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Government of Madras

Public Works

DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
16th February 1876.*

No. 273. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E., District Engineer, Madura, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madura, 2nd February 1876, No. 4,049 :—

ADVERTING to G.O., of the 16th October 1875, No. 2,967, received in this office on the 30th October 1875, I have the honor to forward sketch designs for a

Telegraph Office at this station, in which I have endeavoured to follow as closely as possible the instructions sent to me; the estimated cost of the proposed work is Rupees 27,250, without any provision for land compensation; and I beg, further, to point out that no compound wall could be allowed for, as we do not know the area to be enclosed, and no requisition is made for cook-house and latrines, which I suppose will have to be constructed.

2. In order to maintain the alignment of all walls uniformly throughout, and so facilitate construction as much as possible, and to give the necessary accommodation to the Telegraph Master, I have had to increase the dimensions of the receiving-room from 16×12 to 16×16 , which affords him two rooms upstairs, one 16×16 and the other 24×16 , equal to the area assigned to him, viz., two rooms each of 20×16 ; and I have added two bath-rooms, $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ each, in the rear verandah for his use in lieu of one $10 \text{ feet} \times 10 \text{ feet}$.

3. The Inspecting Officer's bath-room is somewhat larger than that proposed, but as it is on the upper-story this could not be avoided without introducing a beam to carry a partition wall and breaking the uniformity of the design, in all other respects the general instructions have been strictly adhered to.

4. The estimated cost of this is Rupees 27,250, and if to this sum a compound-wall, cook-houses, and latrines have to be added, as well as the compensation for land, I do not think the whole sum required for the purpose will be less than Rupees 40,000.

5. I have sent up the papers in the rough that further orders on the subject may be obtained from the head of the Telegraph Department, and to see if the general arrangements are approved of; on a former occasion I had to prepare several designs for a similar purpose, and after months of work the whole was ordered to be changed, and no good results were obtained after all.

No. 274. ORDER THEREON, 16th February 1876, No. 416.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 12.

ORDERED that the Government of India be addressed on this subject with reference to their letter, No. 165 A.—T., of 30th September 1875.

(Here enter, No. 417, dated 16th February 1876.)

(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Madura.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 16th February 1876.

No. 275.

No. 417.

FROM

MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 13.

SIR,—In reply to your letter, No. 165 A.—T., of 30th September 1875, I am directed to forward copy of Proceedings of this Government, No. 3,467, of 7th December 1875, from which it will be seen that the Telegraph Department decline to avail themselves of any existing building in Madura as unsuitable for their purposes. And in his letter No. 1,887, of 7th October, the Director-General of Telegraphs has requested that plans and estimates for a new building on a scale laid down by him may be furnished.

2. The District Engineer of Madura has reported that to provide such accommodation would cost Rupees 27,250, exclusive of compensation for the site, which does not seem to have been determined, and of the cost of a compound-wall, cook-houses, and latrines. These would probably raise the total cost to Rupees 32,000; and though possibly one-eighth of that sum might be saved by re-arrangement of the building, which has been planned with an unnecessary amount of verandah space, still the excess would be at least Rupees 10,000 over the sum named in your letter under reply.

3. I am therefore to request instructions whether detailed plans and estimates for providing all the accommodation laid down as requisite are to be prepared, in reliance on provision at an early date of a sum of, say, Rupees 30,000 for the work.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major-General, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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Received at the District Engineer's office
No. 4049/81 dated 21 February 1876.
By the District Engineer's office
To the District Engineer, Colonel J. F. Fischer R.E.
From the District Engineer, Madras.
Under copy of the letter of the District Engineer, Madras, dated 16th February 1876, to the Secretary to Government, Madras.
The Secretary to Government, Madras.

Sir,

And in reply to Es. O. of the 16th

2 Enclosures
3 Designs
(sent separately)

October 1875, I have the honor to forward sketch designs for a Telegraph office at the station in which I have endeavored to follow as closely as possible the instructions sent to me. The estimated cost of the proposed work is Rs. 27,250 without any provision for land compensation, and I beg further to point out that no compound wall, could be allowed for as we do not know the area to be enclosed, and no requisition is made for cook house, and latrines, which I suppose will have to be constructed.

It will be proper to maintain the alignment of all walls uniformly throughout and so facilitate construction as much as possible, and to give the necessary accommodation to the Telegraph Master.

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3. The inspecting officer's bath room is somewhat larger than that proposed, but as it is on the upper story this could not be avoided without introducing a beam, to carry a partition wall and breaking the uniformity of the design, in all other respects the general instructions have been strictly adhered to.

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Your most obt. servant
W. T. Titchin Esq. Col. R. S.
District Engineer, Madras

149-9-21 Jan 76
 3487-9-11 Dec 75
 3104-9-22 Nov 75
 2967-9-16 Oct 75
 2945-9-15 Nov 75

No 416
 Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 16 Feb 1876

Read the following:—

From
 The District Engineer
 Madurai } (H.E. No. 1049 of 22nd Feb 1876)

Ordered that the
 Government of India
 be addressed on this
 subject with reference
 to their letter No. 165 A-I of
 30 September 1875.

H.E. No. 417 of 16 Feb 1876
 No 417
 To The Secy. to the Govt.
 of India & Co.

Sir In reply to your letter
 No. 165 A-I of 30 September
 1875 I am directed to for-
 ward copy of Proceedings

S. E. Madurai.
 27.2.76

Encl. 1876 Repl.
 From
 The District Engineer
 Madurai
 To
 The Secretary
 to Government P. W. D.
 No 4049
 Dated 2nd Feb 1876
 Recd. S. Feb 1876
 Encl. 2 X
 With Dispatch (No. 1049)
 Forwarded to
 Secy for a Deliberate
 Office proposed to be
 established at Madurai.

No 273
 Encl 12-2-76
 G.O. No 416.17. 16.2.76

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G.M.V.

With 65c of previous No.
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Decr/75

Dropt. 27.2.76

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Govt. of 1876: Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To J. E. Madras
Govt. of India

Dated

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G. O. 16th Feb. 1876, No.

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Nos.

273 @ 2/5

Inquiring whether detailed
plans & estimates for pro-
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laid down as requisite for the
Telegraph office at Madras
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to the provision of a sum about
Rs 20,000 for the work.

Telegraph office at Madras
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on the subject of accom-
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