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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following letter from the Rev. D. G. CLARKE, Acting Archdeacon of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 28th August 1883, No. 818 :—

I have the honor to submit, for the favorable consideration of Government, the enclosed application from the Rev. R. H. Durham, Chaplain of Cocanada, asking for a grant in aid of the erection of a small church at Dowlaishweram. The proposed church is, according to the enclosed estimates, to cost Rs. 3,200 and to hold 60 persons. The subscriptions, as the enclosed list shows, amount to about Rs. 1,600, or half the sum required. I trust that Government will be pleased to sanction a grant-in-aid of Rs. 1,600, or half of the total cost. Some such church or chapel seems to be much required, for, under present circumstances, there is no place where the services of the church can be celebrated with decency and propriety. The proposed erection seems to be well adapted to the requirements of the place and people.

Plans and estimates.

ENCLOSURES.

From the Rev. R. H. DURHAM, Chaplain of Rajahmundry, Dowlaishweram and Cocanada, to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras, dated Cocanada, 15th August 1883.

I beg herewith to forward to you, and to request that you will lay before Government, the plans and estimates, together with the Superintending Engineer's letter, for a small church at Dowlaishweram.

The estimate amounts to Rs. 3,200. There will be sittings for 60 persons.

I also send the subscription list, which amounts to Rs. 1,600.

We hope that, when Government takes the following matters into consideration, it will be pleased to sanction a similar sum to that raised by the congregation, viz., Rs. 1,600, for the construction of the new church.

(1.) Dowlaishweram is not only the head-quarter of the *district*, but of the Department of Public Works CIRCLE. In a letter of the Superintending Engineer, G. T. Walch, Esq., which is now before me, I read: "This is a place which will probably always be the engineering head-quarters, not only of the *District*, but also of the CIRCLE; and there are extensive workshops and quarries which give employment to several East Indians, *besides* the officers and subordinates of the regular staff of the department. Officers and subordinates from all parts of the district also, not unfrequently at various times, come in on Sundays."

(2.) There was formerly a small house lent by a private individual for the purpose of divine worship. It has since been sold, and is at present occupied as a private dwelling-house.

(3.) The office of the Public Works Department, where we now hold our services, is unsuitable for divine worship, especially for the celebration of the Holy Communion.

(4.) The attendance at divine service here is better in proportion to their numbers than at either of the other stations in my charge.

(5.) The anxiety of the people themselves to have a place of worship is evinced by the amount of their subscriptions. All who could have contributed largely to this object.

(6.) The people are, without exception, in the employment of Government.
(7.) The numbers are about *fifty*.
(8.) The proposed church is *very* inexpensive. It will be good, and will afford ample accommodation for the congregation.

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese will, we hope, visit this district next "cold weather," and *not again for three years*. We expect the new church will be sufficiently advanced, if not finished, to obtain the benefit of consecration on His Lordship's next arrival amongst us. Might I therefore venture to request that you will kindly use your best endeavours to secure an early sanction and the small sum required for our proposal. We shall then begin the work without delay.

From G. T. WALCH, Esq., Officiating Superintending Engineer, First Circle, to the Chaplain of Cocanada, dated Dowlaishweram, 13th August 1883, No. 1390 G.D.

With reference to conversations and demi-official correspondence on the subject of building a small church at Dowlaishweram, I have the honor to forward herewith a plan and estimate.

1 Plan of Church at Dowlaishweram.
1 Detailed Estimate of do.
1 Abstract do. of do. amounting to Rs. 3,200.
1 Estimate for Truss, Rs. 90.
1 Printed List of Subscriptions.

2. The estimate amounts to Rs. 3,200, and towards this the sum of Rs. 1,594 has been promised by private subscription, as shown in the enclosed list, and it is hoped that you will be able to get a grant from Government of a sum equal to that of the private subscriptions, of which Rs. 1,244 have been already actually paid.

3. Nothing is entered in the estimate for the site, because it is confidently hoped that Government will allow the church to be erected on part of the ground now about to be taken up in connection with Dowlaishweram station.

No. 1675, Ecclesiastical.

Transferred to the Public Works Department for consideration.

(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

OOTACAMUND,
31st August 1883.

ORDER—dated 18th September 1883, No. 2628 W., Public Works.

The Government are prepared to make a grant-in-aid for erecting a church at Dowlaishweram of an amount equivalent to the sum subscribed.

2. The design as sent up is not approved. It will be recast by the Superintending Engineer under instructions to be issued by the Chief Engineer.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Ecclesiastical Department.
" Superintending Engineer, First Circle.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
Spare Copies

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of {1883} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated September, 18th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 18th Sept. 1883, No. 2628 W.

SEPTEMBER.

