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Government of Madras.

Public works **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd October 1872.*

Read the following papers.—

No. 28. From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 19th August 1872, No. 1,892.

ADVERTING to your memorandum dated the 20th ultimo, I have the honour to forward the plan for the proposed alterations to the Post Office at Cocanada, with an estimate for the same amounting to Rupees 3,000. I have been obliged to allow a good deal for foundations, as the soil all about the existing building is all made earth and very poor.

1 Plan.
1 Abstract estimate.
1 Copy of letter of Postmaster at Cocanada, No 265, dated 14th August 1872
1 Copy of original estimate.

2. I beg to forward at the same time a letter from the Deputy Postmaster, giving the information called for by you regarding the future accommodation for the Post Office whilst the alterations are being carried out.

3. I have personally examined the site, and it is as crowded as any part of Cocanada and will not be improved by the proposed additions. I believe also the Deputy Postmaster can obtain no other accommodation than those he has indicated, and if he is obliged to live in Jaganaikpuram, the public will be greatly inconvenienced.

From the Postmaster, Cocanada, to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, dated Cocanada, 14th August 1872, No 265

ADVERTING to Captain Mead's letter * asking me to vacate the Post Office for about three months

* As the letter has been forwarded to the Inspecting Postmaster, the date cannot be given. owing to some intended repairs or alterations to be carried out, I have the honour to bring to your notice that I find great difficulty to

obtain a suitable house with a reasonable rent

2 There are two houses available, one is within a few yards of the present Post Office on the same road and in a very convenient position, but the rent is 80 Rupees per month, and another rather inconveniently situated in Jaganaikpuram, for which a rent of Rupees 45 is asked

3 As you are now in Cocanada and visited the Post Office this morning, I beg you will be so good as to recommend what is best to be done so as to give this town a desirable building for a Post Office, including quarters for the Postmaster to live under the same roof

No. 29 From the Postmaster-General, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Raichore, 21st September 1872, No. 3,546 187.

With reference to your memorandum dated 20th August 1872, I have the honour to inform you that I have forwarded to the Director-General of the Post Office of India, for sanction, the plan and estimate for Rupees 3,000,* informing him that I entirely agree with you that the use of countrywood instead of teakwood is quite sufficient, and that less expensive foundations as proposed by you are also quite sufficient, and that thereby it is expected that the actual expenditure will not exceed Rupees 2,500, the

* For the alteration and improvement of the Post Office building at Cocanada.

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amount already allotted in the Public Works Budget for the Cocanada Post Office in 1872-73.

2. I have pointed out the necessity for and requested early sanction to the measure; but considering that the allotment will be lost if the work is not executed in 1872-73, and seeing that time presses, it now appears best that steps should be taken for the work being proceeded with at once, pending sanction of the Director-General of the Post Office of India; and I request that necessary orders may be given to the Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division accordingly.

3. The other three enclosures of your memorandum are herewith returned. The plan and estimate will be sent on to the Superintending Engineer on receipt from the Director-General of the Post Office of India.

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, 3rd October 1872, No. 2,317.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 1.

THE foregoing letter from the Postmaster-General will be communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division with copy of the Chief Engineer's memorandum of the 30th August 1872, and with instruction to proceed with the proposed alterations to the Post Office at Cocanada in anticipation of the approval of the Director-General, and in conformity with the suggestions in paragraph 3 of the memorandum, for carrying out which a revised estimate will be called for from the Executive Engineer in charge of the Range.

2. The Postmaster-General will arrange for the accommodation of the Post Office while the alterations are being carried out.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Postmaster-General

- .. Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, with copy of memorandum.
- .. Controller of Public Works Accounts.
- .. Public Department.

Exd. E C Shunker.

MEMORANDUM.

THE Chief Engineer, Department Public Works, has the honour to forward to the Postmaster-General the accompanying plan with estimate of the probable cost of the proposed alterations to the Post Office at Cocanada for approval and for consideration of the question of the manner in which the Post Office is to be accommodated while the alterations are being carried out.

2. Considering that the original building, estimated at Rupees 2,960, cost, actually only Rupees 2,512, the undersigned anticipates that the Executive Engineer who carries out the work will be able to make such savings in the estimate now submitted as will bring the actual cost of the additions down to Rupees 2,500, the allotment of the current year.

