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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th February 1873.*

No. 180. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 11th January 1873, No. 17 :—

UPON receipt of the Order of Government dated the 26th August 1872, No. 2,034, the attention of the Agent of the Madras Railway Company was called to the suggestions made by the Government of India in their letter No. 1,240, Guaranteed Railway, and he was asked to prepare, with reference thereto, a revised estimate of the cost of the alterations to the Arconum Station. I have now the

honour to submit a letter* from Mr. Elwin, in which he explains the circumstances under which the additional accommodation has become necessary, and requests that the proposed alterations may be sanctioned without modification.

2. With his letter Mr. Elwin forwards a revised plan and estimate, the latter amounting to Rupees 17,909. The plan includes the alterations as originally proposed; and, in addition thereto, provision has been made for a Post Office at the eastern end of the station-house, in accordance with the Postmaster General's request. As in the case of the Raichore* Station, the Post Office will be built by the Railway Company, and rent at the rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the outlay will be charged to the Postal Department.

3. As revised in this office, the amount of the estimate is Rupees 17,858. Of this the cost of the Post Office, including the rebuilding of certain out-houses now standing on the site, comes to Rupees 6,646; and the monthly rental to be paid by the Postal Department is Rupees 42. The estimated cost of enlarging the station is therefore Rupees 11,212.

4. The allocation of the cost has been revised with reference to the observations contained in paragraph 2 of the letter from the Government of India, and the sum which it is proposed to charge to Capital is Rupees 15,656, leaving Rupees 2,202 as a charge upon Revenue.

5. The alterations to the station are urgently required, and as it is of great importance that the work should be begun without delay, I trust that His Excellency the Governor in Council will see fit to accord sanction at once to the estimated capital outlay, namely, Rupees 15,656.

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 4th January 1873, No. 3.

With reference to your letter No. 707, of the 3rd of September last, and to G. O., No. 2,034, of the 26th of August, I have the honour to forward herewith, for submission to Government, a revised plan* and estimate* of the cost† of

* In duplicate.
† Rupees 17,909.

the proposed alterations and additions to the Arconum Station.

2. A Post Office of the size asked for by the Postmaster General (see his letter to you, No. 3,929, dated the 4th October last,) has been added on the plan to the eastern end of the station buildings, and the out-houses, which at present occupy this site, are shown at the end of the platform.

3. It is proposed that rent for the Post Office shall be charged at the rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the cost of the works coloured green on the plan, as they are all contingent upon the proposal of the Postmaster General. Calculated thus the rent would be Rupees 42 per mensem.

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8th February 1873.*

4. I learn from the Chief Engineer that the other alterations shown on the plan are the same as those recommended by him in June last—vide my letter to you, No. 446 of the 26th June 1872. He adds:—"The reasons given in my letter No. 489* of 22nd October last, with

* Vide my letter to you, No. 776, 23rd October 1872.

reference to the alterations at the Salem Station, apply with still greater force to Arconum. "This station when originally built, and for several years subsequently, had but a limited traffic to accommodate. The completion of the through communication with Bombay has however materially increased its importance, and there is no station on our line where suitable provision or third class passengers and increased refreshment-room accommodation are more urgently needed.

"A reference to the plan will show that it is proposed to convert the present Station Master's room into a Telegraph Office, so that it is plain a separate provision is required for a luggage room."

5. I may add, with reference to paragraph 3 of my No. 776 of the 23rd of October 1872, that the proposed alterations at this station were considered at the meeting held in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at the same time that the alterations at the Salem Station were discussed, and I trust therefore that the Government of India will be pleased to sanction the plan and estimate as now submitted.

6. Information as to the allocation of the cost between Capital and Revenue and provision of funds is shown on the estimate, and also the date on which the sanction will lapse.

7. As we are put to great inconvenience in working, owing to the present inadequate accommodation at Arconum, I trust that I may be favoured with authority to proceed with the work as soon as possible.

No. 181.

ORDER THEREON, 8th February 1873, No. 426.

RAILWAY, No. 23.

THE estimate of Rupees 17,853 submitted with this letter for alterations and additions to the Arconum Station

on the Madras Railway will be forwarded for the sanction of the Government of India, with an expression of the concurrence of His Excellency the Governor in Council in the necessity for the proposed alterations, and the Government of India will be requested to communicate by telegraph their authority to the prosecution of the work.

2. It is observed that the present estimate includes a sum of Rupees 6,646 on account of a Post Office to be built on the station premises, for which a rental of Rupees 42 is proposed to be charged; but it does not appear equitable to charge the Postal Department with more than a per-centage on the actual cost of the accommodation, namely, Rupees 2,061. The removal of the out-houses being as much contingent on the other extra buildings as upon the Post Office which will occupy the site of the present out-offices solely for the convenience of the Railway Authorities.

(Here enter No. 427, dated 8th February 1873.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Postmaster General.
" Public Department.
Exd. S. T. Austin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 8th February 1873.