Church at Dowlaishweram

Agreeing to make a grant-in-aid for erecting a —

From
The Revd. D. G. Clarke
Ag. Archdeacon of Madras
Madras

To
The Honorable
The Chief Secretary to Govt.
of St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to be directed for the favorable consideration of Government the enclosed application from Rowland from the Revd. Estimates. R. A. Durham Chaplain of Cocanada, asking for a grant-in-aid of the erection of a small Church at Dowlaishweram. The proposed Church is according to the enclosed Estimates, to cost Rs 3200 and to hold 200 persons. The subscriptions, as the enclosed list shows, amount to about

No. 818. From St. George Madras 28th August 1883.

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to about $5,000, or half the sum required. I trust that Government will ~~be pleased~~ be sanctioned ~~to grant~~ require, a grant in aid of $5,000, or half of the total Cost. Some such Church or Chapel seems to be much required, for, under present circumstances, there is no place where the Services of the Church can be celebrated with decency and propriety. The proposed erection seems to be well adapted to the requirements of the place and people.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obd. Servt.
D. E. Clarke
Lay Lieut. Deacon of Nanaimo.

Eccles 1883 Sept.

From
The Revd. D. G. Clarke
Ag: Secretary of Madras
Madras
24th

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

Transferred to the Public Works Depart- ment - for consideration.

Ag: Chief Secretary.

Dated 28th August 1883
Rec'd 29th
No. 818
Enc: 6 & Plan
Subject

Church at Dowlaishweram - Soliciting grant in aid of the erection of a Church -

RECD SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS 30 AUG 83

Ans - 2nd Sept 1883 Retd 1719

No. 13906.D.

FROM THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
FIRST CIRCLE.

TO, THE Chaplain
Cocanada.

Enclosures 5
1 Plan of Church
1 Specification
1 Abstract & Estimate

DOWLAISHWERAM, 13th August 1883

SIR,

With reference to correspondence ending with your official letter No. 1320 dated 25th instant on the subject of building a small Church at Dowlaishweram I have the honor to forward herewith a plan and estimate.

2. The estimate amounts to Rs 3216 and towards this the sum of Rupees 1594 has been promised by private subscription as shown on the enclosed list and it is hoped that you will be able to get a grant from Government of a sum equal to that of the private subscriptions, which Rs 1622 have been already actually paid in.

3. Nothing is entered in the estimate for the site because it is confidently hoped that Govt will allow the Church to be erected on part of the ground now about to be taken up in connection with Sir Arthur Cotton's Anicut.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servt
C. Clarke
Superintending Engineer

Compd by Sr

VII The numbers are about fifty

VIII The proposed Church is very inexpensive. It will be good, and to afford ample accommodation for the Congregation

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese will, we hope, visit this District next "cold Weather" but again for three years. We expect the new Church will be sufficiently advanced, if not finished, to obtain the benefit of Consecration on his Lordship's next arrival amongst us. I might I therefore venture to request that you will kindly use Your best Endeavours to secure the early sanction, & the small sum required for our proposal. We shall then begin the work with out delay —

I am, Reverend Sir
Yours faithfully
R. H. Durham.
Chaplain of Rafaknum
Doolaishwaram & Cocanada

Public Works Department, 1883-84

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Current No. 2572

Letter No. 1675

Dated the 31st August 83

From the Sec. to Govt.

NOTE OF REMARKS.

1. The enclosed plan and estimate are for the construction of a church at Doolaishwaram. Estimate amounts to Rs. 3,200.

2. The examination of the design leads to the opinion that the proposal, that no cross has been commenced as regards the brickwork of the tower. Not much stands in the way of the contractor effecting a practical overreaching on one side, notwithstanding the corner buttress which is probably intended as a relief to the tower. The north side is affected by the appearance given to the windows into reference to one another on the face next to the bell tower. And it would be best to place at the N.E corner. There is no reason for a buttress at any point.

3. The roofing on the two

and in the Nave, is to rest on two trusses. No decided objections can be given the trusses and, should it be determined to use them templates of stone of size sufficient to widely distribute the pressures would be necessary. It would probably be best, as the span of roof is 20 ft, to employ collar beams double collar pieces.

The porch should receive a breadth of 12 ft as the steps will then allow a clear width of 9 feet.

3. Recapitulations of tenders are fairly correct.

2nd Sept/83
B.S.H.

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H.C.

Mr G.P. can now go to Prem -

After issue, the Office note to Comy. Architect can go out accompanied by Plan, estimate &c -

The decentalisation Work will absorb Mr Scott's services to C.A.

C.A.

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It is proposed to erect a Prayer Room or small Church at Dowlaishweram where there is none at present. There are between forty and fifty European & Eurasian residents at the place, and Divine Worship has now to be performed in one of the rooms of the Public Works Office which is very unsuitable.

