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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE

Government of Madras

Public works.

DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	1504	Press
B.P. No.		Mis.
86-87		
Dated	6.6.	1873.

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th June 1873.*

No. 86. Read the following letter from Colonel J. BEAN, R. E., District Engineer, Coimbatore, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 20th May 1873, No. 17:—

I HAVE the honour to bring to the notice of Government that amongst the estimates forwarded to Government with Lieutenant-Colonel Farewell's letters* of the 15th November 1872, No. 191, aggregating Rupees 15,010, and sanctioned for execution in G. O. No. 93, dated 11th January 1873, was one for completing the unfinished record-room at the Huzoor Cutcherry, Rupees 4,850.

2. In this estimate provision was made for flooring 30.32 squares with asphalte. The Collector in a letter No. 84 to my address of the 24th ultimo, writes as follows:—"I have the honour to bring to your notice that an officer lately deputed by Government to inspect my press, has expressed his opinion that an asphalte floor would not stand the wear and tear of a press-room and would be soon cut up. He, therefore, recommended that the printing office be floored with cut stone." As the building originally intended as a record-room is to be used for the printing presses, I have ordered cut stone to be collected, and I beg that the cost of laying down this material, Rupees 848-15-4, may be sanctioned in lieu of the asphalte which was to cost Rupees 606-6-5. The difference in price of these materials would have exactly amounted to 5 per cent. over the estimate; but, as a sum of Rupees 266-11-8 had already been spent in procuring asphalte before the necessity for the alteration in the flooring was brought to my notice, I am not certain of recovering the full amount before the work is completed, and of bringing the total expenditure within the limit I am empowered to sanction.

No. 87. ORDER THEREON, 6th June 1873, No. 1,504.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 4.

UNDER the circumstances explained, the asphalte purchased for the Huzoor Cutcherry at Coimbatore should be treated as general "stock," by which arrangement the work will be relieved of the charge.

(True Extract.)

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

Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Coimbatore.

Ed. E. C. Shunker.

No 17. District Engineer's Office
Coimbatore 20th May 73

From,
Colonel J. Bean R.E.
District Engineer
Coimbatore

To,
Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government
P. W. Department
Madras

Sir,
I have the honor to bring
to the notice of Government that
amongst the estimates forwarded
to Government with Lieutenant Colonel

* G.O. No 1626 dated
28th Novr 1872 P.W.
Department, No
92 dated 12th Decr
1872 P. W. Depart.

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1872, No 191, aggregating Rs 15,010, and
sanctioned for execution in G.O.
No 93 dated 11th January 1873, was
one for completing the unfinished
record room at the Musoor
Kutcherri Rs 4850.

2. In this estimate provision
was made for flooring 30.32 squares
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with asphalt. The collector in
a letter to my address of the 24th 1884
writes as follows:-
"I have the honor to bring to
your notice that an Officer
lately deputed by Government
to inspect my Press, has ex-
pressed his opinion that an
asphalt floor would not stand
the wear and tear of a Press
room and would be soon cut
up. He therefore recommended
that the Printing Office be
floored with cut stone. As
the building originally intended
as a record room is to be
used for the Printing Presses,
I have ordered cut stone to
be collected and I beg that the
cost of laying down this material,
Rs 848-15-4, may be sanctioned

in lieu of the asphalt which
was to cost Rs 606-6-5. The
difference in price
of these materials would have
exactly amounted to 5 per cent
over the estimate, but as a
sum of Rs 266-11-8 had already
been spent in procuring asphalt
before the necessity for the alteration
in the flooring was brought to
my notice, I am not certain
of recovering the full amount
before the work is completed,
and of bringing the total ex-
penditure within the limit
I am empowered to sanction.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedt Servt

W. R. R. R.
District Engineer, Coimbatore

[Signature]

No 1504

P. W. D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government,

Under date the

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Read the following:—

From the P^t Engr Committee (P.E. No 17 of 20 May/73)

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-cumstances explained
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The first of these is the
 fact that the system is
 not self-sufficient. It
 is dependent on the
 government for its
 maintenance and
 operation. This is a
 serious flaw in the
 system, as it makes
 it vulnerable to
 political interference
 and corruption.

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To The Post Office
Controller

To the City 23 May 173.

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Govt. of 1873 Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The District Commr
Mysore

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 6th June 1873, No. 1504.

Nos. 86 & 87

Augur Chetty at
Mysore - Asphalte
purchased for the Chetty
to be treated as General
"Stock".