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No. 427.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY, No. 24.

SIR,—With reference to your letter No. 1,240 G. R., dated 5th August 1872, I am directed to forward the accom-

panying letter from the Consulting Engineer giving cover to one from the Agent of the Madras Railway, in which the absolute necessity for the proposed alterations and additions to the Arconum Station being carried out in the manner originally designed is explained. I am to state that His Excellency the Governor in Council fully concurs as to the nature and extent of the alterations recommended, the more so as there is every probability of Arconum eventually being the junction station with the Carnatic Company's line, and inconvenience is even now felt in working the traffic at the station, owing to the limited accommodation. I am accordingly to express a hope that, on re-consideration, the Government of India will accord their sanction to the estimated expenditure of Rupees 17,858, and to request that authority for the prosecution of the work may be communicated by telegraph.

2. It will be observed that the present estimates include a sum of Rupees 6,646 on account of a Post Office which it is proposed to build on the station premises, and for which it is proposed that the Postal Department be charged rent at the rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the capital expended, or Rupees 42 per mensem. There appears however no good reason why the Post Office should necessarily occupy the site of the present out-offices, the removal of which is quite as much necessitated by the other additions. Rent therefore will only be charged on the actual cost of the accommodation provided, namely, $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the capital outlay of Rupees 2,061.

3. The suggestion of the Government of India in regard to the allocation of the expenditure between Capital and Revenue has, I am to add, been duly attended to.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd S. T. Austin.

Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

Upon receipt of the order of Government dated the 26th August 1872, No 2034, the attention of the Agent of the Madras Railway Company was called to the suggestions made by the Government of India in their letter No 1240 Guaranteed Railway, and he was asked to prepare with reference thereto a revised estimate of the cost of the alterations to the Arcot Station. I have now the honour to submit a letter from Mr. Colvin, in which he explains the circumstances

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circumstances under which the additional accommodation has become necessary, and requests that the proposed alterations may be sanctioned without modification.

2. With his letter Mr. Blunt forwards a revised plan and estimate, the latter amounting to Rs 17,909. The plan includes the alterations as originally proposed; and, in addition thereto, provision has been made for a post-office at the eastern end of the station-house, in accordance with the Postmaster General's request.

As in the case of the Raichore Station, the post-office will be built by the Railway Company, and rent at the rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on the outlay will be charged

* Vide G.O.
22nd Nov. 1897.
No. 2809.

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to the postal department, viz Rs 400. In addition, under the Office, the amount of the estimate is Rs 17,858. Of this, the cost of the post office, including the rebuilding of certain out-houses now standing on the site, comes to Rs 6,646; and the monthly rental to be paid by the postal department is Rs 222. The estimated cost of enlarging the station is therefore Rs 11,212.

4. The allocation of the cost has been revised, with reference to the observations contained in paragraph 2 of the letter from the Government of India, and the sum which it is proposed to charge to Capital is Rs 10,656, leaving Rs 2,202 as a charge upon Revenue.

5. The alterations to the station are urgently required; and as it is

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGERS OFFICE.

Madras, 4th January 1873.

From

The Agent and Manager of the M. R. Co.

To

Lieut. Colonel J. H. M. Shaw Stewart

Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Sir,

With reference to your letter N^o 707 of the 3rd of September last and to G. O. N^o 2034 of the 26th of August, I have the honour to forward herewith for submission to Government a
*in duplicate revised Plan and Estimate of the cost of the proposed alterations and additions to the Arcot station.
Rs 17909

2. A Post Office of the size asked for by the Post Master General (see his letter to you N^o 3929 dated the 4th October last) has been added on the Plan, to the Eastern end of the station buildings, and the out Houses which at present occupy this site are shown at the end of the Platform.

3. It is proposed that rent for the Post Office shall be charged at the rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on the cost of the works coloured green

is of great importance that the work should be begun without delay, I trust that His Excellency the Governor in Council will see fit to accord sanction at once to the estimated Capital outlay, namely Rs 15,656.

I have the honour to be Sir
Your most Obedient Servant.

Madras 11th January 1873
J. H. M. Shaw Stewart
Consulting Engineer for Railways

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green on the Plan, as they are all contingent
upon the proposal of the Postmaster General.
Calculated thus the rent would be Rupees 42
per annum

4. I learn from the Chief Engineer that
the other alterations shown on the Plan are
the same as those recommended by him in
June last vide my letter to you N^o 446 of the
26th June 1872. He adds "The reasons given
in my letter N^o 489 of 22nd October last
with reference to the alterations at the Salem
station apply with still greater force to
Arcotum."

* vide my letter
to you N^o 776
23rd October 1872.

"This station when originally built and
for several years subsequently, had but a
limited traffic to accommodate. The completion
of the through communication with Bombay
has however materially increased its im-
portance, and there is no station on our
line where suitable provision for 3rd Class
passengers, and increased refreshment
room accommodation are more urgently
needed."

