. 1,086.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government in continuation of this Office letter No. 499, dated 25th August 1871.

(By order,)
(Signed) A. HOWLETT, Colonel,
Offg. Quarter Master General.

QUARTER MASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Head Quarters, Ootacamund,
18th September 1871.

To the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

REFERRED to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) A. C. SILVER, Colonel,
Offg Secretary to Government.

No. 240. ORDER THEREON, 14th October 1871, No. 2,622.

ACCOUNT, No. 22.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor in Council observes that the allotments provided in the Budgets of 1870-71 and 1871-72 respectively under Repairs Military in the Trichinopoly District were as follows:—

1870-71. *Trichinopoly.*	RS.	1871-72. *Trichinopoly.*	RS.
		Minor repairs to buildings ...	4,000
		Cantonment roads	1,183
		House-rent to Military and	
Minor repairs to buildings ...	4,812	Medical Subordinates ...	4,100
Cantonment roads	1,188	Do. to Hospital Purveyors..	330
	6,000		9,618

2. It thus appears that although the grant for repairs to buildings was reduced by Rupees 812 the aggregate grant for the current year is Rupees 3,618 in excess of that for the past year. It is further observed that the assignment to this Presidency for Military works in 1870-71 was Rupees six lacs, while for the current year it was originally five lacs, and when the Budget was submitted to the Government of India for approval, the grant was reduced by Rupees 60,000 as shown in the following statement:—

	1870-71.	1871-72, as Budgetted for.	As sanctioned by the Government of India.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Major	3,40,000	2,30,000	1,70,000
Minor	60,000	50,000	50,000
Repairs...	2,00,000	2,20,000	2,20,000
Total...	6,00,000	5,00,000	4,40,000

3. The Government could not therefore be expected to provide larger grants during the current year with a reduced assignment at their disposal.

4. It was not until March 1871, or nearly three months after the preparation of the Budget, that it was decided on adopting the provisions of Chapter XIII., Section 2, paragraph 6 of the Code of the Government of India, which require the internal white-washing of barracks, hospitals, etc., twice a year, and His Excellency the Governor in Council being unable to supplement the allotments already made, resolves to communicate these Proceedings to the Government of India with a view to the question of placing an additional allotment, if possible, at the disposal

of this Government during the current year, and of making a more liberal assignment for next year being considered.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 241.

(DOCKET No. 2,623, dated 14th October 1871.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Quarter Master General's Office
Ootacamund 25th August 1871

No. 499.

From

Colonel Arthur Howlett C.B.
Offg Quarter Master General.

To

Colonel A. C. Silver
Offg Secretary to Government
Military Department

Sir,

Adverting to G.O.C.C. No. 40 dated 13th March 1871 which was issued with reference to Order of Government No. 645 dated 4th March 1871 Public Works Department, I have the honor, by desire of His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will be good enough to submit the following circumstances for the earnest consideration of Government.

Consequent on the discontinuance of the Quarterly issues of lime, a provision of the provisions of Chapter XIII Section 2 para 1 of the Code of the Government of India being made applicable to this Presidency in order to insure the periodical repairs and internal whitewashing of Barracks &c. &c. being carried out twice a year.

2. On 17th Ultimo the Officer Commanding Southern District reported that the Executive Engineer had no funds to carry out the requisite whitewashing of the Barracks Hospitals &c. further that no funds were available for repthatching two of the Rangers of the European Barracks.

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The Officer Commanding was then instructed to Communicate with the Superintending Engineer on the Question of these repairs and Genl Macintire as the result of this reference forwards the following Extracts of Letters from the Superintending Engineer.

"In August 1870 I brought to the notice "of Government that the sum annually allowed for "repairs to Military Buildings was insufficient, "that that sum was arrived at in 1865 and 1866, "and that since then Military Buildings to the "value of Rs 67,394 have been Constructed, but no "notice was taken of this and the Allotment for the "Current year has been reduced to Rs 1,000 – A special "application will therefore have to be made to "Government for an additional Allotment if any "of the works entered in List B are to be carried "out this year and to Cover emergent repairs &c &c.

