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29TH JULY 1884, No. 1837 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

READ—the following papers:—

From Major J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., Officiating Consulting Architect to Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepāk, 28th November 1883, No. 1119.

In compliance with G.O., Public Works Department, No. 2294 W., dated 6th September 1879, I have the honor to submit a proposed standard design for a Sub-Judge or District Munsif's court with terraced roofing.

2. On your approval of the design, the necessary details, specification, and schedule of quantities will be submitted.

No. 2401 C., Public Works.

Forwarded for the approval of Government in the Judicial Department, with advertence to the Proceedings quoted.

(By Order.)

CHEPĀK,
3rd December 1883.

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

G.O., dated 25th January 1884, Mis. No. 224, Judicial.

Read—the following letter from J. A. DAVIES, Esq., Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 16th January 1884, No. 133:—

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Order—dated 25th January 1884, Mis. No. 224, Judicial.

The Public Works Department will be requested to obtain the remarks of the Government Architect on the suggestions of the High Court.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Works Department, with original papers.

No. 223 C., Public Works.

Referred accordingly to the Consulting Architect to Government.

(By Order.)

(Signed)

C. BOWEN, Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.CHEPÁK,
30th January 1884.From Major J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., Officiating Consulting Architect to
Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepák,
2nd February 1884, No. 1450.With reference to your endorsement, No. 223 C., dated 30th ultimo, on Judicial
Department G.O., No. 224, dated 25th
January 1884, requesting my remarks on the
the suggestions of the High Court on the
proposed design for a standard Sub-Judge's or District Munsif's court, I have the honor
to submit the report.

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2. With regard to the Honorable the Judges of the High Court's objection to a standard design at all, I have the honor to explain that a plan (with specification and estimate) for a Sub-Judge's and District Munsif's court was sanctioned in Public Works G.O., No. 2294 W., dated 6th September 1879, after the opinion of the High Court had been taken regarding the proposed accommodation (*vide* Public Works Department, G.O., No. 570, dated 20th February 1877), but no previous plan was ever submitted to the Honorable Judges, so far as I can ascertain.

3. But in the above last quoted Government Order will be found a letter from the Registrar of the High Court, in which he says: "The inexpediency of having the room for vakils and suitors in the court building is urged by several of the Judges. It is represented that it is undesirable to have the suitors and their vakils in close proximity to the court room or to the Judge's room, and that it would be preferable to have a building detached from the Court-house for the use of this class of persons." This, it will be observed, is contrary to the opinion now expressed by the Honorable the Judges of the High Court.

4. The design submitted, and which has given rise to the remarks to which this letter is a reply, was in plan exactly the same as the one sanctioned in Public Works G.O., No. 2294 W., dated 6th September 1879, and ordered to be circulated to the department for information. The only difference is that it provides for a flat terrace-roofed building in place of a sloping tiled one for which the other design was drawn.

5. So far as I understand the matter, standard plans like the one now referred to are intended merely as suggestive of what the requirements are, and how they can best be met; but they are, I believe, not binding on any officer who will point out that they are unsuited (as they well may be) to his particular district.

6. Should it be decided that this matter be pursued further, I can easily recast the whole design, plan and all, and omit the tower, &c.

7. The papers received with the memorandum under reply are herewith returned.

Memorandum by the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 12th February 1884, No. 323 C.

In compliance with G.O., dated 25th January 1884, Mis. No. 224, Judicial, the undersigned has the honor to forward the remarks of the Consulting Architect to Government on the suggestion of the Honorable the Judges of the High Court, relative to the proposed standard design for a Subordinate Judge's or District Munsif's court.

2. It will be seen that the present design is identical, as regards accommodation and arrangement of rooms, with the one sanctioned in G.O., No. 2294 W., dated 6th September 1879, the only difference being in the style of roof. With reference to Proceedings of Government, No. 2543 W., dated 28th September 1882, it is not

intended to adopt the design now submitted as a "standard" to be rigidly followed, but to circulate it as a type or example merely, to be more or less modified, according to circumstances and localities. Each individual plan and estimate based on this type will, of course, be considered and approved by the Judicial Department and authorities concerned, prior to sanction.

