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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

12th November 1881, No. 2816 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 63. From J. W. RUNDALL, Esq., Superintendent of Works, Kistna, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Masulipatam, 5th October 1881, No. 1416.

- 1 Estimate in duplicate.
- 1 Plan.*
- 1 Copy of letter No. 27, dated 3rd February 1881, from District Judge.
- 1 Copy of letter No. 207, dated 5th October 1881, from District Judge.

* Sent in a banghy parcel.

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith, for the approval and sanction of Government, an estimate of Rs. 6,848 for the repairs and alterations necessary to convert the Nawáb's bungalow at this place into a District Court and Registrar's office. The purchase of the bungalow was sanctioned in G.O., No. 2931 W., of the 21st December 1880.

2. The submission of this estimate has been delayed owing to discussions as to the best method in which the building could be arranged to suit the intention of Government in purchasing it.

3. It is not found possible however to arrange for the District Court and the District Munsiff's Court being located together in this building, or for as much accommodation being given to the District Registrar as he requires, and as is specified in the letter from the Inspector-General of Assurances in his letter of the 6th July 1881, printed in G.O., No. 1783 W., of the 21st July current. In this order it is stated that two rooms, each 30 × 20 or 1,200 square feet, besides a verandah, are required. The accommodation according to the plan now prepared is only 710 square feet. I proposed to allot room No. 13 in the opposite wing, but both the late and present Judge state that they think it should be allotted for the use of the Vakeels practising in the Court.

4. You will see from the plan showing the proposed arrangements that no space can be found for the District Munsiff's Court. The proper course would seem to be to hand over the present District Court to the Munsiff when the repairs to the Nawáb's bungalow are completed, and the District Court is shifted over. The rent now paid for a house for the District Munsiff's Court will then be saved.

5. I forward copies of letters received from the late and present District Judges on the subject of the arrangements to be made for altering the building and accommodating the Court and Court establishment.

6. I cannot understand how the Collector, Mr. Horsfall, proposed to find accommodation for the District Court, the District Munsiff's Court, and the District Registrar, as reported in his letter No. 261 of the 14th February to the Military Secretary to His Grace the late Governor, nor is Mr. Smith, Assistant Engineer, who is stated to have concurred in that opinion, able to indicate any other plan than to place the Munsiff's Court in the two rooms now allotted to the Sheristadar and Judge's clerks, and to place the Munsiff's establishment in the maty's godowns and butler's godowns

in the basement. These basement rooms, from their want of height and of ventilation, are quite unfit for occupation as public offices. The placing of two public Courts in such close proximity would cause mutual disturbance, even were the two rooms referred to of sufficient size to form a suitable Court for the Munsiff; they are however much too small.

From W. F. GRAHAME, Esq., Acting District Judge, Kistna, to the Superintendent of Works, Kistna, dated Masulipatam, 3rd February 1881, No. 27.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 228, dated 11th January 1881, and in reply to inform you that I quite agree with you that it will be very inconvenient to have the District Moonsiff's Court as well as the District Registrar's office in the same building with the District Court. I think that it will be better for the District Moonsiff of Masulipatam to hold his Court in the present District Court House after the new District Court house is ready for use.

2. The rough plan received with your letter is herewith returned as requested.

3. I propose to give up to the Registrar the rooms indicated in the plan by a cross in ink.

From S. T. McCARTHY, Esq., Acting District Judge, Kistna, to the Superintendent of Works, Kistna, dated Masulipatam, 5th October 1881, No. 207.

I HAVE the honor to return, countersigned by me, the plan and estimate forwarded with your letters of the 15th and 20th ultimo, Nos. 1187 and 1236, respectively.

2. From the inspection of the building I am of opinion that the arrangements proposed are the best that can be made under the circumstances. The portion intended to be used as a Judge's Court will do sufficiently well for the purpose. The drawback will be that a portion of the wall which now separates the two rooms will have to remain, but this cannot be helped, and is not of much consequence. Even excluding the space taken up by that wall, the superficial area of those two rooms (which according to the plan is 1,251 square feet)* is a trifle greater than that of the present Judge's Court (which, on measurement, I find to be 1,240 square feet†). The present Court is not inconveniently small.

