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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Military Works.

READ—the following letter from Colonel B. H. W. MAGRATH, Commissary-General, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Madras, 31st August 1883, No. 3298:—

I have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that when the mule stables on the north beach at Madras were built, no provision was made for a supply of water, or of troughs for the animals to drink out of.

2. To meet this want the Superintendent of Works prepared a plan and estimate of Rs. 3,850 for constructing drinking troughs and washing stands. These were passed by the Commissary-General and returned to the Superintendent of Works on the 28th July 1881; but up to this time no further action has been taken, and I now learn that in Proceedings of Government, No. 4800, of 7th September 1881, the Government deferred orders on the subject.

3. In Proceedings of Government, Public Works Department, of 30th July 1883, No. 2064 W., the Consulting Architect to Government is directed to submit plans and estimates for stabling and shelter for military ambulance transport on the plot of ground adjoining the said mule stables, and I request that Government may be pleased to authorize him to estimate at the same time for the water-supply and troughs alluded to in my first paragraph.

4. The opportunity is a good one, as the Consulting Architect has already, in paragraph 2 of the Order in the Public Works Department above quoted, been directed to carry the water-pipes across the road to the proposed ambulance stables, and he could at the same time and without much additional expense build trough and lay on water for all the Government cattle stabled in the same locality.

5. The new mule stables were built by the Consulting Architect, the site on which the old ones stood having been taken by him for the Post Office; and when building them he should have made provision for watering the mules. But as he did not do so then, he may properly be called upon to do so now out of funds allotted for the Post Office.

6. The transport officer reports that at present water is "obtained from the other side of the road at the cost of much trouble and inconvenience."

No. 4890, Military.

Transferred, for consideration and disposal, to the Public Works Department, with reference to Military Department, No. 4800, dated 7th September 1881, and Proceedings of Government, No. 2064 W., dated 30th July 1883.

The enclosures of Public Works Department memorandum, No. 2024, dated 31st August 1881, are herewith returned.

(By Order.)

(Signed)

E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

OOTACAMUND,
6th September 1883.

To the Public Works Department, with seven enclosures.

ORDER—dated 1st October 1883, No. 2743 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, who will submit a revised estimate for providing drinking troughs and washing stands for the mule lines on the beach.

2. With reference to the remarks in paragraph 5 of the Commissary-General's letter above recorded, the attention of that officer will be called in the Military Department to G.O., No. 338 W., dated 8th February 1881, in which it was decided that the cost of providing watering arrangements for the mule lines was not a legitimate charge against the new Post and Telegraph Offices.

3. In the estimate called for in G.O., No. 2064 W., dated 30th July 1883, the Consulting Architect was directed to make provision for laying on water to the site of the proposed new stabling and shelter for military ambulance transport. The cost of conducting the pipes to the mule lines will therefore be correspondingly reduced.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, with ~~eight~~ enclosures.
" Consulting Architect to Government.
" Military Department.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
MILITARY WORKS.

Govt. of (1883) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 1st.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 1st Oct. 1883, No. 2743 W.

OCTOBER.

Mule lines on the Madras
beach

The Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle,
directed, with remarks, to submit a revised
estimate for providing drinking troughs and
washing stands for the —.

30TH JULY 1883, No. 2064 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers :—

From C. VINCENT, Esq., Officiating Consulting Architect to Government, to
the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 22nd June
1883, No. 327.

With reference to the concluding sentence of your memorandum, No. 982 C., of
the 18th May; I have the honor to report
on the subject of the piece of ground
between Messrs. Parry and Company's
2 Drawings.
1 Letter.

Offices and the Grant School suggested for the stabling required in connection with
the new Post Office.

2. The first of the accompanying plans shows the general position of the block
of ground in question, and the second is a regular site plan showing how the ground
is now occupied.

3. There will, I believe, be no difficulty regarding the giving up of the piece of
ground marked in the plan as in the occupation of the "Executive Engineer Depart-
ment." The accompanying copy of a letter will show you how the case stands as
regards the piece of ground marked as in the occupation of the Commissariat Depart-
ment, but for which the Quartermaster-General appears to be responsible. That
officer regrets his inability to give up the piece of ground, but from General Stewart's
letter it seems that if similar accommodation is provided elsewhere no objection would
be raised, and I am personally informed that an addition to the existing mule stables on
the beach would probably be accepted. I have addressed the Quartermaster-General
again on this point, but it may, I think, be taken for granted that this would satisfy
the military authorities concerned.

4. The whole block would be of just the right size for the required stabling, and
after further inquiry and search I have failed to discover any other piece of ground
in the neighbourhood available for the purpose, and I therefore recommend that the
sanction of Government to the transfer of this block may be obtained.

5. Soliciting the favor of early orders, I have, &c.

ENCLOSURE.

From Brigadier-General R. C. STEWART, C.B., Commanding Eastern District, to the
Quartermaster-General, dated Fort St. George, 18th June 1883, No. 195 G.

With reference to your endorsement, No. 4331, of 10th June 1883, forwarding for report
letter from the Consulting Architect to Government, and requesting to know if the piece of ground
lying between Grant School and Messrs. Parry and Company's Offices could be made available
for stabling for the new Post Office, &c., on the beach, I have the honor to state that the piece of
ground in question cannot be given up unless the district is provided with other stabling on an
equally convenient site.

2. The stabling referred to is much needed by this department for the conservancy and also for the sick and platform carts and bullocks required for the troops embarking and disembarking at this port.

No. 4409.

True copy forwarded for information with reference to his letter, No. 298, dated 14th instant, and with an expression of regret of the Quartermaster-General that, under the circumstances, the site in question cannot be made available for stabling for the new Post Office.

(By Order.)

