

No 35

Madras
Inspector General of Jails Office
26th February 1881

From,

Lieut. Col. J. E. Tennant
Inspector General of Jails

To,

The Honble. R. Davidson C.S.I.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

Sir,

With reference to G.O. No. 1952 W
dated the 16th August 1880 in the Depart-
ment of Public Works, I have the honor
to forward a plan and estimate together
with certain Correspondence regarding the
execution of the work of strengthening
the Hospital Windows of the Central Jail
at Vellore, in the manner proposed by
the Chief Engineer.

The original estimate sanctioned
in G.O. dated 19th May 1880 No 1193. Amount-
ed to Rupees 640. This estimate provided
for

Medical Depart-
ment 20th August
1880. No 2002

Plan
estimate
instead of
original
estimate
of 1880
Medical Officer
Letter from the
Superintending
Engineer dated
23rd October
1880.
Letter from
Superintending
Engineer to
Chief Engineer
dated 11th Feb
1881.

(When requested)

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not used

for examining the iron bars of the windows, for removing any that were found defective and replacing them by whole lengths of iron, for placing flat pieces of iron on the top and bottom of the frames and rivetting the end of the bars, and thus making the windows thoroughly secure.

3 Colonel Sankey on inspecting the Bellare jail in July last, examined the Hospital windows with a view to rectify the defects commented on in Judicial Department Proceedings No. 565 dated 10th March 1880, and made certain proposals which were approved of by Government in their order quoted in the margin. An estimate was accordingly prepared by the Executive Engineer, amounting to Rupees 950, but this estimate on revision by the Superintending Engineer was

was reduced to Rupees 490.

4 One window has, as a specimen, been strengthened as proposed by Colonel Sankey, and having had an opportunity of inspecting it, I am of opinion that the work should not be carried out in the manner proposed, for the following reasons:—

Firstly—One of the defects of the jail Hospital at Bellare, is the want of light and the medical officers have frequently brought this defect to notice. I agree with these officers in thinking that the plan now proposed for strengthening the windows will undoubtedly shut out some light from the wards, which are already too dark.

5 The present grated windows have an opening of 6' 10" with two
Cross

cross pieces 4" each, by adding more cross pieces as shown in the plan the total obstruction of light will be nearly 2' 0" out of 6' 10" for each window, a very serious matter in a dark Hospital.

Secondly—The present plan will not make the windows secure unless the iron straps, as proposed by Colonel Sankey, and shown in the original estimate, are put on to keep the cross pieces in position. This will bring up the estimate to Rupees 950 whereas the original estimate amounting to Rupees 640 will make the windows far more secure, and above all will not interfere with the light.

6 Though Government have already approved of the work being
Carried

carried out as proposed, I think the matter is worthy of reconsideration seeing that the Medical officer is of opinion that the effect will be to render the Hospital too dark and judging from the specimen window I am of opinion that it is less secure than if the original proposition was carried out by which round iron bars would be substituted for defective ones and each end would be firmly rivetted to iron plates fixed on the top and bottom of the window frames. Moreover the original estimate amounted only to Rupees 640, whereas the revised estimate comes to Rupees 950 or as reduced by the Superintending Engineer to Rupees 490.

7 The work requires professional management

Sir,

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Inspector General of Jails

S. W. C. No. 1328

No 410
Transferred to the
Public Works Depart.
- Mem^b for consideration

Jail (1881) Department
(Jails)
From, The Inspector General of
R. D. Jails
Madras

To, The Chief Secy. to Govt.
Fort. St. George

Dated 26th February 1881
Recd. 28th
Received 1st March

Enclosures 7

No 634
No. 35.

Regarding the execution
of the work of strengthening
the Hospital windows of
the Central Jail at
Vellore.

With endorsement

C. No. 1328

P. W. Secretariat.

Note by Budget Section.

Work

Remarks and References.

Strengthening window
bays of the Male
Hospital of the Central
Jail at Vellore.

Fund Provincial (Convict Labor Fund)
Service Head - Civil Building
Class
Sept. Head - Original Works.
Amount of estimate Rs. 950

Expenditure in previous year "

Allotment in current year "

Balance required to complete 950

Total Rs. 950

Note of available funds.

Funds are available under Provincial
Reserve - If it is not intended to provide
from this source, application will have
to be made to the Civil Dept to transfer
from Convict Labor Fund.

The full Dept. Order No 1193 dated 19th
May 1880 sanctioning an estimate of Rs 640 for
this work, does not appear to have been com-
municated to the W. Dept.

R. L.
Budget Superintendent. Clerk

11/3/81.

G.O. 627W - 12-2-80
1952W - 16-8-80.

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Current No. 1328.

Endersech
Letter No. 410.

Dated the 1st March 1881.

from the Judicial Dept.