3. It is out of the question, I think, giving to the District Registrar more space than is at present provided for him. A room for the Vakeels is very necessary, and none of the rooms in the basement story would do for them. In fact the rooms in that story are only fit to be used as godowns; and, owing to their situation and defective ventilation, are quite unsuited for office purposes.

4. So far from allowing extra accommodation to the District Registrar, I am of opinion that he should not be accommodated in the building at all, as it is barely sufficient for the purposes of a District Court alone. There is certainly not much room to spare.

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* $24\frac{1}{2} \times 30 = 735$
$17\frac{1}{2} \times 29\frac{1}{2} = 516$
1,251

† i.e., 40 feet by 31 feet.

No. 2411.

MEMORANDUM.

SUBMITTING estimate, amounting to Rs. 6,848, for converting the Nawáb's bungalow at Masulipatam into a District Court and Registrar's office.

Submitted for the approval of Government in the Judicial Department.

(By Order.)

CHEPAUK,
20th October 1881.

(Signed) R. THOMPSON, Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
for Deputy Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

No. 1,786.

APPROVED and returned.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT,
7th November 1881.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Acting Under Secretary.

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No. 64. ORDER THEREON, 12th November 1881, No. 2816 W.

THE estimate amounting to Rs. 6,848, for converting the Nawáb's bungalow at Masulipatam into a District Court and Registrar's office, is sanctioned for entry in the Provincial Budget for 1882-83.

2. This sanction has been registered as Provincial No. 93 W. of 1881-82 and classified as Civil Buildings, Original Works.

(True Extract.)

Lieut.-Col., R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Second Circle, with two enclosures.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts, with duplicate Abstract Estimate.
" Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1881} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
SECOND CIRCLE,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated November, 12th.

Issued

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 12th November 1881, No. 2816 W.

NOVEMBER.
Nos. 63-64.

Nawab's bungalow at Masulipatam.—Estimate amounting to Rs. 6,848 for converting the — into a District Court and Registrar's office, sanctioned.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

21st December 1880, No. 2,931 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following papers :—

No. 85. From the Supt. of Works, Kistna, dated 10th Sept. 1880, No. 1,137.

No. 85-A. From „ „ „ „ „ 4th Oct. „ No. 1,352.

No. 85-B. Endorsement in the Revenue Department, dated 1st December 1880, on letter from the Acting Collector of Kistna, dated 19th November 1880, No. 2,576.

No. 86. ORDER THEREON, 21st December 1880, No. 2,931 W.

THE purchase of the Nawab's house at Masulipatam for a sum of Rs. 25,000 is authorised. The Collector will arrange the details of the transfer of the property to Government, applying to the Superintendent of Works, Kistna, for the purchase money.

2. The Superintendent of Works will submit an estimate of the cost of the requisite repairs, for which there is a provision of Rs. 5,000 included in the allotment of Rs. 30,000 made in G.O., No. 1,819 W., dated 30th July 1880.

3. Any unspent balance should be surrendered in time to admit of its being otherwise utilized.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintendent of Works, Kistna.
„ Collector of Kistna.
„ Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
„ Revenue Department.
„ Judicial do.

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

Govt. of 1880 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS,
KISTNA,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated December, 21st

Issued

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 21st December 1880, No. 2,931 W.

DECEMBER.
Nos. 85-86.

Nawab's House at Masulipatam.—Authorises the purchase for the sum of Rs. 25,000 of the — and calls for an estimate for repairing it.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

21st July 1881, No. 1,783 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following papers :—

No. 35. Proceedings of Government, Judicial Department, dated 6th June 1881, No. 1,118.

From G. HAMNETT Esq., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Superintending Engineer, Second Circle, dated Párvatipur, 18th February 1881.