(Signed) D. J. S. McLEOD, Major,
Offg. Dy. Quartermaster-General.

No. 1198 C., Public Works.

Referred to the Military Department, with request that the site in question may be made over to the Public Works Department, on the understanding that similar accommodation for the Commissariat cattle will be provided as an addition to the mule stables on the beach.

(By Order.)

(Signed) C. BOWEN, Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

25th June 1883.

No. 3607, Military.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

OOTACAMUND,
28th June 1883.

(Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

From Lieutenant-Colonel R. C. STEWART, Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 9th July 1883, No. 4913.

In returning the papers received under Reference Order, No. 3607, dated 28th June 1883, I am desired to state that the piece of ground in question can be dispensed with by this department if equally good and convenient stabling and shelter for Ambulance Transport carts is provided elsewhere.

2. The site indicated in the letter of the Government Architect adjoining the mule stables on the beach would answer the purpose well, but as heavy carts will have to be moved to and fro from it to the road, it is necessary that a hard metalled approach should connect it with the road and a level crossing be provided over the lines of the Beach Railway.

3. It would also be requisite that the pipes by which the present stables are supplied with water from the Seven Wells should be extended across the road to the new site.

No. 3882, Military.

Transferred to the Public Works Department and the referred papers returned.

There is no objection in the Military Department to the transfer of the site referred to on the conditions specified by the Quartermaster-General.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
12th July 1883.

(Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

From C. VINCENT, Esq., Officiating Consulting Architect to Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 11th July 1883, No. 393.

In continuation of my letter, No. 327, of 22nd June 1883, regarding the site for the Post Office stables on the beach, I have the honor to forward, herewith, true copy of a letter received from the Quartermaster-General's Department, from which it will be seen that no objection is made to giving up the piece of ground referred to, so long as equally good accommodation is provided in connection with the existing mule stables. The Executive Engineer, Presidency, having also no objection to giving up his portion of the ground, I beg to be allowed to recommend that the site may be sanctioned for the Post Office stabling in view of the preparation of the necessary plans.

ORDER—dated 30th July 1883, No. 2064 W., Public Works.

The Consulting Architect to Government will submit the requisite plans and estimates for stabling required in connection with the new Post Office on the site indicated, and for stabling and shelter for Military Ambulance Transport on the plot of ground adjoining the mule stables on the beach.

2. The points noted in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Quartermaster-General's letter should receive attention.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Consulting Architect to Government, with two Enclosures.
" Postmaster-General.
" Military Department.

Exd. A. F. Goodall
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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1883) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated July, 30th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 30th July 1883, No. 2064 W.

JULY.

Stabling for the new Post
Office, Madras

The Consulting Architect to Government to
submit the requisite plans and estimates for
—, and for stabling and shelter for Military
Ambulance Transport near the mule stables
on the beach.

No. 3298.

Pennington's Office -
Madras 31 August 1883 -

From,

To,

Col B. S. M. Magrath, ^{5/1}
Commissionary General,
Madras.

The Secretary to Government,
Military Department,
With the Governor,
Stone House Hill -

SM,
I have the honor to report
for the information of Govern-
ment, that when the Mule Stables
on the North Beach at Madras
were built, no provision was
made for a supply of water,
or of trough for the animals
to drink out of -

2. To meet this want the
Superintendent of Works pre-
pared a plan and Estimate
of Rs 3850/- for constructing
drinking

drinking troughs and wash-
ing stands. These were
passed by the Commission General
and returned to the Superin-
tendent of Works on the 28th
July 1881; but up to this time
no further action has been
taken, and I now learn that
in P. G. N^o 4800 of 7th September
1881, the Government deferred
orders on the subject.

3. In P. G. (Public Works
Department) of 30th July 1883,
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I request that Government
may be pleased to authorize
him to estimate at the same

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P. G. 4405
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and troughs attended to in my
first para -

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of funds allotted for the Post
Office.

6. The Transport Officer
reports, that at present water
is "obtained from the other side
of the road, at the cost of much
trouble and inconvenience".

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your most obedient Servant

W. H. Murray Lt. Col.

for Comdg. Genl.

6th 21/13

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No: 4890

Transferred for
consideration
and disposal to
the Public Works
Department with
reference to M. D.
no: 4800, dated
7th September 1881,
and P. G. no: 2064. W.
dated 30 July 1883.

The Enclosures
of P. W. D. Memo:
no: 2024 dated
31st Augt/81 are
herewith returned.

By order /

Colonial
Secretary to Govt.

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To the P. W. Dept
with 7 enclos.

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From, ~~Govt.~~

Col R. S. W. Mafrash.

Comd. Genl.

Madras.

To,

The Secy to Govt.
Myl. Sept.

With the Governor
Stonhouse Hill

Letter No. 3298

dated 31st August/82
Recd 3rd Sept.

Informing that no provision
was made for a supply
of water, or of troughs
for animals to drink out
at, when the mule stables
were built on the beach.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 1st Oct/83.

Read the following

From the Comd. General
Madras. } H.E. No. 3298 of 31st Augt/83

Endorsement by the Military
Department. } No. 4890 of 6th Sept/83.

Communicated
to the Superintending Engineer,
Fifth Circle, who will
submit a report & estimate
for providing drinking
troughs and washing
stands for the mule
lines on the beach.

2. With reference
to the remarks in para
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of that officer will be
called to the Military
Department to G. O.
No. 338W of 5th February 1883.

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watering arrangements
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and Telegraph offices.

In the estimate
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Govt. of (1883) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated

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G. O. 1700/83 No. 2743

Mule lines on the
Madras beach

Mr. S. E. Fife Circle
directed to ~~submit~~ ^{write to Mr. M.}
to submit a revised
estimate for providing
drinking troughs & washing
stands for the —

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Encl. Receipt Book