3. It is suggested that, on this understanding, the design be approved for circulation.

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

G.O., dated 12th March 1884, Mis. No. 671, Judicial.

Read—the following letter from J. A. DAVIES, Esq., Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 4th March 1884, No. 748:—

With reference to the endorsement of Government, dated 18th February 1884, No. 328, I am directed to make the following further remarks on the standard plan for a Subordinate Judge's or District Munsif's court.

2. The Consulting Architect to Government, in his letter, dated 2nd February 1884, No. 1450, makes no reference to the letter from this court, dated 28th February 1879, No. 328, in which were urged much the same objections against the adoption of a standard plan as are now repeated by the High Court. Paragraphs 3 and 4 of that letter ran as follows:—"These courts are situated in districts which vary in climate and soil to such an extent that a plan of building suited to one district is inapplicable to another, the sites available in eligible localities for such buildings also vary, and, moreover, the actual requirements of the same class of courts in different districts, indeed of those in the same district, also vary. The High Court is at all times desirous that the subordinate courts should be properly housed, but it fears that the apparent costliness of a building erected on the standard plan or its unsuitability to local conditions may prevent the erection of court-houses in localities in which a building differing in detail from, or involving less cost in construction than, a building on the standard plan would be more appropriate to the requirements of the local court."

3. In its letter, dated 6th February 1877, No. 292, to which the Consulting Architect refers, the court did not object altogether to the provision of a vakils' room, but brought to the notice of the Government that some of the Judges preferred there should be accommodation for the vakils provided in a separate building. If a standard plan is to be adopted, it should show what accommodation is provided for the vakils, either inside or outside the court building. As to the arrangements of the court-house, recent modifications of the rules suggest a considerable alteration in standard plans, for instance, it is now the practice to transmit for safe custody to the district court all the records of the courts subordinate thereto, and thus a smaller space is required for them than formerly, and the tower, apparently an inseparable feature of recent architecture in this Presidency, becomes comparatively useless, while the expense of its erection might be better employed in increasing the accommodation on the ground floor. A good deal more space is devoted in the proposed plan to passages and verandahs than is indispensable. The copyists are now to be employed in all cases within the building, and the Nazarat establishment should be allotted a small room separate from that occupied by the copyists. A standard plan should also exhibit a provision for latrines and for a lamp-room. Wherever there is a group of courts, shelter in the form of a mantapam might be provided to protect suitors and witnesses from sun and rain. It is not suggested that this should form part of a standard plan for a court-house, but the desirability of making some such provision should be kept in view.

4. The High Court refrains from making any observations on the architectural features of the present design, as His Excellency the Governor in Council is in a far better position to decide whether the proposed standard plan is, in this respect,

satisfactory. It has simply confined its remarks to the arrangements proposed which seem to it to be capable of improvement.

Order—dated 12th March 1884, Mis. No. 671, Judicial.

The letter from the High Court will be communicated to the Public Works Department for any further action they may think necessary. The plan submitted seems open to further modification.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) M. HAMMICK,
Acting Assistant Secretary.

To the Public Works Department,
with original papers to be returned.

No. 729 C., Public Works.

Forwarded to the Consulting Architect to Government, who will submit a fresh design on the lines indicated by the High Court.

(By Order.)

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

CHEPÁK,
24th March 1884.

From Major J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., Officiating Consulting Architect to Government, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Chepák, 30th May 1884, No. 322.

In reply to your endorsement, No. 729 C., dated 24th March 1884, on Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, No. 671 M., dated 12th idem, relating to a standard plan for a Sub-

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Judge's or District Munsif's court, I have the honor to submit a fresh design, embodying the proposals of the Honorable the Judges of the High Court, whose suggestions have been carefully attended to.