REFERRING to the correspondence ending with my letter No. 39 of the 24th January 1881, I have the honor to transmit in original* a letter from the Registrar of North Arcot, with its enclosures, and to inform you that I agree with that officer in thinking that the accommodation provided for the Registration Department in the 2nd class Taluk Cutcherry to be built at Tirutani is inadequate; and that it would be preferable to place the Post Office in the room assigned for the Sub-Registrar and extend the building, so as to adapt it (according to the sketch adverted to in paragraph 2 of my letter above cited) for the requirements of the Registration Department.

* No. 10, dated 27th January 1881.

No. 100 W.

FORWARDED to the Chief Engineer with the following remarks.

2. The plan and estimate for a new Taluk Cutcherry was sanctioned by Government in G.O., No. 2,706 W., dated 25th November 1880. No funds have as yet been allotted to the work. The plan is according to the standard design; the accommodation allowed for the Sub-Registrar's office is a room of 16 × 8 feet, it is believed that no accommodation for the Post Office, for which a room 16 × 8 is allotted, is required, and that this may be made available as has been done in other places for the Sub-Registrar, the position of the doors being altered.

One original letter from Inspector-General of Registration (to be returned).

The Inspector-General of Registration supports his Sub-Registrar's proposal for another room 20 × 16 feet. This is more than has been given in other places, and the Superintending Engineer requests that the accommodation to be supplied for Sub-Registrar's office may be laid down by Government should it be considered that that allowed in the standard plans is not sufficient.

COIMBATORE, (Signed) H. R. MEAD, Major, R.E.,
3rd March 1881. Suptg. Engr., Second Circle.

No. 591.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Department.

9th March 1881. (Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 25th March 1881, No. 148.

IN returning the papers received with endorsement No. 494, dated the 12th March 1881, I have the honor to state that if the accommodation allotted in the standard design of 2nd class Taluk Cutcherry for the Post Office is assigned to the Registration Department no further addition need be made to the Cutcherry to be built at Tirutani.

2. On the general question of accommodation for Sub-Registrars, I beg to refer to the sketch plan approved by Government in their Judicial Proceedings, No. 112, dated 20th January 1881, and to state that it would be preferable that the space allotted in the designs for Taluk Cutcherries should be so arranged as to secure the objects aimed at in the sketch plan, viz. :—

(*a*) to keep the records distinct, and
(*b*) to have the clerks so placed as to keep them under the immediate eye of the Registrar, and preclude them from having access to parties coming for registration.

3. The Superintending Engineer, Second Circle, states that "no funds have as yet been allotted" for building the Taluk Cutcherry at Tirutani. With reference to this I would respectfully point out that if the provision of accommodation for the Registration Department is to depend upon the provision of funds for the erection of Taluk Cutcherries, there appears to be little prospect of the accommodation urgently needed in many places being provided within any reasonable time.

From the Postmaster-General, Madras, dated 30th May 1881, No. A 1,371-413.

IN reply to your official memorandum No. 754, dated 23rd April 1881, I have the honor to state that the room in question, 16 × 8 feet, in the Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry at Tirutani, will not be sufficient for the purposes of the Post Office, and may therefore, as proposed, be made over to the Registration Department.

COMMUNICATED, with letter from the Inspector-General of Registration, dated 25th March 1881, No. 148, to the Public Works Department, with reference to endorsement in that Department, dated 9th March 1881, No. 591.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Offg. Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.

No. 35-A. From the Superintendent of Works, Presidency, dated 20th June 1881, No. 1,048.

No. 35-B. From the Superintending Engineer, First Circle, dated 22nd June 1881, No. 673.

No. 35-C.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 1,522.

WITH reference to letter from the Inspector-General of Registration No. 148, dated 25th March 1881, recorded in G.O., Judicial Department, No. 1,118, dated 6th June 1881, the undersigned has the honor to remark that the sketch plan approved in G.O., Judicial Department, No. 112, dated 20th January 1881, does not appear to give sufficient accommodation, and to request that the Inspector-General will be good enough to state exactly what accommodation is necessary for Registrars and Sub-Registrar's Offices.

