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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 228	(W)	Press ~~Mis.~~
Dated 12-6-		1877.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

12th June 1877, No. 228 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following papers :—

No. 101. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department,
dated 29th May 1877, No. 1,845.

ABSTRACT.—*Old Jail at Neddivuttum used as a Bark-drying Shed.*—Sanctioning
estimate for renewing the roof of the —, amounting to Rupees 6,500.

No. 101-A. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department,
dated 9th June 1877, No. 1,932.

G.O., 29th May 1877, No. 1,845, Revenue Department, will be communicated
to the Accountant-General with a request to transfer Rupees 4,000 to the Public
Works Department for the execution of the work. The balance will be provided in
next year's Budget.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Offg. Secy. to Govt.

No. 102. ORDER THEREON, 12th June 1877, No. 228 W.

COMMUNICATED to the District Engineer, Nilgiris.

2. This sanction is registered as Special No. 26 B of 1877-78.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, Nilgiris, with note by His Grace the Governor.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Note by His
Grace the Governor.

"The beating flues ap-
peared to me last season, when I in-
spected the place, to be extremely dan-
gerous. and the old roofing need not be
renewed because of nail holes which
are commonly stopped by a small rivet
put in each. Rivetting the roof joints
and filling filling pieces in the flitches at
the ridge and eaves will be as effectual
in closing roof as the plank and mat
and not cost so much."

/ True Copy /

Chambers
Atty Secy to Govt.

ADVISABLE TO REGISTER THE SANCTION
TO ESTIMATE IN THE P.W. DEPARTMENT
2. THE OUTLAY WILL EITHER HAVE
TO BE DEBITED TO THE CIVIL DEPART-
MENT, OR IF THE FUNDS ARE TRANS-
FERRED FROM THE REVENUE TO THE P.
W. BUDGET, TO THE PROPER HEAD OF
SERVICE IN THE P.W. ACCOUNTS.

Lily
8/6 C.

To Hon. Secretary -
to the work to be
carried out by the
P.W. Dept. - if so
will you please have
the necessary funds
transferred.

9/6/77

Received of the
Hon. Secretary
the sum of Rs. 100/-
on account of the
P.W. Dept. for the
year 1877-78.

Atty. Secy.

GOVT.
OF MADRAS.

1877.

P.W.
DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Madras,

6 June

1877.

OFFICE NOTE.

To

C.

*Who is requested
to state whether the
sanction should be
registered in the P.W.
Office or not.*

WLS

MADRAS, 8TH. JUNE 1877.

TO DY. W.

FROM THE PAPERS IT IS APPA-
RENT THAT THE WORK (CONVERTING THE
OLD JAIL AT NEDDIVUTTUM INTO A
PLACE FOR DRYING CINCHONA BARK) IS
TO BE EXECUTED FROM FUNDS PROVIDED
IN THE REVENUE BUDGET. AS HOWEVER
THE WORK IS TO BE CARRIED OUT BY
THE P.W. DEPARTMENT (DISTRICT ENGI-
NEER, NILGIRI.), IT WILL BE

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

29th May 1877, No. 1,845.

Read the following paper:—

No. 561. Read the following letter from A. McC. WEBSTER, Esq., Acting Commissioner of the Nilgiris, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, 12th May 1877, No. 34.

In paragraph 4 of my letter of 6th January, No. 119, I stated that the old jail at Neddivuttum required re-roofing; and an allotment was sanctioned for the purpose.

2. I have now the honor to submit a plan and estimate drawn up by the District Engineer for re-roofing the building at Neddivuttum, and to enclose a copy of the District Engineer's letter on the subject. The estimate amounts to Rs. 6,500, or Rs. 500 more than the total allotment for repairs in the Budget. I trust, however, that Government will sanction the estimate, as the work is emergent, and cannot be postponed without serious damage to the bark.

3. It may be possible to defer the re-roofing of the old jail at Dodabetta until next year, in which case an allotment in the next Budget will be made. The cooly lines at Neddivuttum, however, require repair, and the work has been commenced, so that I am afraid it will not be possible to keep within the Budget allotment this year, and that an additional sum of about Rs. 1,500 will have to be expended. I trust that Government will sanction this increase.

