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23rd November 1883, No. 3361 W., Public Works.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read—the following letter from W. R. CORNISH, Esq., F.R.C.S., C.I.E., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 14th November 1883, No. 345:—

I have the honor to submit, for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying letter from the Superintendent, Lunatic Asylum, Calicut, representing the necessity for increased accommodation, and to recommend that provision be authorized for 36 additional patients, so as to bring up the number from 84 to 120 lunatics.

2. If Government approve of the measure, orders are requested to be issued to the Public Works Department for the submission of plans and estimates in communication with the superintendent of the asylum.

Enclosure.

From Surgeon-Major H. D. COOK, M.B., Superintendent, Lunatic Asylum, Calicut, to the Secretary to the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, dated 8th November 1883, No. 137.

With reference to your office memorandum, No. 5353, dated 22nd October 1883, instructing me to give 60 superficial feet of space for each native patient, I have the honor to report that it is impossible for me to carry out the order unless additional buildings are sanctioned.

2. Although the present allotted superficial feet space for each patient is 50, I am, as a temporary measure, giving each individual 40 superficial feet or thereabout.

3. There are, as you know, four blocks in all, viz., two in the civil enclosure, one in the criminal, and another in the female, each having three rooms, *i.e.*, six in the male, three in the criminal, and three in the female yards.

4. The capacity of each room of the male and female wards is only 400 superficial feet, and that of the criminal enclosure is 200; thereby enabling me to accommodate eight patients in each room of the male and female yards, and four in the criminal yard, at 50 superficial feet for each individual.

5. It will be clearly seen, therefore, that this asylum should only accommodate 84 patients, *i.e.*, 48 patients in the male yard, 12 in the criminal, and 24 in the female.

6. Whereas at present there are 102 patients in all, or 18 more than the allotted number; or, to say more accurately, there are 62 civil male lunatics against 40, 14 criminals against 12, and 26 females against 24.

7. Your office memorandum, No. 747, dated 10th February 1883, permitted, as a temporary measure, the accommodation of more than the allotted number in each room, and the same memorandum further said that if the asylum be overcrowded the old cases may be transferred.

8. Subsequently, however, the Surgeon-General's memorandum, No. 3402, dated 4th July 1883, objects to the transfer of western coast people, and I strongly concur in this opinion. People from the west coast, especially sickly ones, would not, I fear, thrive on the east coast.

9. There is a Government Order enjoining police officers to hand over all wandering lunatics to the magistrate for committal to asylums. There is, therefore, no likelihood of any falling off in the number of patients in this asylum.

10. Under the above circumstances I am obliged to request that you will be good enough to bring to the notice of the Surgeon-General the necessity for enlarging the asylum so as to accommodate at the least 124 patients, *i.e.*, 40 patients more than the sanctioned number, 84.

11. For the enlargement of the asylum there is ample space in all the blocks, of which the Surgeon-General is fully aware; in fact the present wards have only to be extended.

No. 2248, Judicial.

Approved and transferred to the Public Works Department.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
21st November 1883.

(Signed) M. HAMMICK,
Acting Assistant Secretary.

ORDER—dated 23rd November 1883, No. 3361 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, who will submit plans and estimates accordingly.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.
" Judicial Department.

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

Govt. of {1883} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated November, 23rd.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 23rd Nov. 1883, No. 3361 W.

NOVEMBER.

Lunatic Asylum

Plans and estimates for additional accommodation to the — at Calicut, ordered to be submitted.

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OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
Madras, 14th November 1883.

No. 345

From W.R. Cornish Esqr. F.R.C.S., C.I.E.
~~The~~ SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
MADRAS,

To
THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Judicial DEPARTMENT,

SIR,

I have the honor to submit for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying letter from the Superintendent Lunatic Asylum Calicut, representing the necessity for increased accommodation, and to recommend that provision be authorized for thirty six additional patients, so as to bring up the number from 84 to 120 lunatics.

2- If Government approve of the measure, orders are requested to be issued to the Department of Public Works for the submission of plans and estimates in communication with the Superintendent of the Asylum.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obdt Servant

Wm Cornish

Surgeon - General
with the Govt of Madras

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
[illegible] M.B.,
Surgeon Major,
Superintendent Lunatic Asylum.

Reference on No. 4358 of 1883.

In replying the above should be quoted.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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CHIEF SECRETARIAT. MADRAS.

READ the following letter from the Surgeon General with the Government of Madras, dated 14th November 1883 No. 345.

No. 2248

Approved and transferred to the Public Works Department.

(By Order)

W. Mammick
Ag. Asstt. Secretary.

Fort Saint George
21st November 1883

To
The Public Works Department

S.D

No 2248 1883
Copy

From,
The Superintt.
Lunatic Asylum
Calicut

To,
The Secy. Surgeon General
with Govt. of Madras
Madras

No. 187.
Dated Calicut 8th Novr. } 1883
Recd.

Subject
Reports the necessity for additional buildings.

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No. 3361 W a/ Nov. 13. 1883.

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Communicated to the Supdg. Engr. Fourth Circle, who will submit plans and estimates accordingly.

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SE. Fourth Circle
Judicial Dept.

With order

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Govt. of (1883) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated 27/11

Recd. Encl.

G.O. 23 Nov. 1883, No. 3361.W

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