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2. If this be approved the Consulting Architect will be directed to prepare the necessary standard designs for the sanction of Government.

3. It is requested that the above information may be submitted as soon as possible as Superintending Engineers are awaiting the settlement of this question, to enable them to prepare plans and estimates for registration offices where required in their respective circles.

(By Order.)

(Signed) C. C. RAWSON, Captain, R.E.,
Ag. Dy. Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

28th June 1881.

To the Inspector-General of Registration.

No. 35-D. From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Tennelly, Coimbatore, 6th July 1881, No. 376.

REFERRING to your memorandum No. 1,522, dated the 28th June ultimo, I have the honor to annex an extract (paragraph 8) from my letter to the Chief Secretary to the Government, No. 272, dated 11th May 1881, recorded in Judicial Proceedings, No. 1,145, dated 9th June 1881.

2. The accommodation provided in the sketch plan approved in Judicial G.O., No. 112, dated 20th January 1881, seems to me to be sufficient for *Sub-Registry* offices, but should you think otherwise it may be enlarged.

3. For *Registrars'* Offices there should be at least two rooms 30 × 20 feet, with a verandah on one side.

4. Fire-proof rooms are desirable, but there are no funds available at present for the construction of such rooms.

5. The windows in the record-room should, I think, be made with iron bars and strong wooden shutters.

6. To save delay and correspondence I beg to hand you a letter,* with enclosures, from the Acting Superintendent of Works, Godávari, to my address, and to request that you will be pleased to advise him of the accommodation which may be finally determined upon for *Sub-Registrars* and *Registrars'* offices respectively.

* No. 823, dated 25th June 1881.

From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 11th May 1881, No. 272.

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8. The plan approved of by the Government affords ample accommodation for every Sub-Registry Office, but for the District Registrars' Offices the dimensions would have to be altered to suit the exact requirements of each office. I say each office, as the records and establishments of some Registrars are more extensive than others.

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No. 35-E. From Superintending Engineer, Third Circle, dated 16th July 1881, No. 288 W.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, 21st July 1881, No. 1,783 W.

ORDERED that the sketch plan approved in G.O., Judicial Department, No. 112, dated 20th January 1881, be forwarded to the Consulting Architect in view to the very early preparation of standard designs, with estimates and specifications, for Registrars and Sub-Registrars' Offices, attention being given to the remarks of the Inspector-General of Registration as to dimensions, &c., in his letter No. 376, dated 6th July 1881.

2. The estimates, &c., for Registry offices at Cocanada and Amalápuram will be returned to the Superintendent of Works, Godávari, who will resubmit them with the necessary alterations on receipt of standard designs.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Consulting Architect to Government,
with sketch plan and copy of G.O., No. 260 W., dated 31st January 1881.
To Superintending Engineers.
To the Superintendent of Works, Godávari, with twelve enclosures.
To other Superintendents of Works.
To the Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1881) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT,
TO GOVERNMENT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated July, 21st.

Issued

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 21st July 1881, *No.* 1,783 W.

JULY.
Nos. 35-36.

Registrars and Sub-Registrars' Offices.—An approved sketch plan of a Registration Office forwarded to the Consulting Architect in view to the preparation of standard designs, with estimates and specifications, for —.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

27th August 1881, No. 1771.

Court-houses.

Read the following papers :—

From L. McIVER, Esq., Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, Appellate Side, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 18*th August* 1881, *No.* 1632 [*Current No.* 2473].

From a copy of the South Malabar District Judge's letter, No. 307, dated 1st August 1881, to the address of the Chief Secretary to Government, on the subject of the construction of a new Court-house, the High Court learns, for the first time, that there has been any correspondence on this subject, and I am to ask that the High Court may be favored with a copy of G.O., dated 25th June 1881, No. 1247, Judicial Department.