4. The old jail at Neddivuttum is used as a drying shed, and the late Commissioner, in his letter of 10th December 1875, No. 94, applied for the sanction of Government to an expenditure of from Rs. 8,000 to Rs. 10,000 for the construction of partition walls in the building and of screens over the furnaces. Government, in their Order of 20th December 1875, No. 1,825, sanctioned the immediate construction of partition walls, but deferred issuing orders as to the furnaces, pending further information as to their plan and arrangement. The Commissioner was directed to consult the District Engineer, and to submit detailed plans showing the existing furnaces and the manner in which it is proposed to secure protection against fire.

5. It does not appear from my office records that the District Engineer was consulted, and no plan was received. The partition walls were erected, and I am informed that, under a verbal arrangement between Mr. Cockerell and the late Mr. Melvor, the flues and furnaces at Neddivuttum were protected. At Dodabetta temporary flues and furnaces were newly erected. The latter work cost about Rs. 300, but I am unable to state the expenditure on repairs and new works the year 1875-76, or during 1876-77, as the expenditure on repairs and new works was not kept separate, but was lumped together under "Buildings."

6. The Budget allotments and expenditure also are no guide to the cost, for I find that in 1875-76, the year in which the Government sanctioned the construction of partition walls, the Budget allotment for repairs was Rs. 1,500 and the expenditure was Rs. 4,383; also that in 1876-77 the allotment for repairs was Rs. 3,500 (which sum Government, in paragraph 4 of their Order, of 6th January 1876, No. 15, considered sufficient, on the understanding that the partition walls and furnace screens would be completed within 1875-76), while the expenditure amounted to Rs. 6,835. This expenditure of Rs. 6,835 was incurred on repairs (including partitions and furnace screens), and new works, such as cooly lines at Neddivuttum and Dodabetta. I am unable, as I mentioned above, to state the particular sum expended on each work, as no particulars were kept.

Revenue Department, 29th May 1877, No. 1,845.

7. The existing flues and furnaces are, in my opinion and that of Mr. Rowson, dangerous, and I think that hot-water pipes should be substituted. I have asked the District Engineer, in conformity with paragraph 2 of the G.O., of 20th December 1875, to prepare a plan of the existing flues and a plan and rough estimate of the hot-water pipes, and this, when ready, will be submitted to Government, meanwhile the existing flues can be used this year.

8. I have also asked him to prepare a rough estimate for a store in which to keep the dried bark until it is ready for transmission to Madras. Captain Morant's time is now, he states, fully occupied, and I have told him, therefore, that these two estimates can be sent in during the monsoon.

9. The work for which I now submit an estimate is, however, very emergent, and I beg therefore that the sanction of Government to its being undertaken may be communicated to me by telegram, so that it may be put in hand at once. Captain Morant states that he cannot undertake to re-roof the building before the rains, but promises, if sanction is at once accorded, to roof one of the large rooms before monsoon. This will be of little use, as the bark only takes three days to dry, and there will be no place to store it in. Unless, therefore, the work is pushed on with the greatest expedition, so as to be fully completed by the 15th June, we shall not be able to get in our full crop of bark which, at the present high prices, will be a serious loss to Government.

10. I called for the estimate on the 22nd March, and stated the work was very emergent, but Captain Morant was unable to submit it earlier owing to other pressing work.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Captain J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., District Engineer, Nilgiris, to A. McC. WEBSTER, Esq., Acting Commissioner of the Nilgiris, dated Ootacamund, 9th May 1877, No. 178.

WITH reference to paragraph 5 of your letter, No. 179, of the 22nd March 1877, I have the honor to forward a plan and estimate (the latter amounting to Rs. 6,400) for repairing the main roof of the bark-drying shed at Neddivuttum.