Rs 1,812

"The Executive Engineer has been called "upon to submit Estimates for rebuilding the "Military Buildings at Jhelum only mentioned "in the requisitions returned by him on the Memo "No 111 of 15th July, and as soon as the Estimates "are received application will be submitted thro' "your Office for the sums required to meet the Cost of "Works stated to be urgently required.

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"The Barrack damages referred to "in No 209 cannot be repaired till funds are provided "in the requisition to be shortly submitted thro' you "unless the repairs are really of an emergent character."

To the last Extract from the
5.
Superintending Engineer the Commander in Chief desires to call the special attention of Government wherein it is shewn that although new Military Buildings in this Division have been erected since 1865 and 1866, to the value of Rs 67,394, no larger amount for the necessary Annual repairs has been sanctioned consequent on this increase in Buildings and further that the usual annual grant has in the current year been reduced to Rs 1,000. Sir Col Colvin Commanding it is stated that even the ordinary Barrack damages cannot be repaired until additional funds be allotted.

5. The sanction accorded in the above quoted General Order for the periodical repairs &c to Public Buildings in accordance with the Orders extant in the Bengal Presidency has His Excellency is aware necessitated more Funds being provided under this head and which from the date of the promulgation of the Order, could not be provided in the Budget for the current year, but irrespective of this, it appears to the Commander in Chief from the Superintending Engineer's Statement that the allotment

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of Funds for the repairs in his Division in the Current Year could not be sufficient to meet the absolute requirements, and his Excellency would express a hope that as there are still seven months of the current year to run Government will take steps to as a measure of economy obtain the Extra Funds required for Commencing with the Repairs of Public Buildings not alone in the Southern District but in the other Commands of this Presidency.

6. In future Budgets the previous of the above Offr will have to be considered in allotting Funds for repairs Pcr throughout the several Divisions in this Presidency.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Colonel,
Offg Quarter Master General.

Camp 1811

Statement shewing the additional grant required for Repairs Military in 1871/72.

Works	Amount	Total	Remarks
Amount provided in the Budget for repairs Military	nad	4000	
Estimates sanctioned up to date	4065		
Works emergently required			
Whitewashing & Ranges of Temporary Barracks	657		* Part of Estimate for £1630 sanctioned on the 10th March 1871.
Repairs to the roofs & Outer rooms in use with the 38 Regts Native Infantry	175		Estimate enclosed
Repairing Flooring of the Troop Quarters of the 115th Regt & 6 Companies Asphalte	550		Do
Repairs to the roofs of the 26th Regt Hospital	1840		Estimate will be forwarded in a day or two
Whitewashing &c to the Buildings occupied by the Detachment 1st Bn. 15th Regt	37		Estimate enclosed
Do to the Hospitals excluding Out buildings in the 6th & 38th Regts N. I & Native Garrison Hospitals &c	12		Do
Do to Buildings occupied by the European Detail & Garrison Hospitals	19		Do
Do to the Buildings occupied by the Battery of Artillery	124		Do
For account of Barrack damages & future emergent repairs	576	8000	
Excess or additional grant now applied for		1000	

Subject Engineer's Office 6th August 1871
Tanjore 28th August 1871

Head Quarters Southern Dist
Trichinopoly 30th August 1871
Recommended for the favourable consideration of Government
Lt Colonel
Commanding Southern Dist

Chief Engineer Madras
Submitted for the favourable consideration of Government
Lt Colonel R.E
Chief Engineer Madras

Public Works Department
Fort St George 2nd September 1871
Sanctioned
Lt Colonel R.E
Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
Military Department
Fort St George

Public Works Department
Fort St George 2nd September 1871
No 1635.
From
The Chief Engineer
To
The Secretary to Government
Military Department
Fort St George

Submitted for the favourable consideration of Government
Lt Colonel R.E
Chief Engineer

To
The Public Works Secretary

Sanctioned
Rs 26,22-623-14-0
Lt Colonel R.E
Chief Engineer

No 2178

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No 478

Engineers Office Dr
Lahore 28 August 1871

From

Captain Fisher Offg Engineer
Sixth Division

To

The Brigade Major
Southern District

Sir

With reference to your letter No 203 dated 5th instant I have the honor to inform you that the allotment for Repairs to Military Buildings in Trichinopoly for 1871-72 has already been exceeded by Rs 65, and to request that application may be made to the Quarter Master General for a further grant of Rs 4000, for whatever the Excess already incurred, viz Rs 65 may be for the Emergent repairs mentioned in the 1st which accompanied your letter under reply, 3rd to Rs 3217 to Rs 193 to Rs 526 and 4th to meet any future requirements on account of Barrack damages, Whitewashing, Emergent Repairs, &c

The usual allotment for Repairs has been Rs 1812- for Military Buildings only in August 1870 I pointed out that this allotment was fixed so far back as

Rs 4000

Rs 4000

No 459 in G.O.
No 2188 of 12th
September 1870.
Copy enclosed.