2. The High Court gathers that the plan of the proposed building provides for a single record-room for the Courts of the District and Subordinate Judges. This is an arrangement in which the High Court cannot acquiesce. The responsibility of the several Record-keepers of the several Courts is, and, in the High Court's opinion, should remain distinct; and if the record of several Courts are placed under one roof, provision must be made for separate rooms, so that there may be no opening for confusion of responsibility.

3. I am again to ask that the recently adopted practice on the part of District Judges of corresponding with Government direct, and without the knowledge of the High Court, on matters within the control and supervision of the Court, may be distinctly prohibited, except in cases of emergency, and also that all Government Orders on matters affecting the Judicial Department may be communicated to the High Court.

From H. WIGRAM, Esq., Officiating District Judge of South Malabar, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Calicut, 1st August 1881, *No.* 307.

With reference to G.O., Judicial Department, dated 25th June 1881, No. 1247, I have the honor to state that the site of the new Court-house has been surveyed and plans prepared by Mr. Pringle, the District Engineer, under instructions from Major Meade, the Superintending Engineer of the Circle. Both of these officers held consultation with me as to the required accommodation, and the plan adopted appears to be excellent in design and to satisfy every requirement. It will be observed that I propose to amalgamate the Sheriff and Copyist Department of the three Courts, and to place the records of my own and the Sub-Judge's Court under one roof. This is in accordance with a suggestion made by Mr. P. P. Hutchins, the District Judge of Madura, who by experience has found that he can work these departments more economically when amalgamated.

2. If the plans are sanctioned by Government it will only remain to find the funds, and I again respectfully submit that the work is very urgent, and that it will be unsafe to occupy the present building during another monsoon. The owner of the present building is, of course, unwilling, under present circumstances, to execute substantial repairs.

3. I have had a statement prepared showing the actual receipts and disbursements of all the Courts in South Malabar during the last three years. This shows that there is an average annual surplus of more than Rs. 1,20,000 on the regular establishments and Rs. 10,000 on the process-service establishments after allowing 10 per cent. for pensionary liabilities—total Rs. 1,30,000.

4. The average annual surplus in the three Courts, which it is proposed to accommodate in the new building, is more than Rs. 32,000, and I venture to submit that, with these figures before them, the Government will feel justified in providing a liberal grant for the current year, and the balance at the commencement of the next official year, so that the building may, if possible, be completed before the end of May 1882.

From H. WIGRAM, Esq., Officiating District Judge of South Malabar, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Calicut, 22nd August 1881, No. 343 [Current No. 2529].

On 1st August 1881 I addressed to you a letter which was by mistake forwarded to the Registrar of the High Court. The Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court have found fault with me for corresponding directly with Government, but I am not aware of any standing order requiring me to transact *all* correspondence with Government through the High Court.

2. The correspondence between Mr. Stuart and the Government in connection with the Court-house in 1875 was carried on directly with Government, and I adopted the same course. I have now the honor to submit a copy of the letter and request that early orders may be passed.

ORDER THEREON, 27th August 1881, No. 1771.

Copy of the order applied for in paragraph 1 of the Registrar's letter will be furnished.

2. Paragraph 2 of the aforesaid letter will be communicated to the Public Works Department in continuation of G.O., 25th June 1881, No. 1247.

3. The attention of all District Judges will be called to the remarks made in paragraph 3, in view to their discontinuing the practice objected to by the Honorable the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court.

(True Extract.)

J. A. Davies
Ag Under Secy
for *Chief Secretary.*

To the Registar, High Court, with copy of G.O., 25th June 1881, No. 1247.
" the Public Works Department.
" the District Judge, South Malabar.
" all other District Judges.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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P. W. C. No 5188

No 2281 W d/ 16th Septr 1881
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Communicated to the Supdg Engr 2nd Circle in continuation of G.O. No 1670 W d/ 6th July 1881.

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Govt. of (1881) Madras.

JUDICIAL.

To
The REGISTRAR, HIGH COURT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated August, 27th.

Issued

Recd. 12th Sep: 81 End.

G.O., 27th August 1881, No. 1771.

