

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

5 July 1884, No. 3227
Defences—Forts.

Read the following papers:—

No. From Colonel H. L. PRENDERGAST, R.E., Superintending Engineer,
V Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department; dated Chepauk,
25th April 1884, No. 337.

With reference to Government Order, No. 978-W., dated 15th instant, I have
the honor to forward the estimate of
Rs. 33,997 for demolishing the outworks
on the north, the west, and the south
fronts of Fort St. George.

1 Estimate, in duplicate.
1 Report.
6 Plans.

No. 81-E.

Forwarded for the approval of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and
of Government in the Military Department.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND, (Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Col., R.E.,
5th May 1884. Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

To the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

No. 2152.

Forwarded.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND, (Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Lt.-Col.,
7th May 1884. Offg. Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.

No. From Brigadier-General R. C. STEWART, Quarter Master General,
to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department; dated Ootacamund, 19th
May 1884, No. 147-A. (through the Secretary to Government, Military
Department).

I have the honor, by order, to return, with the approval of His Excellency the
Commander-in-Chief, the estimate, amounting to Rs. 33,997, for the demolition of
the outworks of Fort St. George, received with your docket, No. 81-E., dated 5th
May 1884.

2. The estimate has been countersigned.

No. 2897.

The Government, in the Military Department, desire to be informed if funds
can be allotted in the current year for this work, with reference to the necessities
of more pressing demands.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND, (Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Lt.-Col.,
18th June 1884. Offg. Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department, with plans.

GENERAL RECORD DEPARTMENT.

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E. M. C., or G. O., No. 1733 to 1739 in
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To whom given

For Current No.

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Department.

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Initials.

No. From Colonel W. H. BURTON, R.E., Officiating Superintending Engineer,
V Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department; dated Chepauk,
23rd June 1884, No. 1173.

With reference to your memorandum, No. 305-E., dated 20th instant, I have the honor to report that the annual military repair grants of the Presidency and Chingleput divisions are sufficient only to meet the ordinary demands for repair works as shown by the following figures:—

	Presidency.	Chingleput.
	RS.	RS.
Grant for 1882-83	1,50,000	39,750
Expenditure of 1882-83	1,50,790	38,836
Grant for 1883-84	1,50,000	33,234
Expenditure of 1883-84	1,50,275	33,283

2. No portion of these grants therefore can be diverted without postponing certain necessary annual repair works to meet in part the amount of the estimate of Rs. 33,997 for the demolition of the outworks of Fort St. George. The grants for major and minor new works will not also admit of any reductions being made therefrom. In my statements of demands on the reserve for the current year, No. 595, of the 16th May 1884, I proposed certain modifications of allotment in view of completion of the coast batteries this year, as also the works at Agram entrenchment, both of which should have, in my opinion, precedence of the fort demolitions. Therefore I am not in a position to provide at this date the requisite funds for carrying out any portion of the demolition work. It would be certainly desirable if funds permitted to proceed with the fort armament work and demolitions *pari passu*; but, if no funds be available, substantial progress on the former had best be assured before the demolitions are proceeded with.

No. 319-E.

Transferred to the Military Department, with reference to endorsement in that department, No. 2897, dated 18th June 1884, and with remark that, in the circumstances stated by the Superintending Engineer, no funds can at present be allotted for the work in question.

OOTACAMUND,
25th June 1884.

(Signed)

J. SHAW-STEWART, Col., R.E.,
Secretary to Government,
P.W.D.

To the Military Department, with papers in original.

No.

ORDER THEREON, 5 July 1884, No. 322.7

Funds not being available for the demolition of the outworks of Fort St. George, the further prosecution of the project must be deferred *sine die* and preference given to more pressing works, e.g., the coast batteries, Madras, and the Agram entrenchment, Bangalore.

(True Extract.)

Alkenney Herbert Lt.-Col.,

Offg. Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.

" Public Works Department, with 3 enclosures and 6 plans. ✓

" Adjutant-General, for information.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

Three enclosures will follow

With 10 plans & plans

McL 5792

McL 5801

Gobt. of 1884 Madras.

MILITARY.

To THE QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

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Dated July,

Issued

Recd. 11/7/84

Encl. 6

C. J. Lawrence
J. B. Richardson

G.O., 5th July 1884, No. 3227

N. 1734 W of 14th July/84

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Nos. —

Defences—Forts.

Fort St. George.—Further prosecution of the project of demolishing the outworks of— to be deferred *sine die* and preference given to more pressing works.

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W. H. Under

with order

N. 1734 W of 14th July/84

Communicated
to the Supt. Engineer
Circle for information
and guidance.

7/7/84

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