2. The corrugated iron of the present roof cannot be used again. It was, I hear, second-hand when originally put up, and has since been covered with thatch, the nails to fasten which have been driven through the corrugated sheets. Large stones have also been laid on the roof to keep it from being blown off; these have bent and injured the sheets. The wood-work of the roof is entirely of jungle wood. All, except the trusses, is either rotten or has sagged. Mr. Rowson informs my Overseer that the hot air must be prevented from escaping from the interior of the building. To effect this, I estimate for planking and coir matting under the corrugated iron.

3. I must apologise for the delay in submitting this estimate; other pressing work has stood in the way.

4. I fear that I cannot undertake to re-roof the whole before the rains, but if sanction be at once accorded, I would try to re-roof one of the large rooms before the rains commence.

No. 876.

ORDER THEREON, 29th May 1877, No. 1,845.

Miscellaneous.

His GRACE the Governor in Council sanctions the estimate received with the foregoing letter, amounting to Rs. 6,500, for renewing the roof of the old jail at Neddivuttum now used as a bark-drying shed. The amount in excess of the Budget entry of Rs. 6,000 (repair of permanent buildings and cooly lines) must be met from savings in the Budget, as must be the expenditure on the cooly lines mentioned in paragraph 3.

2. It appears from the observations in paragraphs 4 and 5 that G.O., dated 20th December 1875, No. 1,825, has been practically unnoticed as well as left unanswered. The actual expenditure in 1876-77 was largely in excess of the Budget allotment, and appears to have been utilised on new as well as repair-works, though no new works were provided for in the Budget of that year.

Revenue Department, 29th May 1877, No. 1,845.

3. The submission of the estimates adverted to in paragraphs 7 and 8 is awaited.

(True Extract.)

McC. Webster
Secy. to Government.

To the Commissioner of the Nilgiris
,, the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department, with copy of His Grace the Governor's Note in MS.

GOVT.
OF MADRAS.

1877.

P.W.
DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Madras, June 5th

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OFFICE NOTE.

To Res. Luty

My dear Master

I have let you see
this from the Government's
original note as some
technical words used
by this from seem to me
to have been misread
by the typist of the
England note.

Yours faithfully
W. H. H.

Please return this file
as it is and I'll take
care the original note
is returned to you im-
mediately. I have read it
W. H. H.

The original en-
closed as before
W. H. H.

No 5467

REVENUE.

GOVT. OF MADRAS.

THE COMMISSIONER OF THE NILGIRIES.

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MAY

No 601-662

Communicated
to the District Engineer
Nilgiris.

W. H. H.

OF

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O.R. Nilgiris with copy of
Mr. Brace's note.
Ex. P. Brace

Exd. H.

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No 1932 Public Department

Proceedings of the Indian Government

Under date the 9th June 1877.

By Order of the

By O. 29th May 1877 & 1845,

Revenue Department, will be communicated

to the Accountant General with a request

to transfer Rs. 4,000 to the Public Works

Department for the execution of the work.

The balance will be provided in next
year's budget.

/ True Extract /

Quartermaster

Offy Secy to Govt.

To
The Public Works Department

Exd. H

40127 June 30 1877

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From
The Revenue Dept.

Dated 9 June 77.
No 1932

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<sup>Building & roads
Civil work</sup>
P.W. Department
No 228 W

Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Under date 12th June 1877

Read the following

Proceedings of the Revenue Department (H.B. No 1845 d/29th May 1877)
do do do (" No 1932 d/9 June 1877)

Communicated
to the District Engineer,
Nidgherries. W.H.
11.6.77

This sanction is registered
as Special No 26 W of
1877-78.

To The District Engineer, Nidgherries
with note by His Grace the Governor

The Engineer Pub. Works Acct.

Drpd
19-6-77

Building
Public Works
No 5759
14/10
1877

To
The W. & A. Gilman

Dated

14/10

Recd.

G. O. 12th June 1877 No. 2286

Nos. 101-102

Old Jail at Reddickville
used as a Bath. drying
The Gilman Dr
Properly to be sanctioned
revenue for securing the
roof of the - - - - -
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But in 1877