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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st October 1873.*

No. 350. Read the following Endorsement of the Inspecting Engineer for Civil and Military Buildings, dated Chepauk, 8th September 1873, No. 1,070:—
From G. S. SAGE, Esq., District Engineer, Cuddapah, to Col. E. A. FOORD, R.E., Inspecting Engineer for Civil and Military Buildings, dated 26th July 1873, No. 782.

With reference to Chief Engineer's Memorandum, No. 196, of 24th March 1873, I have the honour to forward plan, site-plan, and estimate, for an inexpensive building for a dead-house at Cuddapah. The amount of estimate is Rupees 610, but if the cost of furniture (Rupees 121-8-0) is deducted, the balance of Rupees 488-8-0 will give real cost of building.

2. The Zillah Surgeon objects to anything of a mere temporary nature, and wishes a tiled instead of a thatched roof, and I think it would be preferable.

The plan and estimate of Rupees 610 (now increased to Rupees 700) for a dead-house at Cuddapah are forwarded for the orders of Government.

2 Plans.
1 Estimate.
1 Specification.
1 List of furniture.

2. The pitch of the roof, which is to be thatched, has been raised and

three weather-boards provided for in this office.

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Inspecting Engineer for Civil and Military Buildings.

No. 351. ORDER THEREON, 21st October 1873, No. 2,574.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 21.

The Inspector-General of Hospitals having in his letter, printed with G. O., No. 1,081, of 9th August 1872, recorded his opinion that a thatched roof will suffice for the covering in of dead-houses, the objections of the Zillah Surgeon and District Engineer of Cuddapah are over-ruled, and the old standard plan of G. O., No. 905, of 19th March 1869, cancelled.

2. The construction of a dead-house at Cuddapah will be proceeded with on the plan, with thatched roof, now submitted by the Inspecting Engineer for Buildings, at a cost reduced to Rupees 670 by reduction of the rate for sundries and superintendence from ten to five per cent., in which sum is included Rupees 120 for the necessary furniture.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Inspecting Engineer for Buildings.

.. District Engineer, Cuddapah.

.. Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

.. Judicial Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.
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N^o 1782.

District Engineer's Office

26 July 1873

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From

The District Engineer
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To

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Office of the Insp^g Eng^r
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Chennai 8 September
1873

Edmd Col^l R E.
Inspecting Engineer for
Civil & Military Buildings

Colonel G. H. Walker
Secretary to Government
P. W. Department.

A copy of the Standard
 Plan for Dead houses,
 submitted by Govt is res.
 The question is perfectly submitted
 of the intention with reference to the
 of Civil death - note as to the extent
 as the Board - engraving of Doctors
 Quarters of similar buildings
 have been made and one
 the District being constructed
 is still, but elsewhere, and if
 public - but returned as a Str.
 It does not seem, there is no
 sufficient reason
 really about for altering the Plan
 of Dead houses. We
 the question built there in partic.
 Now - for us. J. C. - L.M.M.

P. M. 1873 10th August
 - from 17th 1873 10th August
 The Sanitary Engineer
 for Building

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which is a little over
I have a dead house
costing \$1150 - or a little less. I have
structure. If I could a few
abandoned as I have. The
Clerk & Judge in the Union District
house will place a house. At
the dead house is not provided
for the accommodation of these
high dignitaries - the town - with
it in habitations will continue
where it is - and a dead house

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be needed as much as it now
is. I must confess that it
seems almost trifling with
of the money to I should \$115 on
a room to hold an occasional
corpse. The deaths in the hospital
are not so I should like - they
are many - and the corpses are
from elsewhere are few - so
that I should think all that
is required to my lot be provided
for much less. I do

From what is stated by Mr. Robinson at
some evidence that the houses in
as we are now erecting are unwholesome
and unsanitary and I agree with the
to be proposed from the
Mr. West found it better that
Cuddapah is to be retained as a
Civil Station. I am in respect of
the fact that I decided against
submitting but it was taken
into retention. I suggested to refer
at Cuddapah to the
before that of the
Cuddapah Civil Station
12/12/22

Letter of Mr. Robinson

Mr. Robinson Cuddapah that the Panchayat roof be
be continued as a allowed and the original
Civil Station as the estimate of Rs. 1000 same
that house contains
plates should be an aimed; the Honorable Mr.
inexpensive. No less objection no longer
useful structure a holding good as the re-
wood work that
which would be years tenure of Cuddapah for
as the house a Civil Station has been
not utterly exhausted determined on.

Get an estimate
17/9

I wish this paper to go
in

in circulation.

I think the possibility of Cuddapah being abandoned - not likely to be done - is an element of objection to this estimate.

But I would ask a reconsideration of the whole thing. I have had a good deal to do with the transmission of dead bodies to Civil Stations for examination, and I am satisfied that this outlay is needless and utterly extravagant and was formerly unheard of.

Not more than 250 murders - 12 per District - and less requiring Post Mortem examination occurs in the Presidency in the year - and in scarcely one in ten, is a body transmitted for examination to the Zillah Surgeon - and the whole operation does not take an hour in each case at most.

In former days the Tahsildar put up a few Coconut leaves or thatch over the body & operated at a cost of a few annas - the Talukdar did it - and it was quite sufficient.

Now each doctor seeks a dead-house such as would be attached to a large Hospital - The waste is unsatisfactory.

I would sanction a good Chopper of a permanent character at each Station - fire is not to be apprehended - and nothing else.

24/9

MR

26/11

No 2574 P.O. ^{Contd}
Secy of the Madras Govt.

Recd the following:

From

The Secy of the Govt.

for Buildings

(H.E. Secy 10/10/82 8th Sept 1882)

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7/10/82

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G.M.W.

N^o 350. 51.

D. 9. 6. 1873

Approved by
H. Cuddapah
C. M. W.
J. M. W.
S.C. dated 29/10/73

Cr 2949



Govt. of 1873 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

2. The Inspecting Eng.
for Buildings

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 2nd Oct. 1873, No. 2574

Nos. 350 & 351

Read House at Juddapole

Papery orders on letter
from the Inspecting Eng.
for Buildings submitting
plan & etc. for a
Read House.