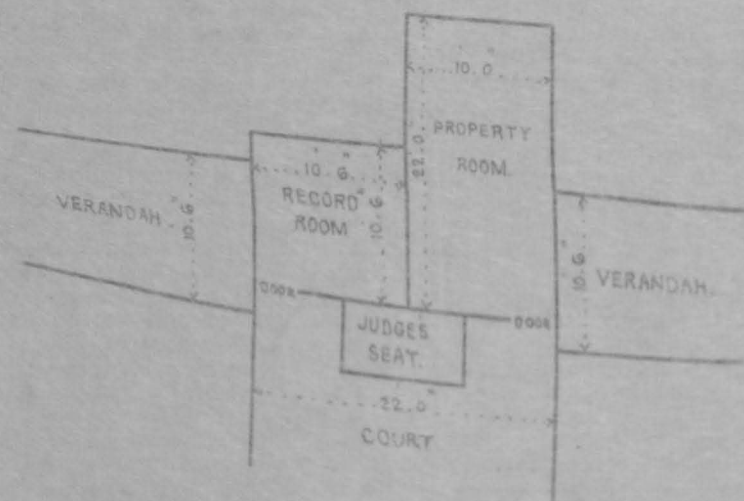
2. The design now submitted provides the following accommodation:—

- 1 Court, 40 by 22 feet.
- 1 Head clerk's room, 20 by 18 feet.
- 1 Gumasta's room, 30 by 18 "
- 1 Judge's retiring room, 20 by 18 feet.
- 1 Vakil's room, 18 by 14½ feet.
- 1 Nazarat establishment room, 18 by 14½ feet.
- 1 Record-room, 13½ feet square and 17 feet high.
- 1 Property room, 22 by 14 feet.
- 2 Lamp and W. C. rooms, each 9 feet square.

[The copyists can perhaps be best accommodated in the gumasta's room which is large.]

- 1 Muntapam, 40 by 22 feet.
- 1 Latrine for 4 men and 2 women, 25 by 13 feet.

3. The record and property rooms can, if considered preferable, be both placed in rear of the court and touching it thus:—