Note of Remark No.

The Estimate with Plan
& report for strengthening
Window bars of the Male
Hospital of the Central Jail
at Vellore, amounts to Rs.
950.

An Estimate for Rs 640.
was sanctioned in G.O. No 1193
dated 19th May 1880, and the
The Insp. Genl of Jails

is of opinion that the specimen
Window, strengthened as pro-
posed by Col. Saunkey, should
not be carried out for reasons
given in his letter No 35 dated
26th Feb 1881. I suggest that
round iron bars would be
substituted for defective ones
& each end be firmly rivetted
to iron plates fixed in the top
& bottom of the window frame
& recommends that the origi-
nal design as sanctioned by
Govt in May 1880 be carried
out.

Most of the details agree
with the Draft Schedule.

The Estimate has not
been countersigned by the
Insp. Genl of Jails.

8th March 1881.

J. J.

Note by Budget Section.

No 58-

Canmore 26th March 1881.

From

Lt Colonel T. E. Tennant

Inspector General of Jails

The Chief Engineer
and Secretary to Govt

Public Works Department

Chennai

Sir

Enc 1.

With reference to your
Memorandum No 664 dated 15th
instant I have the honor to
forward the specification therein
called for. The detailed Estimate
was forwarded to you along with
my letter No 232 dated 11th August
last.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

T. E. Tennant
Inspector General of Jails

A.O. 20.627 W. 12-3-80.

C.E. 1297. 10-5-80.

A.O. 1352 W. 16-8-80.

" 1355 W. 16-8-80.

C.E. 667. 15-3-81.

Jail (1881) (Dept.

From, P.H.C. No 1978

The Inspector General
of Jails.

To, The Chief Engineer
and Secy to Government P.W.D.
Chepauk
Madras.

Dated 26 March 1881

Recd. 29 March 81

No 58

Enclosure 1

Subject.

Forwarding specification
called for in Memo No 667
dated 15 March 1881.

Memo to the C.E.

The original estimate
of Rs 640 for the alterations
at the Vellore jail has
being at length forthcoming
it will be seen from the
specification that 82
doors and windows etc
have in the first place
to be removed.

I understood on
my inspection of the
jail that great in-
convenience would re-
sult from the patients
having to be removed
while the work is then
decided on as going
on, in addition to
which the breaking away
of so much brick and
mortar & replacing the
whole again would in
all probability make

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a bad job of the work
as it would be decidedly
difficult to build in
the frames thus removed
as strongly as before

The principle of any
plan which involved
no removal of the
frames even now
seems to me preferable
to this, and if plate or angle
can be simply joined
instead of the battens
I originally suggested
there would be little
or no decrease in the
lifting of the Hospital

W. M. Lusk
A. R. L.

30/3/81

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Endorsement from the Jrdl Dept No 410 d 7th March 1881
on letter from the Insp Genl of Jails No 35 d 26 Feb 81.

Memo by the Chief Engineer P.W. Dept d 30th
March 1881.

FOR ORDERS.

Carl W. Sankey

Thank the revisioner (Colonel R. S. Hunter) to Govt. P.W.D.
origl plan - for increasing
so many doors windows
is so serious an evil
that the Ill effects of
abuse require it - if
pointed out. & the sub 12
of plate rough is for
the wooden battens in the
C.S. plan will probably
remove the objection as
to light. I do not know

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Hon W. Madhavan

FOR ORDERS.

To
Governor

No 9976

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 12th April 1881

Read the following:—

From the Insp. Genl of Sails N.E. 7th 35th 26th Feb'y 1881.
Do Do Do Do 58th 26th March /—
Memo. by the Chief Engineer dated 30th March 1881.

The Govt consider
that the need on the
original plan for
removing thirty two
doors and windows
is so serious an evil
that it only requires to
be pointed out to be re-
cognised by the Inspector
Genl of ^{Sails} ~~Madras~~, while
the substitution of plate
and angle iron for the
wooden battens in the
Chief Engineer's plan
will probably remove
the objection as to
light.

2. The estimate as
 reduced by the Super-
 tending Engineer's Rd
 Rs 490 is therefore
 sanctioned for exe-
 cution by the P. W. Dept.,
 the necessary funds
 being provided from
 the Jail Budget.

XXX Not in the file
 B. N. 997 W 312. April 87

* works — Rs 490
 Establt — " 123
 Tools & Plant — " 12
Total Rs 625

3. This sanction
 has been registered as
 Provincial (Convict Labor
 Fund) No. 13 B of 1881-82
 and Classified as Civil
 Buildings Original Works.

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To
 The Supy. Insp. 2 Circle
 with plan & report
 " Engr. P. W. Accts.
 with estimate
 " Insp. Genl of Sails
 with six enclos.
 " Genl. Dept.

Done
 13-4-87