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B No 2281 W
D/16th Sept/81

Court-houses.—Paragraph 2 of letter from the Registrar, High Court, conveying the Court's disapproval of the provision in the plan of the new Court-house of a single record-room for the Courts of the District and Sub-Judges of South Malabar, communicated to the Public Works Department; and the attention of all District Judges called to the remarks made in paragraph 3, in view to their discontinuing the practice of corresponding with Government direct, and without the knowledge of the High Court, on matters within the control of the Court.

To
The S.E. 2nd Circle

Despd
16/9/81

Entd in Receipt Regr with order.

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P. W. DEPARTMENT—1881-82.

~~MEMORANDUM.~~

Current No. 5865

Letter Number 1416.

dated the 5th October 1881.

from the Supgt. ~~Engineer~~ of Works Kistna.

Note of Remarks.

The Estimate with Plan for the Repairs & Alterations necessary to Convert the Nawabs' Bungalow at Masulipatam, into a District Court & Registrars' Office, Kistna Dist, amounts to Rs, 6848.

The Purchase of the Bungalow was sanctioned in G.O, No 2931 W. dated 21st December 1880.

Copies of letters from the late & present Dist Judges on the subject of the arrangements made for altering the building & accommodating the Court & Court establishment.

The rates agree with the Dist Schedule.

The Estimate has been approved of & Countersigned by the Dist Judge.

15th October 1881.

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C. No. 5865

P. W. Secretariat.

Note by Budget Section.

Work

Converting the Nawab's bungalow at Masulipatam into a District Court and Registrar's office.

Remarks and References.

Fund Provincial

Service Head Civil Buildings

Departmental Head Orig. Works

Amount of estimate ... ... Rs 6848

Expenditure in previous year ... ... " "

Allotment in current year ... ... "

Balance required to complete ... 6848

Total Rs. 6848

Note of available funds.

No funds are available. If approved the work can be provided for in next year's Budget

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Budget Clerk.

Note by Budget Section.

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No. 1416

Superintendent of Works Office,
Kistna, Masulipatam
5th October 1881

Dpd 7th

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From

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To

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

J. W. Rundall
Superintendent of Works,
Kistna.

Compd

Vide G.O. Judl. No. 1771 d/27 Augt 1881

P. W. C. No. ~~5805~~

From
The Superintendent
of Works Kistna.

To
The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.
Madras.

Dated 5th }
Despd 7th } October 1881
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No. 1416.

Nawab's Bungalow Masulipatam - Submits, Plan & Estimates for Converting the — into a District Court House with remarks.

In Jud. No. 3110/81

No. 27

District Court, Kistna
Masulipatam
3rd February 1881.

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From
The District Judge,
Kistna.

To
The Superintendent of Works
Kistna.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 228 dated 11th January 1881 and in reply, to inform you that I quite agree with you that it will be very inconvenient to have the District Moonsiff's Court as well as the District Registrar's Office in the same building with the District Court. I think that it will be better for the District Moonsiff of Masulipatam to hold his Court in the present District Court house after the new District Court house is ready for use.

2. The rough plan received with your

letter is herewith returned as requested.

3. I propose to give up to the Registrar the rooms indicated in the plan by a cross in ink.

I have &c.

(Signed) W. F. Grahame

Acting District Judge.

(True Copy)

J. W. Rundall

Superintendent of Works,
Kistna.

Compt. H.W.

Lr. Judl. No. 3110/81

No. 207

District Court, Kistna.
Masulipatam.
5th October 1881.

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From

The District Judge,
Kistna.

To

The Superintendent of Works,
Kistna.

Sir,

I have the honor to return, counter-signed by me, the plan and Estimate forwarded with your letters of the 15th and 20th Ultimo, Nos. 1187 and 1236 respectively.

2. From the inspection of the building I am of opinion that the arrangements proposed are the best that can be made, under the circumstances. The portion intended to be used as a Judge's Court will do sufficiently well for the purpose. The draw-back will be that a portion of the wall which now separates the 2 rooms will have to remain, but this cannot be helped and is not of much consequence. Even excluding the space taken up by that wall, the superficial area of those 2 rooms (which according to

the plan is 1251 square feet*) is a trifle greater than that of the present Judge's Court (which, on measurement, I find to be 1240 square feet#). The present Court is not inconveniently small.