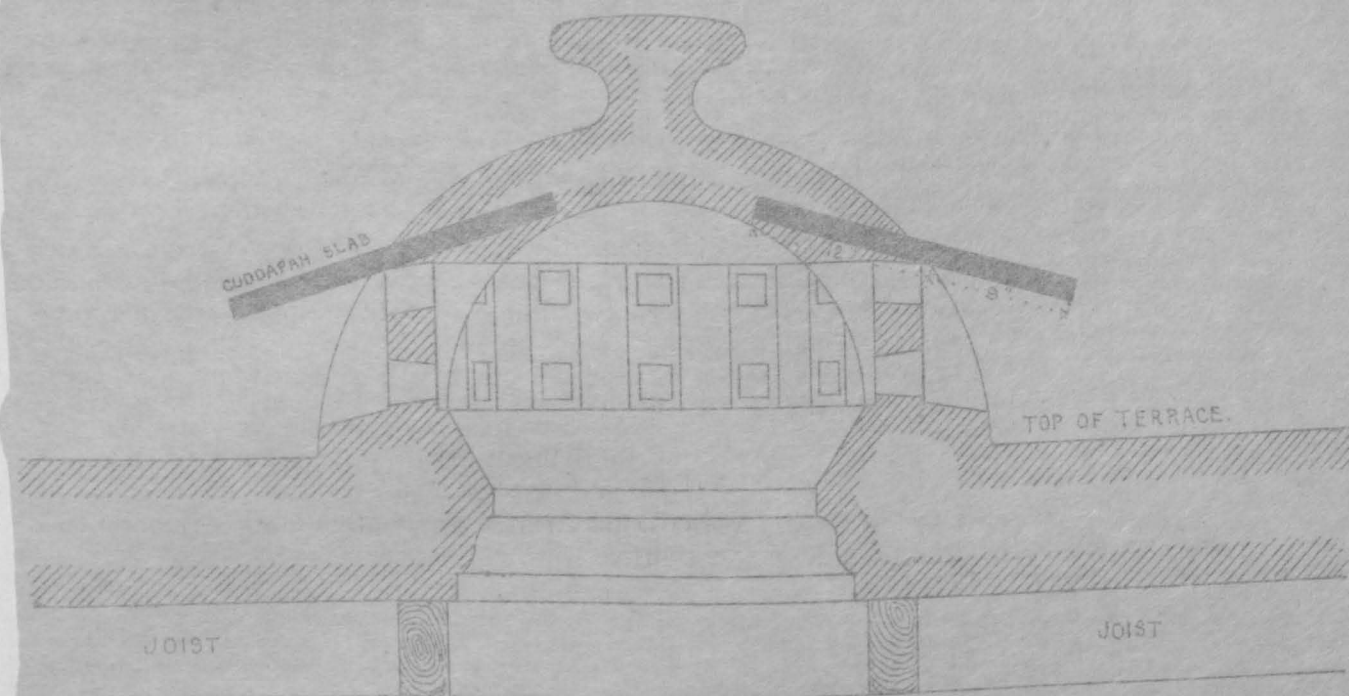
their sizes will then be—

Record-room, 10½ feet square and 17 feet high.
Property room, 22 by 10½ feet.

and the two wings of the building, as viewed from the front, will then be symmetrical.

4. The design provides for the usual verandahs. And the rooms of the building are still further protected from the sun by stone slabs projecting both beyond the verandahs and over the clear-story ventilators. Under cover of these slabs permanent ventilation can easily be arranged. The space which these projections shade is shown by dotted lines on the ground plans of all the buildings.

5. The small dome over the roof of the muntapam and the still smaller ones over that of the latrine are for giving light and ventilation by apertures in their sides: these are hidden from view in the plans now sent by the parapet wall. If thought desirable, similar domical skylights could be placed over the court to increase its ventilation, and, were this also required, its light. The section below explains the construction of these ventilators.



6. The enclosures in your endorsement are herewith returned.

P.S.—It may perhaps be as well to add that no plaster is intended to be used in any portion of the exterior of the building. The exterior decorative features are proposed to be formed of unplastered brick, stone or terracotta.

No. 238 E., Public Works.

Referred for the approval of the Honorable Judges of the High Court and of Government in the Judicial Department.

2. Attention is drawn to the proposals in paragraphs 3 and 5 of the Consulting Architect's letter.

OOTACAMUND,
6th June 1884.

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

To the Chief Secretary to Government,
Judicial Department.

From J. A. DAVIES, Esq., Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 11th July 1884, No. 1931.

In reply to the Order of Government, dated 16th June 1884, Mis. No. 1505, forwarding, for the approval of the Honorable the Judges of this Court, a letter from the Consulting Architect to Government, dated 30th May 1884, No. 322, relative to a fresh design for a Subordinate Judge's or District Munsif's court, prepared with reference to the proposals contained in my letter of the 4th March last, No. 748, I am directed to state that the Judges consider the present is a great improvement on the former plan.

2. With reference to the suggestion made by the Consulting Architect in paragraph 3 of his letter as to the situation of the record-room, the Honorable the Chief Justice is of opinion that it would be as well to bear the proposal in mind as an alternative arrangement, and that uniformity in the wings of a building is not always desirable; but Mr. Justices Hutchins and Brandt think it preferable to locate the record-room near the property room at the back as proposed by the Consulting Architect.

3. As to the suggestions made in paragraph 5 of Major Morant's letter, the Court considers that it is very essential that light and ventilation should be secured in the manner proposed.

4. The only other change that the Court recommends is that the vakils' and Nazarat rooms should be enlarged from 14½ to 17 feet, the Judge's room, if necessary, being correspondingly reduced.

5. Subject to the above modifications, the Judges would accept the present plan as the standard design to work on. They, however, wish it still to be borne in mind that in the construction of a Court-house for a Sub-Judge or District Munsif, local peculiarities and requirements should always be attended to, and that the present design, which will answer very well for a first-class Munsif's court, will be more expensive than is necessary for many Munsif's courts.

No. 1620, Judicial.

Forwarded to the Public Works Department. Their attention is drawn to paragraphs 2, 4 and 5 of the Registrar's letter.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,
22nd July 1884.

