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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE

Government of Madras

Public Works DEPARTMENT

G.O. No. / ~~B.P. No.~~ 366A 366B	1867 A	Press / Mis.	
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No. 366A. Read the following letter from R. F. CHISHOLM, Esq., F. R. I. B. A., Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Ootacamund, 10th July 1873:—

I HAVE the honour to submit plans* for the proposed new Post Office and Telegraph Office. These plans have been drawn out in strict accordance with the instructions received from both the Postmaster General of Madras and the Inspector of Telegraphs.

* Three Plans.

2. I forward also four sketch elevations, showing how the façade may be treated on these plans; but as the structure will occupy a very commanding site, I would solicit permission to submit a detailed drawing at my leisure.

3. It would materially push forward the undertaking if you could obtain the permission of Government to proceed with the foundations of both buildings, debiting the cost to the grant allotted to the Telegraph Office for the current year.

4. The probable cost of the whole undertaking will be five and a half lacs of Rupees.

5. Extensive stabling will be required, and room for this accommodation can be afforded on the plot of ground south of the principal site.

No. 366B. ORDER THEREON, 21st July 1873, No. 1,861A.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 9A.

THE plans for accommodating the Post and Telegraph Departments at Madras, drawn up in conformity with the suggestions conveyed in Proceedings of the Government of India, No. 264 B. C., of 15th May 1872, fulfilling every requirement of the local heads of those departments, are approved; but the Government do not feel at liberty to authorize any expenditure in connection with works calculated to cost between five and six lacs of Rupees without the previous sanction of the Government of India. The Government Architect will accordingly expedite the preparation of more finished drawings of two of the four elevations submitted by him for approval, in order that they may be submitted together with tracings of the plans and an approximate estimate, for the orders of His Excellency the Governor General in Council. Pending receipt of which Mr. Chisholm will push on with the other works he has in hand at the Presidency, so as to be able to concentrate all his resources in labour and materials on these buildings in the latter part of the official year.

2. The site proposed for the Post Office stables is not approved, being too good and valuable for the purpose in question; and another will be selected in communication with the Postmaster General.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Postmaster General.
" Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division.
" Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Public Department.
Exd. S. T. Austin.
Spare copies.

No. 1861 P.W.D.

Rec'd from the Undersecretary

Read the following

from the Govt. Architect

Bombay, Rec'd 12th July/73.

The Plans for accommodating the Post and Telegraph Departments at Bandra, drawn up in conformity with the suggestions conveyed in Proceedings of the Govt. of India No. 364 P.W. of 13th May 1872, fulfilling

every requirement of the local heads of those Departments are satisfied: but the Govt. do not feel at liberty to authorize any expenditure in connection with works calculated to cost between 5 and 6 Lakhs of Rupees without the previous sanction of the Govt. of India. The Govt. Architect will accordingly expedite the preparation of more finished drawings of 2 of the 4 elevations submitted by him for approval, in order that they may be submitted together with tracings of the Plans and an approximate estimate for the orders of His Excellency the Governor General in Council. Pending receipt of which Mr. Chisholm will push on with the other works he has in hand at the Presidency, so as to be able to concentrate all his resources in labour and materials on these buildings, in the latter part of the official year.

The site proposed for the Post-office Stables is not approved being ~~too~~ ~~eligible~~ good & valuable for the purpose in question; and another will be selected in communication with the Postmaster General

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h/c. The Comp. Architect & Surveyor
" Postmaster Genl.
" Comptroller
" Chief Engineer
m. L. Copy forwarded 21st July/73.
Ms. dispatched 21st July/73.

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P. W. 1873 Department
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No. 4151.

From.
The Commissioners subject to
Control.

Rd. 24th } July/73.

Submitting plans for the new Post and Telegraph Offices at Madras, and requesting permission to proceed with the work.

No 366 A

No. 1861 A. 21st July/73.

site proposed

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Chimney

Chimney to burn to exhaust flues from the
furnaces for Sal Ale and Glycerine Pits -
These flues have also been built in steel
accordance with the instructions received from the
Sal Soda Company & Newton and the
Inspector of Explosives.

Chimney also from electric Station
Running have to provide some 60 Steel in these
flues, but as the Steel is very easily is also

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Commanding Site, I would solicit permission to submit a detailed drawing at my disposal.

3 I would respectfully seek forward the undertaking if you could obtain the permission of Government to proceed with the foundations of the buildings, debiting the cost to the Grant allotted to the Telegraph Office for the current year.

4 The probable cost of the whole undertaking will be £5/2 (five and a half) Lacs of Rupees.

5 Returned Stabling will be required, and room for his accommodation can be afforded on the fields of Grant Centre of the principal Site.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servt,
[illegible]

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Consulting Architect to Government

Encl.

Recd. Encl.

G. O. 21st July 1873, No. 1861 ct.

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Com Post & Telegraph

Offices at Madras.

Papers orders in letter from the Govt Architect submitting plans for Com Post & Telegraph Offices & requesting permission to proceed