$* 24\frac{1}{2} \times 30 = 735$
$17\frac{1}{2} \times 29\frac{1}{2} = 516$
1251

# is 40 feet by 31 feet

3. It is out of the question, I think, giving to the District Registrar more space than is at present provided for him. A room for the Vakeels is very necessary and none of the rooms in the basement story would do for them. In fact the rooms in that story are only fit to be used as godowns; and, owing to their situation and defective ventilation are quite unsuited for Office purposes.

4. So far from allowing extra accommodation to the District Registrar, I am of opinion that he should not be accommodated in the building t all, as it is barely sufficient for the purposes f a District Court alone. There is certainly hot much room to spare.

I have &c
(Signed) J. J. McCarthy
Acting District Judge

(True Copy)

J. W. Rundall
Superintendent of Works, Kistna.

Compd J.W.

CURRENT No. 3110

No. 2411.

P.W.D.

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Memorandum

Letter from the Superintendent of Works Kistna No. 1416 dated 5th October 1881.

Submitting estimate amounting to Rs. 6.848 for converting the Nawab's bungalow at Masulipatam into a District Court and Registrar's Office.

Submitted for the approval of Government in the Judicial Department.

(By order)

Chepauk
20th October 81

Thompson
Lt. Col. R.E.
for Dy Chief Engr P.W.D.

The Judicial Department
with papers in original
(requested to be returned)

CM

For Hon Mr Carmichael

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No 1786

Approved and returned.

J. Forbes

Ag Under Secy.

Fort St George.
7 11 /1881.

Please put up papers showing why the building was taken over

f.b. no. 2931 W. 21-12-80.
" " 1783 W. 21-7-81.
" " 2281 W. 16-9-81.
C.E. " 2411 20-10-81

C. 10.11. R. 12.11.
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Jud^l 1881. Dept.

Public Works Department.

P. W. C. No. 6301

No. 2411

Dated 20^th October /81

Despatched 21st

Received 24

Recd. 8. Octob. 81

CURRENT No. 3110.

6 Encs.

7 Enclos.
(1 plan).

SUBJECT.

Submitting papers in original from the Supdt of Works Kistna regarding the Convertion of the Nawab's bungalow at Masulipatam into a District Court & Registrar's office.

With order

No 2411 of 20-10-81.

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Lt Col. R.E.

For Dy. Ch. Engr P.W.D

To

The Judicial Deptt

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Despd with C no 5805 21/10/81

B. No 2281 W d/16-9-87.
G.O. No 2931 W d/21-12-80
G.O. No 1783 W d/21-7-81.
15-11-92

C.E. No 2411 d/20-10

No 2816 W 19/2816 B. of Works

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 12th November 1881

Read the following:—

From,

The Supdt. of Works, Kistna (Ex. No 1416 d/5 Octr 1881)
To " Judicial Department (" " 2411 d/20th " ")
From, Do do (" " 1786 d/7th Novr ")

The estimate amounting to R. 6848, for converting the Nawab's bungalow at Masulipatam into a District Court and Registrar's office is sanctioned for entry in the Provincial Budget for 1882-83.

2. The sanction has been registered in Provincial

No. 93 W of 1881-82 and

classified as Civil Buildings

Original Work.

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10/11/81

To,

The Supg. Engineer 2nd Circle

with 2 Enclosures

" Examiner P.W. Accounts

with duplicate abstract

" Judicial Dept.

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C. 10. 11.

15-11-92

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Govt. of (1881) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated 14/11/

Issued

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 12th Novr. 1881, No. 2816 W.

Nos. 63 to 64

Nawab's bungalow at Masulipatam.

Estimate amounting to Rs 6848 for converting the —, into a District Court and Registrar's Office sanctioned.

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