(Signed)

M. HAMMICK,
Ag. Under Secretary.

ORDER—dated 29th July 1884, No. 1837 W., Public Works.

The Consulting Architect will now frame a type design embodying the suggestions of the High Court. This design will, on approval, be circulated for general information, accompanied by a specification, and schedule of quantities.

2. With reference to paragraph 5 of the letter from the Registrar of the High Court, No. 1931, dated 11th July 1884, it is observed that, under G.O., No. 2543 W., dated 28th September 1882, type designs are liable to modification to suit local requirements.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Architect, with plan.
„ Superintending Engineers.
„ the Judicial Department.

Encl. A. F. Aaron.
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G.O., 29th July 1884, No. 1837 W.

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Sub-Judge's or District
Munsif's Court

Ordering, with remarks, preparation of a
type design for a —.

I enclose the following report:—

P. W. D.

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Consulting Architect's Office,
Chepauk, Madras,

28th November 1883.

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From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras.

To

The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

In,

Enclosures.

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Your most obedt. servant.

J. H. Morant.

Major R. E.

Offg. Consulting Architect to Govt.

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C. Munier, Esq. M.A. &c.
Under Secretary to
Govt. P. W. Dept.

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From
THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
To
The Chief Engineer,
P. W. D.

No. 1119

Dated 28th November 1883
Received

No. of ENCLOSURES. 1

Subject.

Submits design for Sub Judge
and District Munsiff with
terrace roofing for approval.

G.O. dated 25th Jan 1884, No 133.
High Court of Judicature,
Madras, 16th January
1884.
From 1837/24

J. A. Davies Esquire
Acting Registrar of the
High Court of Judicature
at Madras.

To
The Honourable E. J. Webster,
Chief Secretary
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I have the honor to be,
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Your most Obedient Servant,

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Acting Registrar,
Appellate Side.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following *Exhibit*

from the P.W.D. N^o 2401.C dated 3rd December 1883.

Letter from the Ag. Registrar of the High Court, N^o 133, dated 16th January 1884.

Subject — design for Sub Judge or District Munsiff's Court.

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Order thereon 25th January 1884, No. 224 P.W.D.

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J. D. Macleod
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To

The Public Works Department,

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C. Bowen. Major R.E.
Under-Secretary to Govt.
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To

The P.W. Dept

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Proceedings, dated 27/1 1884
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Subject.

Design for sub-judge
or District Munsiff's
Court.

Referred

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Consulting Architect's Office,
Chapall, Madras.

2nd February, 1884

No. 1450

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From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

In

Enclosures.

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With reference to your endorsement No. 223 b
dated 30th ultimo on Judicial Department G.O. No.
224 dated 26th January 1884, requesting my remarks
on the suggestions of the High Court on the proposed
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Offg. Comdg. Archt. to Government.

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Roads and Buildings.

From

THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

*The Chief Engineer,
P. W. D.*

No. 1450

Dated 2nd February 1884

Received

No. OF ENCLOSURES. 2

Subject.

*Remarks on the suggestions
of the High Court on the proposed
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Public Works Department

Madras/2nd February 1884

No. 323 C

MEMORANDUM.

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To
The Judicial Department
with papers in original.

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N^o 748.

G.O. dated 12th March 1884. No. 69, Judicial. 12

High Court of Judicature,

Madras, 4th March 1884

From,

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J. S. Davis
Ag. Registrar,
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

From the Public Works Department, dated 12th
February 1884 No. 323C.
From the Registrar, High Court, Madras, dated
4th March 1884 No. 748.

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Order ^{dated} 12th March 1884 No. 1671
The letter from the High Court
will be communicated to the Public
Works Department for any further
action they may think necessary.
The plan submitted seems open to
further modification.
(True Extract)

M. M. M.
Asst. Secy.

To
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The Public Works Department,
with original papers to be returned.

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Forwarded to
the Consulting Architect
to Govt. who will submit
a fresh design on the
lines indicated by the
High Court

(By order)

C. Chavlen. Major R.R.
Under Secretary for
P. W. Dept.

Govt. of 1881 Madras.