"A reference to the plan will show
that it is proposed to convert the present
station Master's room into a Telegraph
Office, so that it is plain separate
provision

"provision is required for a luggage room."

5. I may add with reference to Paragraph 3 of my No 776 of the 23rd of October 1872 that the proposed alterations at this station were considered at the Meeting held in the Council Chamber Fort Saint George at the same time that the alterations at the Salem station were discussed, and I trust therefore that the Government of India will be pleased to sanction the Plan and Estimate as now submitted.

6. Information as to the allocation of the cost between Capital and Revenue and provision of Funds is shown in the Estimate and also the date on which the sanction will lapse.

7. As we are put to great inconvenience in working owing to the present inadequate accommodation at Arcum, I trust that I may be favoured with authority to proceed with the work as soon as possible.

Have the honour to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient Servant,

J. H. Mellis.
 for the Agent and Manager

From
 MADRAS RAILWAY,
 The Agent and Manager.
 To
 The Consulting Engineer
 for Railways.
 Dated
 1st
 Decr.

MAADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated 4th January 1873.

Recd.

~~6th Jan~~ 3.

*Forwarding Plan and
estimate of the cost of the
proposed alterations and
additions to the Arcot
Station*

D.R. 207/73.

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.
1873

From
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort Saint George.

Dated 13th January 1873
Recd. 13th January 1873

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Submitting a letter
received from the Agents
re-ly explaining the
additional accommoda-
tion at Arcot station
has become necessary,
& requesting the accord
sanction to the estimates
Capital outlay Rs. 15656.
No 426-87 July/73

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6000 Aug/73 (R. 21st)

No 426 P. W. D.
Proceedings of the Madras Govt.
From
The Consulting Engineer
for Rys
(H. E. Esq. 17th Jan/73)

The Estimate
of Rs. 17858 submitted
with this letter for altera-
tions and additions to
the Arcot Station
on the Madras Railway
will be forwarded for the
sanction of the Government
of India with an expres-
sion of the concurrence
of His Excellency the
Governor

Governor in Council in the
necessity for the proposed
alterations, and the Govern-
ment of India will be
requested to communicate
by telegraph their authority
to the prosecution of the
work.

It is observed that
the present Estimate included
a sum of Rs 6646 on
account of a Post Office
to be built on the Station
premises for which a rental
of Rs 42 is proposed to be charged;
but it does not appear
equitable to charge the Postal
Department with more than
a percentage on the actual
cost of the accommodation
viz

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To The Comd Engineer
for Railways
" Post Master Genl
" Public Dept-1

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No 427

To The Secretary to the
Government of India.

Sir,
With reference to
your letter No 1240 G. R.
dated

viz Rs 2061-1-0. The
removal of the out-housed
being as much conve-
nient as the other extra
buildings as upon the
Post Office which will
occupy the site of the
present out Office solely
for the convenience of
the Railway Authorities.

dated 5th August 1872 I am
directed to forward the
accompanying letter from
the Consulting Engineer
giving cover to one from
the Agent of the Madras
Railway in which the
absolute necessity for the
proposed alterations and
additions to the Arcot
Station being carried out
in the manner originally
designed: is explained -
I am to state that His
Excellency the Governor in
Council ^{fully} concurs as to the
nature and extent of the
alterations recommended,
the more so as there is
every probability of
Arcot

Arcot eventually
being the junction station
with the Carnatic Com-
pany's line, and incon-
venience is even now
felt in working the traffic
at the station, owing
to the limited accommo-
dation - I am accordingly
to express a hope that
on reconsideration,
the Government of India
will accord their sanction
to the estimated expen-
diture of Rspees 17,858,
and to request that
authority for the prosecution
of the work may be com-
municated by telegraph.
It will be
observed

observed that the present
Estimates include a
sum of Rupees 6646
on account of a Post
Office which it is proposed
to build on the Station
premises and for which
it is proposed that the
Postal Department be
charged rent at the rate
of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on the
Capital expended, or
Rupees 42 per annum.
There appears however
no good reason why the
Post Office should neces-
sarily occupy the site of
the present out Offices
the removal of which
is quite as much necessitated
by

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by the other additions.
Rent therefore will
only be charged on
the actual cost of the
accommodation provided
viz $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on
the Capital outlay of
Rupees 2061-1-1.

The suggestion
of the Government of
India in regard to
the allocation of the
expenditure between Capital
and Revenue has, I am
to add, been duly attended
to.

C. J. G. M. W.

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Govt. of 1873 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Consulting Engineer for
Railways
To The Secretary to the Govt.
of India.

Dated

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Arconum Railway Station.

Passing orders on ^{the} Estimate
for alterations and additions
to the Arconum Station
on the Madras Railway.

Forwarded with re-
marks, estimate for altera-
tions and additions to the
Arconum Station on the
Madras Railway.

20 July 1873 @ 21/10