3. For instance, the Superintending Engineer has allowed concrete foundations six feet wide and five feet deep in addition to ordinary foundations three feet deep. This is presumed to be much more than was found necessary for the original building. Again, teakwood has been estimated for in the roof and doors and windows at a much heavier cost than the countrywood used in the original building. The charge for contingencies may also be reduced one-half.

4. Instructions as to the revision of the estimate or execution of the work in conformity with the same will be issued on receipt of intimation from the Postmaster-General, whether he will prefer the work being executed in the superior style allowed for, or conformably to that of the original building.

(True Extract.)

OOTACAMUND,
30th August 1872.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

DOWLAISHWARUM, 19th March. 1872

From

Lieutenant Col. *Wm. H. Litch* R.E.
Superintending Engineer

1st Division

To

Colonel G. S. Salter, R.E.,
Secretary to Government D. P. W.

MADRAS

SIR,

I answering by your Memo to Lieut. No. dated the 20th Ultimo, I have the honor to forward the plan for the proposed alterations to the Post Office at Coanadah with an Estimate for the same amounting to Rspees 3000; I have been obliged to allow a good deal for foundations as the soil all about the existing Building is all made earth and very poor.

2. I beg to forward at the same time a letter from the Deputy Post-Master giving the information called for by you regarding the future accommodation for the Post Office whilst the alterations are being carried out. —

3. I have personally examined
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part of Coquandah, and I will not be
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he has indicated, and if he is obliged to
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I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Most Obedt Servt

Wm. T. L. L. L.

For the Superintendent Engineer
at Division

No. 3546
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Postmaster General's Office

Calcutta 21st Sept 1872

To
The Chief Engineer

Public Works Department

Ootacamund

Sir.

With reference to your
Memo dated 20 August 1872. I have

the honor to inform you that
I have forwarded to the Director
General of the Post Office of India

for sanction the Plan and
Estimate for Rs 3000 informing

you that I entirely agree with
you that the use of Country

Wood instead of Teakwood is quite
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foundations as proposed by you
are also quite sufficient, and that

thereby it is expected that the
actual expenditure will not

exceed

20th 1872

From

The Superintending Engineer,

Post Division

To

The Secretary to Government

Department Public Works

MADRAS

Dated 19th August 1872

Received 20th 1872

NO. 1892

ENCLOSURE

Subject.

Towards a plan and

Estimate amounting to

Rs 3000 for the proposed

additions to the Post Office

at Coimbatore

Oct 28

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exceed Rs 2500, the amount already allotted in the Public Works Budget for the Canadian Post Office in 1872/73.

I have pointed out the necessity for, and requested early sanction to, the measure. But considering that the allotment will be lost if the work is not executed in 1872/73, and seeing that time presses, it now appears best that steps should be taken for the work being proceeded with at once pending sanction of the Director General of the Post Office of India, and I request that necessary orders may be given to the Superintending Engineer's Division accordingly.

The other 3 enclosures of your Memo are herewith returned.

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The Plan and Estimate will be sent on to the Superintending Engineer on receipt from the Director General of the Post Office of India.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Most Obedt Servant.

M. H. M.
Postmaster General.

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GW

Drops at 10 p.m.
30th Aug. 1892
The Post-Master General

Alterations to
the Post Office
Building

Public Works Department
No. 2317
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Read the following
From The Chief Engineer
H.E. No. 1892 of 19th Aug. 1892
Post-Master Genl - H.E. No. 326 of 21 Sep. 1892

The foregoing letter
from the Post-Master
General will be com-
municated to the
Superintending Engineer
of the 1st Division
with copy of the Chief
Engineer's Memo. of
the 30th August 1892
and with instruction
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proposed alterations

to the Post office at
Cocanada in anticipa-
tion of the approval
of the Director General,
and in conformity
with the suggestions
in para 3 of the memo;
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GMW

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To
The Post Master Genl
S. Insp. 1st Div. Chgo of Genl.
Controller
Public Dept
Date 9/10/72

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Govt. of 1872 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Postmaster General

Dated

Recd.

Encl 2

G. O. 3rd Oct 1872 2317.

Nos. 28 & 30

Post Office at Canada.

Whereby I am instructed
to proceed into the pro-
posed alterations to the
Post Office at Canada
& the Post Master General
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the accommodation of
the Post Office while
the alterations are being
carried out.