To

The M.D.

Proceedings, dated 12/27 1884
No. 671 M.

Subject.

Copy letter from the
H.C. regarding standard
plan for a Sub Judge's
or District Munsiff's Court

Endorsed

P. W. D.

Consulting Architect's Office,
Chapauk, Madras,
30th May 1884.

No. 322

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From

The Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

To,

Enclosures.

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In reply to your endorsement No. 729 C dated 24th
March 1884 and Proceedings of the Madras Government
Judicial Department No. 671 M dated 12th Idem
relating to a standard Plan for a Sub Judge's
or District Munsiff's Court, I have the honor to submit
a fresh design, embodying the proposals of the
Honorable the Judges of the High Court, whose
suggestions have been carefully attended to.

2. The design now submitted provides the follow-
ing accommodation-

- 1 Court 40 by 22 feet
- 1 Head Clerk's Room 20 by 18 feet.
- 1 Gamashai's Room 30 by 18 feet
- 1 Judges Retiring room 20 by 18 feet.
- 1 Vakils Room 18 by 14½ feet.
- 1 Nazir at Establishment Room 18 by 14½ feet
- 1 Record Room 13½ feet square and 17 feet high.

1 Property Room 22 by 14 feet

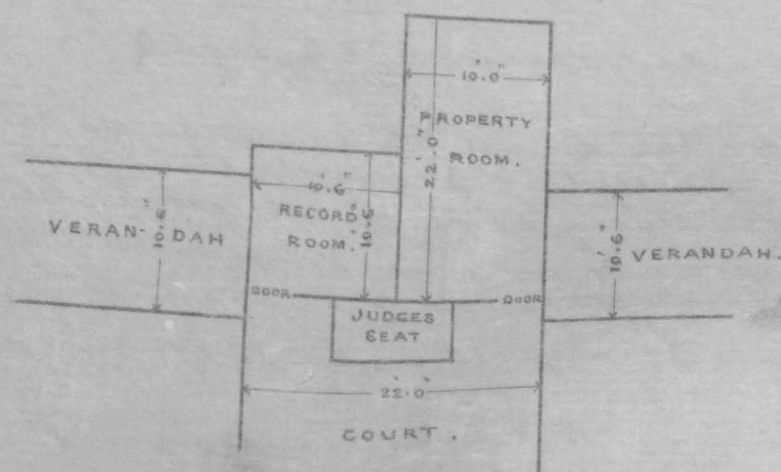
2 Lamp and W.C. Rooms each 9 ft square

[The copyists can perhaps be best accommodated in the Gomasthas room which is large.]

1 Muntapam 40 by 22 feet and

1 Latrine for 4 men and 2 women 25 by 13 feet

3. The Record and Property Rooms can, if considered preferable, be both placed in rear of the Court and touching it thus:-



their sizes will then be.