The following is a list of subscriptions which have already been promised. Any one willing to subscribe is requested to append his name and amount of subscription to this list and return it to,

G. T. Walch Esq^re

Dowlaishweram,

Godavari District.

LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Captain A. R. F. Dorward R. E. ...	100	0	0	Paid
Mr. R. P. de-Winton.	20	0	0	Paid
Mr. T. Vanstavern.	100	0	0	Paid

Mr. G. T. Waleb.	200	0	0	
Mr. C. H. B. Burlton.	50	0	0	
Captain C. C. Rawson R. E.	75	0	0	
Mr. M. O. Norris.	35	0	0	
Mr. W. Jopp.	50	0	0	
Mr. J. S. Joyce.	5	0	0	
Mr. E. W. Bennett.	20	0	0	
Mr. P. Hookens.	5	0	0	
Colonel J. O. Hasted R. E.	100	0	0	
Revd. R. H. Durham.	100	0	0	
Colonel J. Mullins - R. E.	10	0	0	
Revd. H. Pope.	50	0	0	
W. J. Whiteside Esquire (gives also a Lectern)	50	0	0	
Sidney Laffan Esquire.	100	0	0	
Ootacamund Church.	100	0	0	
The Lord Bishop of Madras.	100	0	0	
~~Colonel~~ R. H. Sankey C. B. - R. E.	100	0	0	
Dowlaishweram Church.	60	0	0	
General Sir, Arthur Cotton R. E.	24	0	0	
General Haig, R. E.	20	0	0	
St. Mark's Church Bangalore.	10	0	0	
Mr. J. Shepherd	10	0	0	
Dr. C. Cadrington	1534			

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DEPARTMENT.

No. 2627/11 Public Works.

G.O 18th Sept= 1883 N°2628. W.

Dated

FOR ORDERS.

The enclosed order of
Government has just
been sent by the P.W.D
to the Chief Secretary
in the Ecclesiastical
Dept whence, in the
ordinary course of business,
it should go to the Arch=
deacon of Madras—
The undersigned ventures
to think that the expression
"to make a grant in aid
for erecting a church"
(first line of the order) which
will be available on work
days for a school or

other legitimate public purpose." may perhaps be softened down with advantage.

It will be observed that the Rev: Mr Dunbavin Chaplain of Rajahmundry &c. hopes that the new Church will be sufficiently advanced "to obtain the benefit of consecration on His Lordship's (the Bishop's) next arrival amongst us" and that the Archdeacon speaks of the grant in aid of the erection of a small Church at Dowlaishweram — which is wanted, says the Archdeacon, is a place "where the services of the church can be celebrated with decency & propriety" —

The authorities of the Church will demur to their Church being used for secular purposes on week days.

T.H.

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would it not be better then, to substitute for "a building" the words "a church" in the first line of the Govt. order? and the word "it" instead of "the building" in the third line?

E. F. W.

I think they should not do so — but it would be more to their interest to have as little built a Church in fact) which was also used as a School room a room building (or 2 or 3 rooms rather than a Church) and of which they could keep all secular purposes —

Ascertain the views of the Bishop of Madras

The order in P.W.D. proceedings was based

a map
premises if the Bishop
would be disclosed
to be suggested for the
Chief Engr.

FOR ORDERS.

The Right Hon'ble
The Governor in Council

20/9/13

To be substituted for the G.O. of the same No. and date

W/A/

Public Works Department.

No. 2628. W

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 18th Sept. 1913

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Read the following

Endorsement in the Ecclesiastical Department on letter from the Acting Archdeacon of Madras No. 818 of 28th August 1913 } M. E. No. 1675 of 31st August 1913

The Government are prepared to make a grant-in-aid for erecting a Church at Bowlaishweram of an amount equivalent to the sum subscribed.

2. The design as sent up is not approved. It will be recast by the Supdg. Engr. under instructions to be issued by the Chief Engineer.

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Ecclesiastical Dept.
Supdg. Engr. First Circle
Chief Engr.

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No 2628 W I W. Department.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government,

Under date the 18th September 83

Read the following:—

Letter from the Ag Archdeacon of Madras. (No. 818 dt Augt 28th 1883)

Endt No Ecclesiastical Dept (" " 1675 dt " 31st ")

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The Government are prepared to make a grant-in-aid for erecting a Church at Dowlaishwaram of an amount equivalent to the sum subscribed, on the understanding that although exclusively reserved for Europeans

on Sundays, the building will be available on week days for a school or other legitimate public purpose.

2. The design as put up is not approved. It will be recast by the Safety Engineer under instructions to be issued by the Chief Engineer.

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Ecclesiastical Dept
Safety Engr. First Circle

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Govt. of 1883 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

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Nos.

Church at Dornakal

Agreeing to make a
grant in aid for
erecting a ——— Church
at Dornakal

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