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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

15th October 1877, No. 1,032 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following papers:—

No. 152. From R. F. CHISHOLM, Esq., Consulting Architect to Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 15th May 1877, No. 991.

I HAVE the honor to request that you will bring the following matter to the notice of Government and to solicit orders on the subject.

2. At such places as I have designed buildings I have been in the habit of issuing orders to the local officers who have on their side received them; thus at Ootacamund, Madura, Trivellore, Combaconum, Trichinopoly, &c., although no specified rules were ever laid down by Government, my position as Consulting Architect was properly considered sufficiently defined in itself to carry a certain amount of authority with it, and the fact that no circumstances arising therefrom have necessitated references to Government is a proof that I have exercised this authority with discretion.

3. On my recent visit to Madura I became conscious of the advisability of issuing the most stringent orders in regard to the Madura Palace Works; but it was pointed out to me that orders on the subject of buildings could only come through the Chief Engineer for Roads and Buildings, *vide* memorandum No. 269-A, dated the 7th February, and that I myself was powerless to address either a District Engineer or any superior officer of the Government except through the medium of the same channel. The wording of the memorandum in question certainly supports this view. I would therefore solicit Government to grant me permission to exercise direct authority on works and schemes undertaken from my designs as heretofore, and also to use my discretion in communicating with the Government as heretofore.

No. 152-A. From the same Officer, dated Chepauk, 30th July 1877, No. 1,076.

I HAVE the honor to forward you copy of a letter received through the District Engineer, Madura, from the Assistant Engineer, on the subject of the allotment for the repairs of Teroomal Naick's Palace. I beg to call your attention to my letter No. 991, dated 5th May 1877, and reminder as marginally noted and to solicit an early reply.

1 Letter.

Letter No. 1,061, dated 9th July 1877.

From H. B. HUTCHINGS, Esq., Assistant Engineer, of the Madura Division, to W. S. HARINGTON, Esq., District Engineer, Madura, dated Madura, 23rd July 1877, No. 1,450.

WITH reference to your endorsement, No. 485, dated 7th ultimo, on the Consulting Architect's letter No. 1,014, dated 4th idem, I have the honor to inform you that nothing has yet been heard from that officer regarding the manner in which the sum of Rupees 10,000 allotted for Teroomal Naick's Palace is to be utilized during the current year.

2. One-third of the official year has already been exhausted and nothing has been spent, and I therefore request that you will be so good as to move Mr. Chisholm to submit his proposals regarding the utilization of the amount in question.

No. 201.

FORWARDED to the Consulting Architect to Government, with a request that he will be good enough to state whether he proposes to utilize the current year's budget allotment of Rupees (10,000) for the Palace. His No. 1,014, dated 4th ultimo, was communicated to the undersigned on the 7th idem.

MADURA,
25th July 1877.

(Signed) W. S. HARINGTON,
District Engineer, Madura.

No. 153. ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1877, No. 1,032 W.

THE Government approve of the Consulting Architect giving instructions as hitherto on the spot to the local executive officers in charge of works designed by him and over which the Government look to him to maintain supervision. A note of the instructions should, as far as possible, be given in writing, and copy furnished to the District Engineer.

2. It is of course understood that the prior sanction of Government is necessary for any important deviation from approved plans or increased expenditure.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the Consulting Architect.
To District Engineers.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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ROADS AND BUILDINGS.

CONSULTING ARCHITECT'S OFFICE,

No. 991. *Chepauk, 15th May* 1877.

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FROM

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT TO GOVERNMENT,

To

THE CHIEF ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
BUILDINGS AND ROADS BRANCH.

SIR,

Enclosures.

I have the honor to request that you will bring the following matter to the notice of Government and to solicit orders on the subject

2. At such places as I have designed buildings, I have been in the habit of issuing orders to the local officers who have on their side received them, thus at Ootacamund, Madura, Trivellore, Combaconum, Trichinopoly &c., although no specified rules were ever laid down by Government my position as Consulting Architect was properly

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3. On my recent visit to Madura I became conscious of the advisability of issuing the most stringent orders in regard to the Madura Palace Works, but it was pointed out to me that orders on the subject of buildings could only come through the Chief Engineer for Roads and Buildings, vide Memorandum No. 269 A dated the 7th February and that

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

R. Chisholm.
Consg: Architect to Govt.

Revenue No 269 Ad 7-2-77.

P.W.D.
17 MAY 77
No. 4978

ROADS AND BUILDINGS.

From

The Consulting Architect

to Government,

To

The Chief Engineer, P. W. Department,
Buildings and Roads Branch

No. 991

Dated 15th May 1877

Received

No. of Enclosures.

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ROADS AND BUILDINGS.

No. 1076

Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, 30th July 187 7.

From

The Consulting Architect to Government,

To

The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department,
Buildings and Roads Branch.

Sir,

Enclosures.
1 Letter

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Letter No. 1061 of 9th July 1877.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most Obedt servt

E. Fellowes
Consulting Architect to Govt.

ROADS AND BUILDINGS.

rom

The Consulting Architect
to Government,

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The Chief Engineer, P. W. Department,
Buildings and Roads Branch.

o. 1076

Dated 30th July 877.

Received

No. of Enclosure

Teroomal Naicks Palace
Madura.

G O 15. Oct. 77 No 1824 152 A

Madura Division Office
Madura 23d July 1877.

No. 1450

From

The Assistant Engineer
Madura Division

To

The District Engineer
Madura.

Sir

With reference to your Endorsement No. 485, dated 7th ultimo on the Consulting Architects letter No. 1014, dated 4th Idem I have the honor to inform you that nothing has yet been heard from that Officer regarding the manner in which the sum of Rs. 10000 allotted for Teroomalay Naicks palace is to be utilized during the current year.

One third of the Official year has already been exhausted and nothing has been spent and I therefore request that you will be so good as to move Mr Chisholm to submit his proposals regarding the utilization of the amount in question.

I have &c
signed H. B. Hutchings
Asst Engineer
Madura Division

No: 217 True Copy

Forwarded to the Consulting Archt to Government with a request that he will be good enough to state whether he proposes to utilize the Current years Budget allotment of Rs.(10000) ten thousand for the Palace. His No: 1014 dated 4th ultimo was communicated to the undersigned on the 7th Idem.

Madura
25th July 1877

signed W. L. Harington
District Engr. Madura

True Copy

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Consg Archt to Govt

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1032 W Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 15 Octr/77

Read the following:—

From the Consg Architect to Government (H. C. No: 991 dated 15th May 1877)
do — (C. 1076 — 30th July 77)

There will not be any objection to the Consulting Architect giving orders on the spot, to Local Officers regarding architectural and constructive details of works which he has himself designed, but these orders must be in writing. Orders involving increased expenditure or alterations of sanctioned plans cannot be given to the Local Officers.

GL
22/8/77

Std say
"The Superintendence of the C.A. Giving instructions as to work on the spot to the Local Executive Officers in charge of works designed by him & over which he has supervising & inspecting duties of the most frequent nature as forms provide he gives in writing & keeps provided by the Std Dept."
This proves unobjectionable that the prior sanction of Govt is necessary for any deviation from approved plans, or increased expenditure

Do add the word "important" before deviations & details are permissible in writing & decreases of such nature &c &c

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

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Recd. Encl.

C. O., 15th Oct 1877, No. 1032W

Nos. 151-153

The Consulting Architect to Government authorized to give instructions as hitherto to on the spot to the Local Executive Officers in charge of works designed by him

Ld Stanley
22-10-77

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