Record Room 10½ feet square and 17 ft high

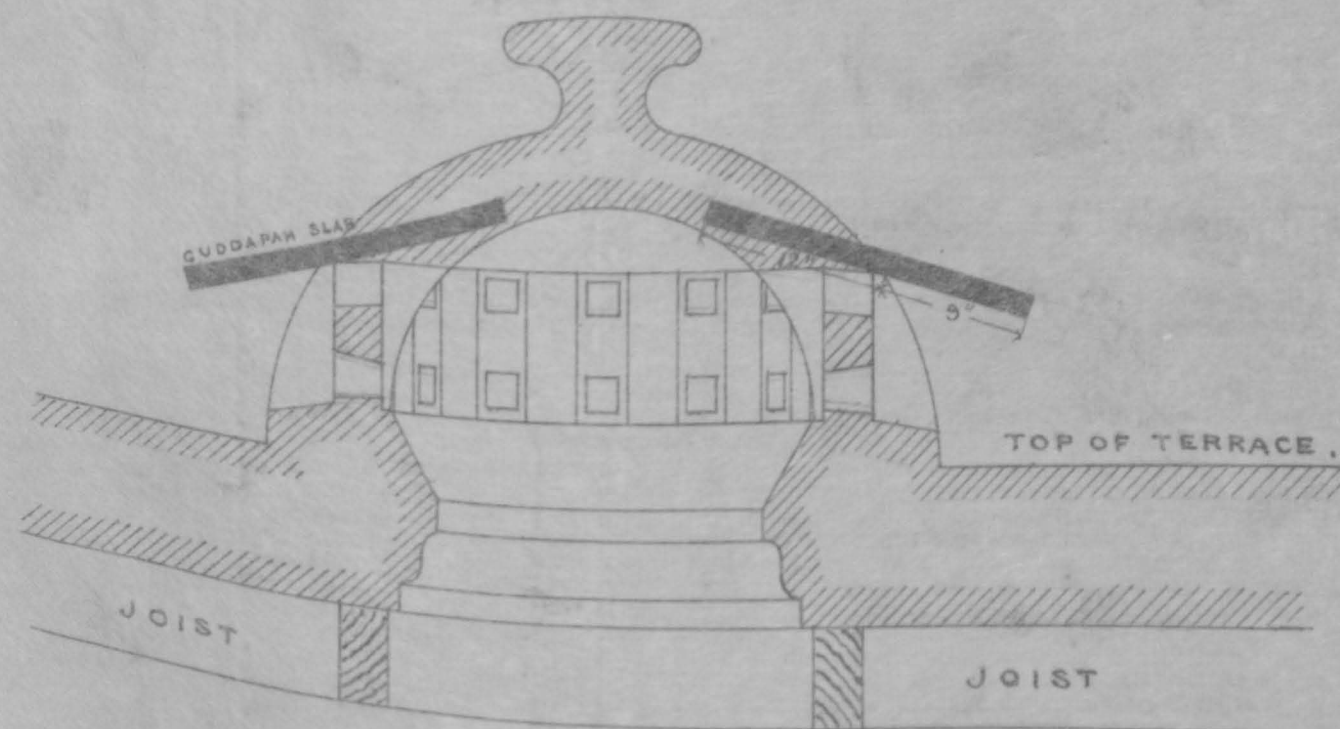
Property Room 22 by 10½ feet.

And the two wings of the building, as viewed from the front, will then be symmetrical.

4. The design provides for the usual verandahs. And the rooms of the building are still further protected from the sun by stone slabs colored blue in the drawing projecting both beyond the verandahs and over the clear storey ventilators. Under cover of these

slabs permanent ventilation can easily be arranged. The space which these projections shade is shewn by dotted lines on the ground plans of all the buildings.

5. The small dome over the roof of the Muntapam and the still smaller ones over that of the latrine are for giving light and ventilation by apertures in their sides; these are hidden from view in the plans now sent by the parapet wall. If thought desirable similar domical skylights could be placed over the Court to increase its ventilation and, were this also required, its light. The section below explains the construction of these ventilators.



b. The enclosures in your endorsement are

are herewith returned.

I have the honor to be

Dear Sir

Your most obedt. servt.

John Morant.

Major P.C.

Offg Comd. Archt. to Govt.

P.S.

It may perhaps be as well to add that no plaster is intended to be used in any portion of the exterior of the building. The exterior decorative features are proposed to be formed of unplastered brick, stone or terracotta.

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Cotnamund, June 6, 1884
 No. 238 E.

Referred for the approval
 of the Honourable the
 Judges of the High Court, and
 of Government in the Judicial Dept.

2. Attention is drawn to the
 proposals in paras 3 and 5 of the
 Consulting Architects' letter.
 M. M. M. M. M.

b.b. 84. Colonel R.E.
 Secretary to Govt. Judicial Dept.

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To
 The Chief Secretary to Govt,
 Judicial Department
 3-6-84

P. W. D.
 Roads and Buildings.
 L. No. 9079/84
 From
 THE CONSULTING ARCHITECT
 TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To
 The Chief Engineer P.W.D.

No. 322
 Dated 30th May 1884
 Received

No. of ENCLOSURES. 2.