Engr. No 601

No 4636/71

No 2622.

To His Excellency the
Governor in Council

I beg to observe that the allotments proposed in the Budget of 1870/71 and 1871/72 respectively under the heads "Military Buildings in the Trichinopoly District" are as follows.

Quarter Master Genl's Office
Head Quarters Octacamund
18th September 1871

No 1086.

Submitted for the Orders of Government in continuation of this Office letter No 499 dated 25th August 1871

By order

Lt Colonel
Offg Dr Genl.

To the Secretary to Government
Military Dept

Dr 1871 Dept
Mily Disbursements
Rs 1609-
30-8-71
No 7 Rs 4636.
Under Secy to Govt
Mily Dept
Fort St George

Superintending Engr
6th Division
Tanjore
Executive Engr
Trichinopoly
Estimate
No 478. &2
Tanjore 28th August 1871.
Rec'd 2nd Sept.

Forwards supplementary statement of Funds required for Repairs Military in 1871/72 with explanation.

1 Enclosure

No 2622-2623-14/09

No 601

To
The Secretary to the Public Works Department
Fort St George

Estimate for Repairs to Military Buildings in the Trichinopoly District for the year 1871/72

No 1239

The Government could not therefore be expected to provide larger grants during the Current year with a reduced assignment at their disposal.

It was not until March 1871, or nearly three months after the preparation of the Budget, that it was decided on adopting the provisions of Chapter XIII Section 2 Para. 6 of the Code of the Govt. of India which require the internal whitewashing of

of Barracks, Hospitals &c. twice a year, and His Excellency the Governor in Council being unable to supplement the allotments already made, resolves to communicate these Proceedings to the Govt. of India with a view to the question of placing an additional allotment, if possible, at the disposal of this Government during the Current year, and of making a more liberal assignment for next year being

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Trichinopoly

Minor repairs to Buildings — 4812.
Cantonment roads — 1188
6000

1871. 72.

Trichinopoly.

Minor repairs to Buildings — 4.000
Cantonment roads — 1188
Conservancy to Native and Medical Subordinates 4,100
do Hospital Sweepers. 330
9.618

It thus appears that although the grant for repairs to Buildings was reduced by Rs. 812 the aggregate grant for the Current year is Rs. 3618 in excess of that for the last year.

It is further observed that the assignment to this Presidency for Military works in 1870/71 was, Rs. six lacs, while for the Current year it was originally 5 lacs, and when the Budget was submitted to the Government of India for approval, the grant was reduced by Rs. 60,000 as shown in the following Statement.

	1870-71	1871-72. as Budgetted for.	As sanctioned by the Govt. of India.
Major	3.40.000	2.30.000	1.70.000
Minor	60.000	50.000	50.000
Repairs.	2.00.000	2.20.000	220.000
	600.000	5.00.000	4.40.000

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Govt of India
All other Depts
Controller

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To the Military Department

and

The Secretary to the

Govt of India.

Dated

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G. O. 14 dated 1. 2622-2623.

Nos. 7 & 2111/2111

Barrackal. Fireliness &c

Proceedings of Govt. on the Genl. Mily. Dept. Letter reporting the circumstances connected with the non compliance of the Engr. Officer with the orders for the execution of certain repairs to the Barrackal. Fireliness &c and forwarding statement of funds required for Military repairs in 1871-72

Barrackal. Firelines &c

Proceedings of Govt. on the Genl. Mily. Dept. Letter reporting the circumstances connected with the non compliance of the Engr. Officer with the orders for the execution of certain repairs &c and forwarding statement of funds required for Military repairs in 1871-72