Subject.

Submits a fresh design
 for a Sub Judge's or District
 Munsiff's Court.

Referred

No. 1931.
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 High Court of Judicature
 Madras, 11th July 1884
 From
 J. A. Davies Esq. Esq.
 Reg. Registrar of the High Court
 of Judicature at Madras.
 The Honourable E. F. Webster,
 Chief Secretary to Government.
 Sir,
 In reply to the order of Government
 dated 16th June 1884, No. 500, Miscellaneous
 forwarding for the approval of the
 Honourable the Judges of this Court
 a letter from the Consulting Architect
 to Government, dated 30th May 1884,
 No. 322, relative to a fresh design
 for a Subordinate Judge's or District
 Munsiff's Court, prepared with
 reference to the proposals contained
 in my letter of the 1st March last,
 No. 445, I am directed to state that
 the Judges consider the present is
 a great improvement on the former plan.

2. With reference to the suggestion made by the Consulting Architect in para 3 of his letter as to the situation of the Record Room, the Honourable the Chief Justice is of opinion that it would be as well to bear the proposal in mind as an alternative arrangement and that uniformity in the wings of a building is not always desirable, but Mr. Justices Hutchins and Grandt think it preferable to locate the record room ^{mean the proposed position} at the back as proposed by the Consulting Architect.

3. As to the suggestions made in para 5 of Major Morant's letter, the Court considers that it is very essential that light and ventilation should be secured in the manner proposed.

4. The only other change that the Court recommends is that the Vakils and Nazarat rooms should be enlarged from $14\frac{1}{2}$ to 17 feet, the

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Judge's room, if necessary, being correspondingly reduced.

5. Subject to the above modifications, the Judges would accept the present plan as the standard design to work on. They, however, wish it still to be borne in mind that in the construction of a Court-house for a Sub-Judge or District Munsif, local peculiarities and requirements should always be attended to and that the present design which will answer very well for a first class Munsifs' Court, will be more expensive than is necessary for many Munsifs' Courts.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. S. W. is
ag. Registrar,
Appellate Sds.

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HON'BLE MEMBER.

19/7/84

Forwarded
 to the Public Works
 Department. Their
 attention is drawn
 to paras 2, 4 and 5 of
 the Registrar's letter.

(By order)

M. M. M. M.
 Asst. Under Secretary

16/7/84

CURRENT No.
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FROM

THE REGISTRAR OF THE HIGH COURT
 OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS.
 Appellate Side.

Dated 11th

Received

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No. 1931.

Enq. Secy.

(C. W. 11922 - 11923)

Approving with slight
 modifications the letter
 submitted by the Consulting
 Architect to Government
 relative to a fresh
 design for a Sub. Judge's
 or District Judge's Court

with order

HON'BLE MEMBER

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No. 1837W P.W. Department

Proceedings of the Madras Government

under date the 29th July/84

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Letter from the Consy. Archt. to Govt. N. No. 1119 of 28 Nov/83
 Letter from the Registrar of the High Court ... 133 of 16 January/84
 Pros. of the Judicial Department ... 224. Mis. of 25 Jan/84
 Letter from the Consy. Archt. to Govt. ... 1450 of 2nd Feb/84
 Letter from the Registrar of the High Court ... 323C of 12 March/84
 Pros. of the Judicial Department ... 748 of 4 March/84
 Letter from the Consy. Archt. to Govt. ... 691 Mis. of 12 March/84
 Letter from the Registrar of the High Court ... 322 of 30 May/84
 Letter from the Registrar of the High Court ... 1931 of 11 July/84
 Order thereon by the Judicial Dept. ... 1620 of 22 July/84

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 type design embodying the
 suggestions of the High
 Court. This design will, on
 approval, be circulated for
 general information.

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accompanied by a specification, and schedule of quantities.

With reference to para. 5 of the letter from the Registrar of the High Court N^o 1931 d/11 July/84, it is observed that, under G.O. 2543. Wd/28 September 1882, type designs are liable to modification to suit local requirements.

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